

ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: February 6, 2012

AGENDA ITEM No. 12-02-17

ACTION ITEM: (Y/N) N

SUBJECT: Collaboration Meeting Discussion

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ATTACHMENTS: 1. Proposed Meeting Plan for the County/Schools Collaboration Work Group.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is to allow the Board of Education the opportunity to discuss the upcoming collaboration meeting scheduled for February 9, 2012.

BACKGROUND: The next collaboration meeting with the Board of County Commissioners and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools is scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2012. The attached proposed meeting plan has been provided by Facilitator Andy Sachs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education discuss topics associated with the February 9 collaboration meeting and provide any relevant input.

Proposed Meeting Plan for the County/Schools Collaboration Work Group

Thursday, February 9, 2012 3:00 – 5:00 PM

John Link, Jr. Government Services Center, Hillsborough.

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

3:00 Convene

- Introductions, as needed
- Welcome to new Work Group members
- Review proposed Desired Outcomes and Agenda for today's meeting.

3:45 Equitable Funding

Update #1: Dr. McFarley was to request an assessment by DPI of the age-related physical condition of each district's facilities. The two districts' staffs then were to develop an "apples to apples" approach for comparing age-related conditions across the two districts.

Update #2: Mr. LoFrese, Mr. Grier, and Dr. McFarley were to take the lead on developing alternative funding scenarios based on the presentations and discussion from the December Work Group meeting, so that the Work Group could better understand the principles to be applied and implications of changing the formulas.

Discussion/Decision: What next steps will lead to better understanding each jurisdiction's needs on this issue, and/or developing options for better meeting those needs?

4:50 Wrap Up

- Proposal to consider evening times for future meetings.
- Agenda items and date(s) for any next Work Group meeting.

5:00 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.