

ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: August 22, 2011

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

ACTION ITEM (Y/N) N

SUBJECT: Student Reassignment Study Board Sub-Committee Report #2

INFO. CONTACT: Board Members McKnight/Halkiotis/Piscitelli PHONE: 919-732-8126

ATTACHMENTS: None.

PURPOSE: To allow the Board of Education the opportunity to receive a report from the Student Reassignment Study Board Sub-Committee and further discuss the student reassignment process.

BACKGROUND: On May 2, 2011, the Superintendent recommended the BOE establish a sub-committee to study various options which may impact the student reassignment process. The Board approved this recommendation and the Board chair appointed the following Board members to this sub-committee:

- Tony McKnight
- Dr. Stephen Halkiotis
- Dr. Debbie Piscitelli

On June 3, 2011, the Student Reassignment Study Board Sub-Committee met, along with the Superintendent, Dr. McFarley, Dr. Morton, and Jeff Tsai (Director of the Operations Research and Education Laboratory). Dr. McFarley was directed to spend some time at the ORED lab with Jeff Tsai to discuss some different options to the student reassignment plan which may not have been brought up yet, and to closely examine current occupancy rates at all elementary schools. Additionally, staff was directed to examine magnet school models with an emphasis on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education. Fall visits to a model school are being scheduled.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education receive a report from the Student Reassignment Study Board Sub-Committee and further discuss the student reassignment process.