

ORLANDO, FLORIDA
November 19, 2002

The School Board of Orange County, Florida, met in special session on Tuesday, November 19, 2002, at 8:45 p.m. Present were: Susan Landis Arkin, chairman; Judge Richardson Roach, vice chairman; Barbara Trovillion Rushing; Berton R. Carrier; Linda Sutherland, Karen Ardaman and Kathleen "Kat" Gordon, school board members; Henry R. Boekhoff, chief financial officer; Frank C. Kruppenbacher and Andrew B. Thomas, school board attorneys; and Ronald Blocker, superintendent.

The meeting was called for the purpose of installing new and returning school board members and conducting the reorganization of the school board.

Ms. Arkin called the meeting to order.

The Reverend Canon Nelson W. Pinder delivered the invocation.

The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Honorable George Sprinkel IV Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, was called forward to administer the oath to new board members Joie W. Cadle and Timothy R. Shea and to Judge Richardson Roach, returning board member.

Mrs. Arkin commented on outgoing board members Mrs. Rushing and Mrs. Sutherland and presented each with a token of appreciation. Mrs. Rushing and Mrs. Sutherland expressed their appreciation and commented on their years on the board and with Orange County Public Schools.

Mr. Carrier commented on the outgoing chairman, Mrs. Arkin, and presented her with a token of appreciation.

Mrs. Arkin passed the gavel to Mr. Blocker who conducted the reorganization portion of the meeting.

Election of Chairman of the Board: Mr. Blocker opened the floor for nominations for chairman. Mrs. Arkin nominated Mr. Carrier, seconded by Mrs. Gordon. Mr. Shea nominated Mr. Roach, seconded by Mrs. Cadle.

There being no further nominations, it was moved by Mrs. Arkin seconded by Mrs. Gordon to close the nominations. By a show of hands, there were three votes for Mr. Carrier and four votes for Mr. Roach.

Election of Vice Chairman of the Board: Mr. Blocker opened the floor for nominations for vice chairman. Mr. Shea nominated Mrs. Ardaman, seconded by Mr. Roach. Mr. Carrier nominated Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Gordon declined the nomination.

There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. The motion passed.

Mr. Roach expressed his appreciation. He welcomed Mrs. Ardaman as vice chairman and stated that he would like to see her play an active role in the position.

Mrs. Ardaman congratulated Mr. Roach. She added that she was looking forward to seeing what would evolve over the next year and thanked the board members for their show of confidence in her as vice chairman.

Establishment of Dates and Times for School Board Meetings: It was moved by Mrs. Cadle and seconded by Mrs. Arkin that the dates and times for the 2002-2003 board meetings as listed below be approved.

December 10, 2002	June 10, 2003
January 14, 2003	June 24, 2003
January 28, 2003	July 29, 2003
February 11, 2003	August 12, 2003
February 25, 2003	August 26, 2003
March 11, 2003	September 9, 2003
April 15, 2003	September 23, 2003
April 22, 2003	October 14, 2003
May 13, 2003	October 28, 2003
May 27, 2003	November 18, 2003
	Meeting 5:30 p.m. & reorganization 7:00 p.m.)

The motion passed unanimously and Mr. Blocker passed the gavel to Mr. Roach.

Request Approval for Authorization for Advertisement for Action at the December 10, 2002 Regular Meeting of The School Board of the Determination of the Salary of District School Board Members Elected or Re-Elected at the November, 2002 General Election of an Annual Salary Not to Exceed \$36,338.00: Mr. Blocker stated that the board would be approving the advertisement of the salary for board members. The actual on the salaries would not be made until the December 10th meeting.

At the request of Mr. Blocker, Mr. Kruppenbacher provided further clarification.

Mr. Kruppenbacher explained that the statute had been changed by the legislature. Prior to this year, school board salaries were set automatically by the state. Starting this year, the school board will set the salaries for the new and re-elected board members.

Mrs. Ardaman asked for clarification on how the statute affected current board members' salaries and if the board members could choose to lower these salaries.

Mr. Kruppenbacher stated the amount to advertise was for the newly-elected board members. The remaining board members salaries would be set under the Chapter 145.10 formula that Dr. Boekhoff compiled each year by which the law prescribed.

There was discussion by board members.

Mrs. Arkin stated that, as one of the four board members' who was not a part of the election cycle, all salaries should be set at the same level.

It was moved by Mrs. Arkin and seconded by Mrs. Ardaman that salaries for all members be at the level of a beginning teacher.

Mrs. Arkin stated that the salary for a 10-month teaching position with a bachelor's degree was currently \$30,405.

There was discussion by board members.

It was moved by Mrs. Gordon and seconded by Mrs. Cadle that the motion be amended to earmark the savings for the schools.

Mrs. Arkin suggested that the crucial decision for the board was the ad for a salary. Any other issues could be discussed at a later time.

Mrs. Gordon withdrew her motion for the amendment and Mrs. Cadle withdrew her second.

The motion passed 6-2 (with Mrs. Gordon and Mr. Carrier voting no).

Pastor Spencer Pfeleiderer, The Gathering Community Church, delivered the benediction

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

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