

FAU-Treasure Coast University School, Inc. Special Budget Board Meeting
Friday, August 21, 2015
1:30pm
Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition
10680 Academic Way
Port St. Lucie, FL 34987

I Call to Order/Approval of Close Agenda

Call to order made by Ms. Deborah Hawley at 1:30 p.m.

Motion-Motion to approve the agenda made by Dr. Valerie Bristor

Second-seconded a motion to approve the agenda made by Mr. Roderick Natta

Motion passed unanimously

II. Board members present:

Dr. Valerie Bristor, Florida Atlantic University, Dean & Professor, COE

Ms. Deborah Hawley, St. Lucie Business/Citizen Representative, Chair

Dr. Joel Herbst, Florida Atlantic University, Asst. Dean, PK-12 Schools and Programs: CEO,
TCUS

Dr. Al Jurenas, Florida Atlantic University, Professor, COE

Mr. Roderick Natta, Palm Pointe/Parent Representative

Ms. Kerry Padrick, St. Lucie County School District, Chief Communications Officer,
Superintendent Designee

Dr. Eliah j. Watlington, Florida Atlantic University, Associate Provost, Northern Campuses

Board Member Dr. Eliah Watlington arrived at the meeting and took her seat at 1:35 p.m.

A quorum was present

Board Members not present

Mr. Max Kernick, Palm Pointe/Parent Representative

Dr. Jack Scott, Florida Atlantic University, Professor, COE

Mr. Joe Smith, St. Lucie County, Clerk of Court

Others who were present:

Ms. Debra Snyder, Principal, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition

Mr. Maurizio Apostolico, Technology Teacher, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @
Tradition

Ms. Deborah Iseman, Assistant Principal, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition

Ms. Kathleen Perez, Assistant Principal, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @ Tradition

Mr. Tim Barger, St. Lucie County School District, Chief Finance Officer

Ms. Rachel Koenig, Instructional Coach, Palm Pointe Educational Research School @
Tradition

Ms. Dana Schang, St. Lucie County School District, Accountant

Ms. Ibis Villasuso, Recording Secretary

III. Introductions

Ms. Debra Hawley introduced new board member, Ms. Kerry Padrick, Chief Communications Officer replacing Ms. Sandra Wolfe

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the April 10, 2015 minutes passed

Motion- Approval of minutes was made by Mr. Roderick Natta

Second- Seconded by Dr. Eliah j. Watlington

Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

V. Recognitions and Awards

None

VI. CEO Reports

1. Dr. Herbst provided information on the SUS Developmental Research Schools-local tax millage equivalent for 2015-16 fiscal year. The funds represent the revenues generated by the non-voted discretionary millage in the district within which the school is located and that would have been allocated to the university developmental research school by the district. The financial impact is \$991,501.

Motion-Motion to approve was made by Mr. Roderick Natta

Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr. Eliah j. Watlington

Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

2. Dr. Herbst presented and seeks board members to review the 2015-16 projected Charter Capital Outlay Plan FAU/SLCSD Palm Pointe Research. The financial projected cost is \$425,000.

Motion-Motion to approve Charter Capital outlay was made by Dr. Valerie Bristor

Second-Seconded motion to approve by Mr. Roderick Natta

Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

3. Dr. Herbst provided information about the annual update of the Certificate of Participation, Series 2007. This financial piece covers the 2015-16 annual debt service, local tax millage equivalent, Charter School Capital outlay projection and debt service deficit.

