

**MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING**

October 20, 2022
Caribe Royale
8101 World Center Drive
Grand Sierra Ballroom E
Orlando, FL 32821

Chair Tom Grady called the meeting to order at 9 a.m., the following members were present: Vice Chair Ben Gibson, Grazie Christie, Ryan Petty, Monesia Brown, and Esther Byrd with member Joe York via conference phone. Member York was unable to attend the entire meeting due to technical difficulties. Chair Grady then asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners Report

Chair Grady recognized Manny Diaz Jr., Commissioner, Department of Education to present his report to the board. Commissioner Diaz thanked the board for all their hard work in the October 19 meeting and their discussions surrounding the response to Hurricane Ian. Adding that the Florida College System Foundation provided extra funds to the college foundations that were hardest hit by Hurricane Ian and thanked the Helios Foundation for a donation of \$200,000 for the Florida College Foundation. Commissioner Diaz then recognized Lipson Chavez of the Early Childhood Learning Center in Lakeland, FL for 23 years of proven exceptional teaching. Chair Grady called for a motion to approve the Commissioners Report. Ms. Byrd made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE

Florida College System – President Williams on behalf of the Council of Presidents (COP)

Chair Grady recognized Dr. Tonjua Williams, President, St. Petersburg College for an update on behalf of the Council of Presidents. Dr. Williams thanked the board and provided an update on some of the efforts that were started in response to Hurricane Ian. Such as, delivery of food, personal items, prepped meals and over 600 laptops. Continuing Dr. Williams thanked the board for their support in receiving historic college system funding, including \$40 million to increase the operating budget, a \$50 million increase in program funds, and approximately \$92 million increase in fixed capital outlay budget. Adding that the Florida Legislature asked the COP to provide an equity based per-student funding model and with the help of the Department they were able to build that funding model. Chair Grady opened the board for questions. Ms. Brown commented that President Williams is a great community builder and a great leader.

Teacher Salary Increase Allocation

Chair Grady recognized Jacob Oliva, Senior Chancellor, Division of Public Schools for an overview of teacher salary increase allocation. Senior Chancellor Oliva thanked the board and provided a brief overview of the process since 2021 when the legislature approved the historic level of funding. Stating that this investment is the largest teaching compensation increase in the history of Florida and required each school district submit an approved district-salary distribution plan. Adding that the Department

provided three memorandums to school districts and charter schools on revisions made to the Teacher Salary Increase Allocation templates with revised guidance. Continuing, Senior Chancellor Oliva stated that as of October, 19 schools districts have been fully approved, nine have submitted their plans and are in department review, one district is at an impasse, five districts have submitted tentative plans that have not been approved by their local school board, 27 districts have not submitted plans but have communicated with appropriate timelines, and 14 districts that have not submitted or been in contact with the department. Chair Grady opened the board for questions. Mr. Petty asked for a list of the 14 districts that have not submitted and are not in communication with the department. Mr. Petty followed-up asking if the board could impose sanctions on local boards for not complying with the law. Chair Grady asked if the department would entertain creating incentives and disincentives for complying.

ACTION ITEMS

Review of Turnaround Option Plans for School Districts of Bay, Broward, Escambia, Gadsden, Hamilton, Hillsborough, Jefferson, Leon, Madison, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas and Polk County

