



School Board of Clay County

District multi-Purpose Center, Green Cove Springs (Corner of Walnut Street and Gratio Place) - not open to physical public attendance

May 14, 2020 - School Board Workshop

Date: May 14 2020 (9:30 a.m.)

Invocation (Tina Bullock)

Call to Order (Present: Janice Kerekes, District 1; Carol Studdard, District 2; Tina Bullock, District 3; Mary Bolla, District 4; Ashley Gilhousen, District 5; and Superintendent David Broskie)

Workshop Items

1. Discuss and determine direction for amendment/re-write of the School District purchasing policy.

Minutes:

This item (#1 on agenda) was addressed second by the board. Discussion included revising School Board Purchasing Policy 5.02 to ensure compliance with federal regulations and state statutes, identify extent of purchasing authority given to the superintendent and superintendent's designee, provide consistency re who has the authority to execute contracts, and to ensure policy is clearly defined, communicated, and enforced.

School Board Attorney, Mr. Bickner, will submit proposed policy revisions to the board for consideration as a workshop item on the June 16th workshop/agenda review, with the intent of advertising policy on the June 25th agenda and holding the public hearing/adoption of policy revisions on the August 6th agenda.

2. Discuss requests for school safety officers from charter schools within the School District, including, but not limited to, obligations of District, legal issues, feasibility, scope of services and financial considerations.

Minutes:

This item (#2 on agenda) was addressed first by the board. There is an ongoing request from St. Johns Classical Academy and a more recent request from legal representation of the parent company to Clay Charter Academy for the district to provide school safety officers to their respective campuses. Discussion included current statutory language mandating jurisdictional restrictions that prohibit school safety officers from accessing the private property of charter schools. Consultation with the Department of Education supports the district's position that it is precluded by law from providing officers to operate on private property.

Under the current statute, the district is not legally obligated to provide officers to the charter schools. Each charter is receiving safe school funds that they have been utilizing to provide for security at their schools.

The board concluded that the district is not denying the charter schools access to all available legal options and that supplying school safety officers to the charter schools is precluded by law. The district will take no action at this time. The superintendent will provide a written response to both charter schools' requests.

Questions from the Audience (None submitted via comment link on website)

Superintendent Comments

School Board Comments

Adjournment (11:46 a.m.)

Superintendent of Schools

School Board Chair