SUBJECT: Minutes from September 20, November 15 and December 19, 2019 meetings

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The minutes of the September 20, November 15 and December 19, 2019 meetings are presented for approval.

Supporting Documentation Included: Minutes, September 20, November 15 and December 19, 2019

Facilitator/Presenter: Chair Andy Tuck
MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING
September 20, 2019
KIPP Jacksonville

Chair Andy Tuck called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. The following members were present: Vice Chair Marva Johnson; Ben Gibson; Tom Grady; Michael Olenick; and Joe York.

WELCOME

Chair Tuck welcomed members and guests to the State Board of Education meeting and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance by KIPP Impact Middle School followed by the singing of the National Anthem performed by the KIPP Voice Performance Choir. Chair Tuck asked everyone in attendance to remain standing to allow for a KIPP tradition, the singing of a psalm of historical significance, the Black National Hymn. Chair Tuck then recognized Jennifer Brown, Executive Director of KIPP Jacksonville Schools to welcome the board.

Commissioner’s Report

Commissioner Corcoran thanked KIPP Jacksonville for hosting the SBOE and recognized KIPP as the first public charter school to host the SBOE. The commissioner then recognized five recipients of the Presidential Award of Excellence: Dr. Teresita Lemus, Sonya Smith, Dr. Nicole Ackerson, Stephanie Killingsworth and Dr. Scott Sowell. Commissioner Corcoran recognized Senator Perry Thurston, Representative Geraldine Thompson and Representative Tracie Davis in attendance. Commissioner Corcoran thanked district and DOE staff for the outstanding work they did preparing for Hurricane Dorian and introduced Dr. Dakeyan Cha Dre Graham, 2020 Florida Teacher of the Year. Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve Commissioner Corcoran’s report. Mr. York made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

Minutes from the July 17, 2019 and July 29, 2019 meetings

Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2019 and July 29, 2019 meetings. Mr. York made the motion with a second by Mr. Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE

2015-2020 Strategic Plan

Chair Tuck recognized Alex Kelly, Chief of Staff, for an update on the Strategic Plan. Chief Kelly presented an update on the five-year strategic plan and how the department is going to measure success in terms of creating opportunity for students. Chief Kelly also briefed the board on the proposed additions to the Strategic Plan such as elevating teachers and focusing on student outcomes. Mr. Olenick asked could the department contemplate a native language assessment for English learners. Mr. Grady requested the plan to be aligned with the governor’s executive order for the Last Mile initiative. These comments were echoed by Vice Chair Johnson.
Executive Order Updates

Chair Tuck recognized, Dr. Eric Hall, Chancellor of Innovation, for an update on the executive orders. Dr. Hall opened with executive order 1932, which ensures that Florida has the best standards in the nation. Dr. Hall continued with Executive Order 1931, ensuring Florida is number one in the nation in workforce education and followed with Executive Order 1945, school safety.

Due to travel/time constraints Chair Tuck to allowed Senator Thurston and Representative Thompson to speak on Action Item 7, Approval of New Rule 6A-1.094123, Child Trafficking Prevention Education and Action Item 8, Approval of New Rule 6A-1.094124, Required Instruction Reporting. Senator Thurston thanked the board and the department for the work they have put into new rule 6A-1.094123 and mentioned that the legislature is proposing a law to coincide with the rule. Representative Thompson informed the board of the statutory requirement for teachers to provide instruction on the history of the Holocaust and African American history and shared support for the new reporting rule 6A-1.094124.

Florida College System - President Pickens on behalf of the Council of Presidents

Chair Tuck recognized, Joe Pickens, President, St. Johns River State College, for an update on the Florida College System. President Pickens provided specific updates on the legislative budget request and the collaboration between the department, the commissioner, and the Council of Presidents (COP). President Pickens briefed the board on the colleges Last Mile initiative and the proposal for the Chair of the COP term to be two years.