Chair Grady recognized Senior Chancellor Oliva to provide a brief update on Turnaround Option Plans for school districts of Bay, Broward, Escambia, Gadsden, Hamilton, Hillsborough, Jefferson, Leon, Madison, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas and Polk County. Senior Chancellor Oliva thanked the board and explained that schools enter into turnaround when they receive their first F grade or two consecutive D grades.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Denise Kelly, Deputy Superintendent, Bay County to provide the board an overview of turnaround plans for Callaway Elementary School and Cedar Grove Elementary School. Ms. Kelly thanked the board and provided some high level staff demographics of the two schools stating that the schools are within the district average of VAM scores for teachers who have a designation of unsatisfactory, needs improvement, and highly-effective. Ms. Kelly added that from Fall to Spring their students did make progress, decreasing the number of students below grade level reading and increasing the number of students at grade reading level. To assist each of the turnaround schools, Ms. Kelly stated that both of the schools are led by a new principal and assistant principal, with each school offering incentives to highly qualified teachers for recruitment. Continuing, Ms. Kelly added that each school has assigned reading staff specialists to train teachers in literacy and created two academic interventionist positions at each school as well as adding after school tutoring. Chair Grady opened the board for questions. Ms. Byrd asked why these two schools are having such a hard time with staffing. Vice Chair Gibson asked when a school district opts-in to report school grades, is it by school or district wide. Dr. Christie commented on the tragic literacy rates in third and fourth grades at both of these schools. Ms. Byrd asked if there is a resource at the state level that could help schools districts find employees. Chair Grady then called for a recommendation from Commissioner Diaz. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround option plans for Cedar Grove and Callaway Elementary Schools. Chair Grady called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Ms. Byrd made the motion with a second by Dr. Christie. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Dr. Marilyn Doyle, Associate Superintendent, Broward County to provide the board an overview of turnaround plans for Endeavor Primary Learning Center, North Fork Elementary School and Walker Elementary School. Dr. Doyle thanked the board and provided an overview of the decline in school grades. Stating that after their review the district found, staffing issues-with teaching positions open for too long, leadership issues-not using the consistency of BEST

practices, a lack of support plans for the schools and lack of community partnerships and parent outreach. Continuing, Dr. Doyle briefed the board on what Broward has done to help these schools; targeting and strengthening support for academics, using standards-based instruction, teacher professional development, and creating wraparound services for students. Dr. Doyle added that a master coach goes to each school to work directly with teachers, a leadership coach goes to each school and is assigned to the principal and assistant principal, both schools have zero teaching vacancies, and they have replaced all the math and reading coaches with new proven coaches. Chair Grady opened the board for questions. Vice Chair Gibson asked Dr. Doyle to elaborate on, no vacancies. Chair Grady then asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz deferred to Senior Chancellor Oliva who recommended approval of Broward Counties Turnaround Plan. Chair Grady then called for a motion to approve the recommendation. Vice Chair Gibson made the motion with a second by Dr. Christie. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Dr. Tim Smith, Superintendent, Escambia County to brief the board on O.J. Semmes Elementary School, followed by a quick update on Warrington Middle School. Dr. Smith thanked the board and started with O.J. Semmes Elementary, stating that the school just hired a new principal, has leadership coaching with the School Transformation Office, monthly professional development sessions, and weekly instructional planning. Additionally, the school has initiated child study groups, counseling teams, home visits, and monthly positivity culture walks. Dr. Smith then briefed the board on Warrington Middle School. Starting by thanking the board for the year it provided Warrington to implement the Warrington Charter Program. Adding that Warrington has maintained its \$7,500 signing bonus to get highly qualified teachers in the school, started weekly instructional planning, leadership coaching, and is working closely with the Bureau of School Improvement. Continuing, Dr. Smith updated the board on the process of acquiring a charter company to take over. Stating that the Escambia County School Board just reviewed the charter consulting agreement and decided to postpone the vote till after the next meeting with Charter Schools USA. Chair Grady then asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround plan for O.J. Semmes Elementary School. Dr. Christie made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Elijah Key, Superintendent, Gadsden County to provide the board an overview of the turnaround plan for George W. Munroe Elementary School. Superintendent Key thanked the board and introduced Ms. Jermaine Kirkland, Principal, George W. Munroe Elementary School. Ms. Kirkland thanked the board and stated that the school has implemented the STAR Reading Progress Monitoring Tool and as of October the school is at 60 percent at or above reading level, the school has added math and ELA interventionist, and raised the starting teacher pay to incentivize highly effective teachers to join Gadsden County. Chair Grady opened the board for questions. Chair Grady asked what happened in the past two years that dropped the school to an F grade. Chair Grady then asked the commissioner for his recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround plan for Gadsden County. Chair Grady called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Dr. Christie made the motion with a second by Ms. Byrd. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Clay Tomlinson, Director, Career and Technical Education, Hamilton County to provide the board an overview of the turnaround closure plan for Hamilton Virtual School. Mr. Tomlinson thanked the board and stated that Hamilton County is proposing a mid-year closure of the Hamilton Virtual Franchise. Adding that the virtual franchise has 14 students, that closing the school mid-year would give these students an opportunity to accrue credits towards graduation, and the online

