

eAgenda

February 7, 2013 Special Meeting

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY

Special Meeting – February 7, 2013
3:30 p.m.
School Board Room
4204 Okeechobee Road, Fort Pierce, FL 34947

AGENDA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Chairman Hawley)

1. [Call to Order](#)

Minutes:

The School Board of St. Lucie County held a Special Meeting in the School Board Room on February 7, 2013, at approximately 3:30 p.m. Members present were Chairman Debbie Hawley (residing in District No. 1), Vice Chairman Donna Mills (residing in District No. 3), Member Kathryn Hensley (residing in District No. 4), Member Carol A. Hilson (residing in District No. 2), and Member Troy Ingersoll (residing in District No. 5). School Board Attorney Daniel B. Harrell also attended the meeting.

Chairman Hawley called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING (None)

CONSENT AGENDA (None)

OTHER BUSINESS (Superintendent Search)

2. [Review of Request for Proposal \(RFP\) for Superintendent Search Services \(Revised\)](#)

Minutes:

Upon receiving notification that Superintendent Michael Lannon planned to retire in June 2013, the Board decided to seek professional services in conducting a search for the new Superintendent. On January 25, 2013, the District's Purchasing Department released a Request for Proposal (RFP) that was due on February 4, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. for Superintendent Search Services. Two proposals were received and submitted for Board consideration, one from McPherson & Jacobson, L. L. C. in Nebraska (total fee for services \$29,500 plus expenses), and one from Ray and Associates, Inc. in Iowa (total fee for services \$35,200).

Chairman Hawley outlined options to accept/reject the two RFPs and invited board members to exchange views relative to each proposal. It was noted that both were parallel in many ways, e.g., both companies were highly recommended, had national experience, and charged similar fees. But both proposals did not appear to involve the community and lacked transparency. It also appeared that both proposals might require more of staff time than was desired. Discussion on the two RFPs ended and the following Board action was taken.

Motions:

There was a motion to reject the two proposals and move forward with Board selection of professional (consulting) services for the superintendent search. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: TROY INGERSOLL

Second: KATHRYN HENSLEY

DEBORAH HAWLEY - Aye

KATHRYN HENSLEY - Aye

CAROL HILSON - Aye

TROY INGERSOLL - Aye

DONNA MILLS - Aye

3. [Selection of Consultant](#)

Minutes:

Following Board action to reject the two RFPS, Chairman Hawley directed everyone's attention to the fact that there had been several entities who had assisted in prior superintendent searches that could be contacted. She talked about the need for transparency and the need to involve all segments of the community in this process. Board members agreed it would be helpful to reach out to people or organizations that were known to the district and who, likewise, were familiar with the district and community. Consultant Jim Huge and Florida School Boards Association (FSBA) were mentioned as possible candidates for consulting services.

It was agreed that Chairman Hawley would inquire of companies/individuals who had expertise and knowledge of St. Lucie County and set up a form of communication for the interview process (at their expense if travel is involved). Mrs. Hawley agreed to inform the Board of a date certain for interviews within the next week.

Motions:

There was a motion to seek professional services for the superintendent search with an individual or company. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: KATHRYN HENSLEY

Second: DONNA MILLS

DEBORAH HAWLEY - Aye

KATHRYN HENSLEY - Aye

CAROL HILSON - Aye

TROY INGERSOLL - Aye

DONNA MILLS - Aye

ADJOURNMENT

4. [Time Adjourned: 3:50 p.m. \(Revised\)](#)

Minutes: There was no further discussion, consequently, the February 7, 2013 Special Meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:50 p.m.

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