K-12 Public Schools – Superintendent Forson on behalf of the Florida Association of District School Superintendents

Chair Tuck recognized, Tim Forson, Superintendent, St. Johns County. Superintendent Forson briefed the board on the progression of turnaround in the state and thanked the board and governor for the work on the standards review.

The Able Trust

Chair Tuck recognized, Bethany Swanson, Deputy Chief of Staff, for an update on the Able Trust. Ms. Swanson started by briefing the board on the history of the Able Trust, and the new CEO Tony Carvajal. Commissioner Corcoran thanked Ms. Swanson for her leadership with the Able Trust and the current chair of the Able Trust, Karen Moore. Mr. Olenick echoed the commissioner’s comments.

Action Items

Approval of New Rule 6A-1.094123, Child Trafficking Prevention Education

Chair Tuck recognized Jacob Oliva, Chancellor, K-12 Public Schools, for an overview of the new rule. Chancellor Oliva provided the three components of child trafficking prevention; coercion, force, and fraud and how elevating prevention education around child trafficking is so important. Chair Tuck opened the board for questions. Marva Johnson asked, how the department considers the environment that lead Florida to be in third in terms of child trafficking. Marva proposed an amendment to new rule 6A-1.094123 to have, age-appropriate elements of effective and evidence-based programs and instruction to students in grades K-12 related to child trafficking prevention and awareness and must address at a
The meeting started with discussions on a range of topics, including:

- Recognition of signs of human trafficking.
- Awareness of resources, including national, state, and local resources.
- Prevention of abuse and addiction to alcohol, nicotine, and drugs.
- Information on the prevalence, nature, and strategies to reduce human trafficking, techniques to set healthy boundaries, and how to safely seek assistance.
- Information on how social media and mobile devices are used for human trafficking.
- The Department will maintain the human trafficking web page information and the education described in this section.

Approval of New Rule 6A-1.094124, Required Instruction Reporting.

Chair Tuck recognized Chancellor Olivia to provide an overview of the new rule. Chancellor Olivia shared how the rule is connected to the Florida Standards. Chair Tuck then opened the board for questions. Mr. Gibson thanked Chancellor Olivia and his team for making the reporting structure as streamlined as possible. Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve new rule 6A-1.094124, Required Instruction Reporting. Mr. York made the motion with a second by Mr. Olenick. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-1.099811, School Improvement State System of Support for Deficient and Failing Schools

Chair Tuck recognized Melissa Ramsey, Deputy Chancellor, K-12 Public Schools, to provide an overview of the amendment. Ms. Ramsey provided an overview of the changes to the rule, how the department is going to strengthen instructional support, the statistics of turnaround schools in Florida, and the updated forms used in turnaround. Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve the amendment to Rule 6A-1.099811, School Improvement State System of Support for Deficient and Failing Schools. Mr. Gibson made the motion with a second by Mr. York. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-5.066, Approval of Teacher Preparation Programs

Chair Tuck recognized Dr. Paul Burns, Deputy Chancellor for Education Quality, to provide an overview of the amendment. Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve the amendment to Rule 6A-5.066, Approval of Teacher Preparation Programs. Mr. York made the motion with a second by Mr. Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Florida College System 2020-21 Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) Project List and Prioritization Process

Chair Tuck recognized Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Florida College System, for an update on the Public Education Capital Outlay Project List. Chancellor Hebda briefed the board on the new PECO methodologies required by Senate Bill 190 and the projects listed for PECO funds. Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve the Florida College System 2020-21 Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) Project List and Prioritization Process. Vice Chair Johnson made the motion with a second by Mr. York. The motion passed unanimously.
CONSENT

Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve the consent items. Mr. Olenick made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Chair tuck opened the board for member comments. Vice Chair Johnson started by thanking KIPP for allowing the board to meet at their school and thanked the board for a robust meeting. Mr. Gibson followed stating he appreciated the department’s urgency in getting things accomplished. Mr. York thanked Duval County and KIPP Jacksonville for hosting the meeting and commended the strategic plan update. Mr. Grady expressed his excitement over the strategic plan update. Chair Tuck echoed the board and thanked all that came to listen and to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Tuck reminded the members that the next meeting would be on November 15th in Flagler County.

