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Treasure Coast University School, Inc. Advisory Board Meeting
Friday, March 12, 2010
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM
Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition

I. Call to Order/ Approval of Agenda
Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair
Call to order made by Ms. Deborah Hawley at 3:06 PM.

Motion – Motion made by Dr. Valerie Bristor to approve the agenda
Second – Seconded by Dr. Jack Scott
Unanimous Approval

II. Welcome
Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair
Board Members present:
Ms. Deborah Hawley, St. Lucie Business/Citizen Representative, Chair
Dr. Jack Scott, Florida Atlantic University, Professor, COE
Ms. Sandy Wolfe, St. Lucie County School District, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Valerie Bristor, Florida Atlantic University, Dean & Professor, COE

Board Members not present:
Mr. Joe Smith, St. Lucie County, Clerk of the Court
Dr. Eliah Watlington, Florida Atlantic University, Associate Dean, Northern Campuses
Ms. Anika Hardmon, Palm Pointe/Parent Representative

Others who were present:
Mr. Glenn Thomas, Florida Atlantic University, Asst. Dean, PK-12 Schools and Programs; CEO, TCUS
Ms. Debra Snyder, Principal, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition
Ms. D’Jion Jackson-Harris, Assistant Principal, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition
Ms. Lydia Martin, Assistant Principal, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition
Ms. Debbie Kohuth, Professional Development/SLCSB, Math Coordinator
Mr. Marty Sanders, Executive Director, Growth Management and Intergovernmental Relations
Mr. Tuck Aaker, Chair, Tradition Team Immanuel Lutheran Church
Reverend Sean Forde, Pastor, Living Waters Lutheran Church and School
Ms. Alphenia Shine, Administrator, Immanuel Lutheran Church
Mr. Eric Henik, Plant Manager, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition

III. Introductions
Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair
None

IV. Approval of Minutes
Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair
Approval of the minutes was tabled to the April 16th meeting.

V. Recognitions and Awards
Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair
Ms. Sandy Wolfe thanked Palm Pointe for hosting visitors and noted the important vision that Palm Pointe developed for classroom instruction. She would like to recognize Palm Pointe at a St. Lucie County Board meeting for its high quality work.
Ms. Debbie Hawley mentioned there is a direct correlation between the work Dr. Roberts has done and what Palm Pointe is currently doing. The chairman also recognized Palm Pointe for receiving a certificate from the state for “A” school status.

VI. **Principal’s Report**

Ms. Deborah Snyder, Principal

Ms. Snyder reported the school recently hosted visitors from Columbia, South America. She also mentioned numerous district awards received by students and the school.

Ms. Martin reported FCAT testing was effective and smooth.

Ms. Jackson updated the Board on the current recruitment efforts. She mentioned going to local churches, VPK centers and other community centers. A suggestion was made to have enrollment procedures in Creole and Spanish developed and available early in the recruitment timeline.

VII. **CEO’s Report**

Mr. Glenn Thomas, CEO

Mr. Glenn Thomas updated the Board on the current applications for the 2010 lottery. He also reminded the Board of the changes in the federal and state student demographic reporting framework. The Florida Department of Education is completing a report to be used in the lottery process.

VIII. **Action Items**

Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair

None

IX. **Discussion Items**

Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair

Mr. Erik Henik expressed concern about Palm Pointe maintenance staff using cones to block the road for traffic control.

Mr. Marty Sanders clarified Palm Pointe’s responsibility for actions occurring on campus. The St. Lucie County School District has noted the local government is responsible for any road closures. Mr. Sanders suggested having crosswalks painted and enforce their use. Core Communities has agreed to paint the crosswalks and extend the agreement to the Sheriff’s department for enforcing the rules on the private roads.

Dr. Scott suggested conducting a “safety week” to promote school safety.

X. **Old Business**

Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair

Mr. Thomas updated the Board on the current status of funding and additions for the FEFP. Mr. Thomas will bring a complete report to the April board meeting.

XI. **Public Comment**

Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair

Reverend Forde of Living Water Lutheran Church and School in Palm City presented a request to use Palm Pointe as a meeting place for their developing church with a goal to develop a community of worship.

XII. **Announcement, Communications, and Board Comments**

Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair

None

XIII. **Adjournment**

Ms. Deborah Hawley, Chair

Meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Deborah Hawley at 4:44 pm.