

1. Introductions and Instructions

Board Chairman Dr. Marvin Wells

Dr. Marvin Wells called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m., he introduced the two new Board members; Jenny Vipperman and Marsha Oliver. He introduced Council President Sam Newby who was in the audience and Council Member LeAnna Cumber who is the liaison to City Council. Dr. Wells then went on to introduce Dr. Diana Greene, Superintendent of DCPS for a presentation, stating that due to her limited schedule she will be presenting first.

a. Duval County Public Schools

Superintendent Dr. Diana Greene

Dr. Greene reminded the audience that DCPS is the 20th largest school system in the U.S., and the 2nd largest employer in Jacksonville. 127,000 students are served by the school system. 10,000 students have not been in brick and mortar in 18 months, and the school system is looking to tackle the challenge. Dr. Greene then presented the school system's data on learning loss through the covid-19 pandemic.

Dr. Greene outlined the School Board's strategic plan, with the priorities of literacy, high performing schools, soft skills, and vocational opportunities. Dr. Greene shared that DCPS has no F schools, and aims to have only A, B, or C schools by 2026. She outlined the soft skill programming of DCPS.

Dr. Greene outlined the partnership between KHA and DCPS for the Florida Grade Level Reading Campaign.

Dr. Greene also covered the project of Matthew Gilbert elementary providing internet access to the community within a 2 mile radius. The project is titled project "Dark Fiber".

Dr. Greene shared data regarding the "summer slide" that kids are facing on the tail end of the covid-19 pandemic. She also outlined covid-19 measures the school system implemented over the last year. She outlined projects that have been funded using the 1/2 penny sales tax.

Dr. Wells thanked Dr. Greene for her time and said he looked forward to the engagement between KHA and DCPS.

2. Approval of the Minutes

The Board voted to accept exceptional circumstances to allow Kevin Gay and Jenny Vipperman to attend the meeting virtually. The motion passes 5-0.

The Board voted to approve the minutes from June 2021 7-0.

3. Finance Report

Tyra Tutor and April Hart

a. June Finance Report

Mrs. Tutor presented the June 2021 financials to the Board. She stated that the numbers were as expected and there were no indications of any issues.

4. New Business: Action Items

a. Resiliency in Communities After Stress and Trauma Grant Contract

Tyrica Young

Tyrica Young presented the Resiliency in Communities After Stress and Trauma Grant Contract Action Item. The action item passed 7-0.

b. Recapture Funds Legislation

Mike Weinstein

Mike Weinstein presented the Recapture Funds Legislation Action Item.

Marsha Oliver asked a question regarding the SAMHSA grant. Mr. Weinstein clarified that the SAMHSA grant in the last action item and the SAMSHA grant mentioned in the recapture legislation are different grants. The action item passed 7-0.

c. Advance Policy

Dr. Saralyn Grass

Dr. Saralyn Grass presented the Advance Policy action item. The action item passed 7-0.

d. Florida State College of Jacksonville Teen Violence Prevention Academy

Katoia Wilkins

Katoia Wilkins presented the Florida State College of Jacksonville Teen Violence Prevention Academy. Marsha Oliver asked a question regarding the provider relationships outlined in the item. Ms. Wilkins responded that the project collaborated with many providers. Laura Lambert asked a question regarding where the referrals came from, and Ms. Wilkins responded that the referrals come through many Juvenile Justice providers. Dr. Wells asked for an elaboration on the waiver of the age of service restrictions, Ms. Wilkins responded that we are limited by our ordinance for our age of service restrictions. The action item passed 7-0.

5. Board Discussion

a. Committee Assignments

Dr. Marvin Wells

Dr. Wells assigned the following committees to the Board Members. Finance will be chaired by Tyra Tutor, and have the members of Jenny Vipperman and Rebekah Davis. The Governance Committee will be chaired by Rose Conry, and have the members of Kevin Gay and Marsha Oliver.

b. Meeting Cadence & Site Visits

Dr. Marvin Wells

Dr. Wells announced that the Board will meet every other month, and will have pre-arranged site visits on the off months.

6. Presentations

a. KHA Needs Assessment & Gap Analysis

Ted Willich and Katie Bakewell, NLP Logix

Ted Willich, CEO of NLP Logix began the presentation by providing background on NLP. Dr. Saralyn Grass gave background on the origin of the KHA gap analysis. Katie Bakewell continued the presentation by giving background on all projects that NLP has collaborated with KHA on. Mrs. Bakewell elaborated on the strategies that NLP is planning for the completion of the needs assessment and gap analysis project.

7. Staff Discussion

a. CEO Delegation

Dr. Saralyn Grass

Dr. Grass outlined the requirements for items to be acted on under the CEO delegation, and stated that three actions had occurred since the last meeting: JPEF - Parents Who Lead, Children's Home Society - Business Leadership Institute, and a Youth Travel Trust Fund reimbursement for the Jacksonville Children's Chorus.

b. Boardable

Cory Armstrong gave brief instructions on how to use the Boardable board management software.

8. Public Comment

Leon Baxton from Communities in Schools made a public comment. Kenneth Darity thanked the providers for the services they provide.