

ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: August 27, 2012

AGENDA ITEM No. 12-08-(2)-11

ACTION ITEM: (Y/N) N

SUBJECT: Collaboration Meeting Agenda Topics Discussion

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft Meeting Plan for the County/Schools Collaboration Work Group – August 28, 2012.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is to allow the Board of Education the opportunity to discuss the upcoming collaboration meeting scheduled for August 28, 2012.

BACKGROUND: The next collaboration meeting with the Board of County Commissioners and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools is scheduled for Tuesday, August 28, 2012. The attached proposed meeting plan has been provided by Facilitator Andy Sachs.

Topics include:

- 1) Multi-year strategy for education funding;
- 2) School fund balance policy;
- 3) SAPFO and CAPs;
- 4) SAPFO and Pre-K classrooms.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: There are no direct financial impacts related to the discussion. There may be financial impacts associated with future action by the Board or County Commissioners or Board of Education.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education discuss topics associated with the August 28 collaboration meeting and provide any relevant input.

Draft Meeting Plan for the County/Schools Collaboration Work Group

Tuesday, August 28, 2012

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Lincoln Center, Chapel Hill

Expected Attendees (15): Work Group Members (9): Michelle Brownstein, Mia Burroughs, Frank Clifton, Donna Coffey, Tom Forcella, Pam Hemminger, Steve Halkiotis, Bernadette Pelissier, Patrick Rhodes. Staff (6): Clarence Grier, Todd LoFrese, George McFarley, Jr., Michael Talbert, Greg Wilder, Andy Sachs (facilitator).

Proposed Agenda

4:00 Convene

- Introductions, as needed.
- Review proposed Desired Outcomes and Agenda for today's meeting.

4:10 Multi-year strategy for education funding

The group will receive and discuss the analysis that the three jurisdictions' finance staffs were asked to develop in the May 31, 2012 Work Group meeting.

4:40 School fund balance policy

Mr. Grier will proposed revised terminology for the policy, as agreed during the May 31 Work Group meeting.

4:55 SAPFO and CAPs

Discussion on what's been learned since the last meeting and what shared goal(s), if any, to set for collaborating around SAPFO. Background: At the May 31 Work Group meeting, Ms. Burroughs said that she would schedule a meeting with the mayors of Chapel Hill and Carrboro to discuss this matter. Commissioners Pelissier and Hemminger suggested that they would raise the issue in a meeting they were going to have with the Mebane mayor and mayor pro tem. In addition, Mr. Clifton asked CHCCS to ask the Town attorneys whether the school administrators are interpreting SAPFO the only way it can be interpreted with respect to how much flexibility the district has in deciding to deny CAPs.

5:20 SAPFO and Pre-K Classrooms

The three chairs had committed to returning to the Collaboration Work Group with a joint plan.

5:45 Wrap Up

Agenda items and date(s) for any next Work Group meeting.

6:00 Adjourn

Work Group Ground Rules (adopted 1/27/04, amended 4/9/07)

- One speaker at a time.
- Stick to task and topic.
- Listen attentively to the speaker.
- Share the floor.
- It is OK to disagree...please do so respectfully.
- Raise and discuss new ideas, doubts and differences with the group before going public.
- Decisions will be made within this group by unanimous consent among group members (although not necessarily with equal levels of enthusiasm).
- Items will appear on Work Group final meeting agenda only by group decision. Each Work Group meeting will begin with a review by the group of the meeting's proposed agenda.