Having no further business, Chair Tuck adjourned the meeting of the State Board of Education at 2:00 P.M.

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Andy Tuck, Chair
Chair Andy Tuck called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m. The following members were present: Vice Chair Marva Johnson; Ben Gibson; Tom Grady; and Joe York.

**WELCOME**

Chair Tuck welcomed members and guests to the State Board of Education meeting and asked everyone to stand for the Presentation of Colors and the Pledge of Allegiance by Flagler Palm Coast High School Air Force ROTC Cadets, First Lieutenant Allison Matos, Master Sergeant Patrick Galloway, along with Matanzas High School Army ROTC Cadets, Major Francisco Natares and Second Lieutenant Sebo. Chair Tuck then recognized Dr. Anna Crawford, Principal, Wadsworth Elementary School for being one of the top 3 finalists for the State Innovation Principal of the year. Chair Tuck thanked Flagler County for hosting the SBOE and recognized James Tager, Superintendent, Flagler County Schools for a brief update about Flagler County.

**Update**

Chair Tuck recognized Alex Kelly, Chief of Staff, Department of Education and Dr. Louis Algaze, President and CEO, Florida Virtual School to provide an update on the recommendations regarding the governance, operation and organization of Florida Virtual School. Mr. Grady suggested the board, as the Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees, have a telephone meeting prior to the January to delegate authority per the recommendations. Mr. Gibson suggested the board vote to adopt rules on Ethics Policy from Chapter 112, F.S., as the Board of Trustees until legislation gets passed.

**Commissioner’s Report**

Commissioner Corcoran recognized the following two students for their academic achievement: Allen Robertson, Flagler Palm Coast High School and Zoe Gervich, Daytona State College. Commissioner Corcoran briefed the board on the NAEP scores for Florida, the raise in minimum starting teacher salary, the Pathways to Career Opportunities Grant and the upcoming legislative session. Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve Commissioner Corcoran’s report. Mr. York made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes**

**Minutes from the August 21, 2019 meeting**

Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve the minutes from the August 21, 2019 meeting. Mr. York made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.
**UPDATES**

**Florida College System – President LoBasso on behalf of the Council of Presidents**

Chair Tuck recognized President LoBasso, Daytona State College for an update on behalf of the Council of Presidents (COP). President LoBasso provided updates on the legislative budget request and collaboration between the department and COP on developing a clear funding model. President LoBasso also briefed the board on the colleges Last Mile initiative, newly created Council Workforce Education Group and a new initiative called Patriots Path.

Due to a scheduling conflict Joe York had to depart from the meeting.

**Update of Turnaround Option Plan for Evergreen Elementary School, Marion County**

Chair Tuck recognized, Jacob Oliva, Chancellor, K-12 Public Schools, for an update on the Turnaround Plan for Evergreen Elementary School. Chancellor Oliva then introduced Heidi Maier, Superintendent, Marion County for the update. Superintendent Maier provided the board updates on the new external operator hired by the district to oversee Evergreen Elementary School, the appointment of a new principal with turnaround leadership and school metrics via i-Ready.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**2020-2025 Strategic Plan**

Chair Tuck recognized, Chief Kelly for an overview of the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan. Chief Kelly provided the board an overview of the metrics that are currently in place and the 14 proposed additions. Chair Tuck then opened the board for questions. Vice Chair Johnson shared her excitement for the data-driven, data-focused, data-centered plan and the additional metrics for early warning. Mr. Grady suggested adding another metric to the strategic plan for four-year graduation rate. Chair Tuck suggested looking for ways to incorporate more choice options in rural counties. Chair Tuck then called for a motion to approve the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan. Vice Chair Johnson made the motion with a second by Mr. Gibson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of a New Baccalaureate Degree Program in the Florida College System – Florid Gateway College**