Motion-Motion to approve was made by Dr. Eliah j. Watlington

Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr. Albert Jurenas

Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

4. Dr. Herbst seeks board members to review and approve the Palm Pointe Educational Research School at Tradition utilization of 2015 Digital Classroom Allocation. Mr. Maurizio Apostolico presented a power point and detail of the technology Plan for Palm Pointe such as purchase of 250 Dell Laptops, 10 Carts, Panasonic projectors, 24 Dell OptiPlex desktop and 50 Elmo Document camera. The financial impact is \$261,594

Motion- Motion to approve was made by Dr. Valerie Bristor

Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr. Roderick Natta

Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

5. Dr. Herbst provided information of the Treasure Coast University Schools, Inc. Charter Board Liability Insurance. The financial impact is \$8,805.81
Motion-Motion to approve was made by Dr. Valerie Bristor
Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr. Roderick Natta
Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

6. Dr. Herbst informed and asked member to approve Palm Pointe Educational Research School, Food Service Contract. This is a requirement of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) sponsored National School Lunch Program, the National School Breakfast Program, and the After School Snack Program. No financial impact.
Motion-Motion to approve was made by Dr. Eliah j. Watlington
Second-Seconded motion to approve by Mr. Roderick Natta
Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

7. Dr. Herbst shared information and request to adopt the 2015-16 Palm Pointe Educational Research School Annual Budget. The financial impact is \$11,308,855.13, this is in accordance with FS 1002.33 the governing board of the charter school shall annually adopt and maintain an operating budget.
Motion-Motion to approve was made by Mr. Roderick Natta
Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr Valerie Bristor
Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

8. Dr. Herbst provided information for board to review and approve the FAU-TCUS/Lab School projected contracted service budget 2015-16. The financial impact is \$170,897. 28
Motion-Motion to approve was made by Dr. Valerie Bristor
Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr. Eliah j. Watlington
Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

9. Dr. Herbst shared and asked for approve renewal of independent accountant's report on applying agreed-upon procedures for 2014-15. The renewal of contracted services with Gerstle, Rosen & Goldenberg, P.A. not to exceed \$15,500.00
Motion-Motion to approve was made by Dr. Albert Jurenas
Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr. Valerie Bristor
Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

10. Dr. Herbst request to approve the 2015-16 K-12 Comprehensive Reading Plan for Palm Pointe Educational Research School at Tradition. Principal Snyder and Ms. Kathleen Perez shared detail on the K-12 Comprehensive Reading Research and Ms. Rachel Koenig helped in the Reading Plan Guidance. Plan was written, submitted and approved by the Florida Department of Education on July 13, 2015. Dr. Herbst applaud Palm Pointe for creativity. The financial impact is \$174,429.00.
Motion-Motion to approve Reading Budget plan was made by Dr. Eliah j. Watlington
Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr Albert Jurenas
Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

11. Dr. Herbst request approval of the use of General Reserve Funding in order to improve Palm Pointe Educational Research School at Tradition Wireless Network Infrastructure. Mr.

Maurizio Apostolico added detail of why updating the wireless infrastructure at Palm Pointe is needed in order to bring our network up to speed for current wireless standards. Since Palm Pointe's vision is aligned with that of St. Lucie County, we are working to achieve a one-to-one technology model for our students, as we are increasing the amount of laptops that students are able to use at one time. The financial impact is \$194,920.00

Motion-Motion to approve Wireless Network Infrastructure was made by Mr. Roderick Natta

Second-Seconded motion to approve by Dr. Valerie Bristor

Motion passed on a 6-0 vote

Principal's Special Report

1. Ms. Debbie Snyder shared data report about 5th and 8th grade Science, Civic and Algebra I status and target goal for the academic year.
2. Ms. Kathleen Perez, presented on the Reading plan overview.
3. Mr. Maurizio Apostolico, presented on the Technology Plan overview and Technology infrastructure needs.
4. Dr. Herbst informed about a request to consider a Pilot Study for Instrument Calibration
5. Dr. Herbst met with Mr. Gent regarding School Accountability Grade transfer to St. Lucie Public Schools. This is currently under legal review for any barrier for TCUS.
6. Dr. Herbst shared Florida Atlantic University Educational Leadership Cohort plans for Reading and Math for St. Lucie School District teachers and is being headed by Dr. Robert Shockley and Mr. John Prinz. Dr. Herbst hope to share legal and financial piece soon on next TCUS meeting.

VII Discussion Items

VIII Old Business
None

IX. Public Comment

X Announcements, Communications, Board Comments

XI Adjournment
Chairperson Ms. Hawley adjourned the meeting at 2:11 p.m.