Chair Tuck recognized, Dr. Lawrence Barrett, President, Florida Gateway College for a brief overview of the proposed B.S. in Elementary Education. President Barrett explained the program design is 2-plus-2 in conjunction with the existing Associates of Arts Degree. President Barrett also provided local statistics on the profession showing demand in the area and a desire for teachers proficient in STEM. Chair Tuck then called for a motion to approve the B.S. in Elementary Education. Vice Chair Johnson made the motion with a second by Mr. Gibson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of a New Baccalaureate Degree Program in the Florida College System – Daytona State College**

Chair Tuck then recognized President LoBasso, Daytona State College, for a brief overview of the new B.S. in Accounting at Daytona State College. President LoBasso provided research showing the number of accounting jobs in the region outpacing graduates and an
overwhelming support from business and industry partners. Chair Tuck then called for a motion to approve the B.S. in Accounting. Vice Chair Johnson made the motion with a second by Mr. Gibson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of District Turnaround Option Plans for Schools Implementing Cycle 1, Year 1 in 2019-20**

Chair Tuck then recognized Melissa Ramsey, Vice Chancellor, K-12 Public Schools for an overview of the turnaround option plans for schools implementing cycle 1. Ms. Ramsey provided the board updates on 14 districts with 23 schools in cycle 1, year 1 of turnaround. Ms. Ramsey expressed concern for Idylwild Elementary School in Alachua County, which assured the department that the principal would be replaced with a principal with a track record of turnaround success. Commissioner Corcoran then recommended that all plans be approved with the exception of Idylwild Elementary School, until the principal is replaced. Chair Tuck recognized Karen Clark, Superintendent, Alachua County for a presentation on Idylwild Elementary School. The board discussed the replacement of the principal and the ramifications if the plan is not approved. Chair Tuck recognized Matt Mears, General Counsel to provide legal opinion. Chair Tuck then recognized members of the public for comment. Mr. Grady made a motion to approve the commissioner’s recommendation with a second by Mr. Gibson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Florida East Coast Charter School, Inc. v. School Board of Volusia County**

Chair Tuck recognized Adam Emerson, Director, Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice. Mr. Emerson provided the board a brief overview of the appeal made by Florida East Coast Charter School over the denial of their charter school application. Mr. Emerson then introduced Sean Arnold from the Charter School and Ted Dorian from the School District to allow for each party to summarize their arguments. Mr. Grady made a motion to Uphold the Charter School Appeal Commission’s recommendation to grant the appeal with a second by Mr. Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

**CONSENT**

Chair Tuck then called for a motion to approve the consent items. Vice Chair Johnson made the motion with a second by Mr. Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

**MEMBER COMMENTS**

Due to time constraints board member comments were withheld.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, Chair Tuck adjourned the meeting of the State Board of Education at 1:30 P.M.
Chair Andy Tuck called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. The following members were present: Vice Chair Marva Johnson; Ben Gibson; Tom Grady; Michael Olenick and Joe York.

**WELCOME**

Chair Tuck welcomed members and guests and thanked everyone for participating in the call.

**Action Item**

Chair Tuck recognized Alex Kelly, Chief of Staff, Department of Education for an update on the adoption of Governor DeSantis’ bolder, better, brighter future budget. Chief Kelly framed three key points pertaining to teacher workforce. First, the governor’s budget adds more than a billion dollars to the overall budget bringing the spending total to $22.9 billion. Second, the investment in teacher pay of $602 million to increase the minimum teacher pay to $47,500. Last, in the budget is $290 million to replace the Best and Brightest Program for teacher and principal bonuses. Chair Tuck called for a motion to approve the 2020-2021 Amended Education and Fixed Capital Outlay Budget request. Mr. York made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, Chair Tuck adjourned the meeting of the State Board of Education at 10:47 a.m.

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Andy Tuck, Chair