platform and corresponding learning management system used within the franchise do not provide the district adequate access to student progress monitoring information, access to instructors, or access to student coursework. Chair Grady opened the board for questions. Dr. Christie asked if there are additional students enrolled at any virtual school in the district. Chair Grady asked who operated the Hamilton Virtual Franchise. Chair Grady then asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround closure plan for Hamilton County. Chair Grady called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Ms. Brown made the motion with a second by Ms. Byrd. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Shay McRae, Chief, Transformation Network to provide the board an overview of the turnaround plan for Adams Middle School, Jennings Middle School and Just Elementary School. Ms. McRae thanked the board and provided some background of the Transformation Network, stating that it oversees 46 schools in Hillsborough County, serves primarily African Americans and Hispanic students, and started with 24 D schools and 4 F schools. Adding that as of October, Hillsborough is down to one F school and five D schools. Continuing, Ms. McRae outlined some of the steps taken to turnaround the schools in question. Such as, hiring a new middle school superintendent with a track record of transforming schools, created and launched the Transformation Fellows Program which allows for higher Ed students to come and support literacy instruction and acceleration, signing bonuses to highly effective teachers that join one of the schools in turnaround, and using blended learning models through iReady, Achieve 3000 and Envision in Six. Adding that Transformation Network frequently monitors student progress through diagnostic assessment, formative assessments, and through classroom check-ins. Chair Grady opened the board for questions. Dr. Christie asked if the schools in turnaround have discipline problems. Chair Grady asked if the new principal has turnaround experience. Chair Grady then asked for the commissioner's recommendations. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the Hillsborough County turnaround plans. Chair Grady called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Ms. Brown made the motion with a second by Dr. Christie. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Eydie Tricquet, Superintendent, Jefferson County to provide the board a brief overview of the turnaround plan for Jefferson County. Superintendent Tricquet thanked the board and provided the demographics of the school, stating that district has only one school and it has 775 students with 61 percent black, 22 white, 15 percent Hispanic, and 2 percent other. Adding that the leadership team has been updated to a former Blue Ribbon principal that took a school from a grade of C to A then to Blue Ribbon status as well as two assistant principals. One has a strong background in teaching and oversees curriculum, with the other over operations and behavior. Additionally, the school has added three instructional coaches, one in math, ELA and science. With two of the coaches in the top five finalist for the State Teacher of the Year. Moving to student data, Superintendent Tricquet stressed the dire straits of the student population. Stating that only 25 percent of students at the school are at grade proficiency. Superintendent Tricquet thanked the Bureau of School Improvement for all their hard work and commitment, adding that they have helped formulate lesson plans and set instructional path. Chair Grady then asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the Jefferson County turnaround plan. Chair Grady called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Vice Chair Gibson made the motion with a second by Dr. Christie. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Grady recognized First Lady Casey DeSantis to share some initiatives she is working on pertaining to youth mental health. First Lady DeSantis started by acknowledging some of the ways Florida is leading the nation in education. Such as the largest pay increase of teacher salaries in the history of our state,

the largest expansion of school choice in the history of our state with 1.3 million students and families partaking in school choice options, record funding for workforce education, technical opportunities, rapid credentialing and paid apprenticeships. Continuing, First Lady DeSantis stated that the newly approved rule will teach students critical thinking, problem solving, coping, compassion, grit, and perseverance. Along with rejecting the term 'mental health' and replacing it with resiliency. Adding that through the resiliency initiative, professional athletes are sharing their stories of overcoming obstacles to help serve as the embodiment of perseverance. Chair Grady thanked First Lady DeSantis for attending the meeting and spearheading the mental health initiative. Commissioner Diaz also thanked First Lady DeSantis for her leadership in mental health as well as efforts on Hurricane Ian relief.

Chair Grady then amended the agenda to take up Action Item 5, rule 6A-1.094124, Required Instruction Planning and Reporting. Chair Grady recognized Senior Chancellor Oliva to provide the board an overview. Senior Chancellor Oliva thanked First Lady DeSantis and briefed the board on some of the amendments being made to the rule. Pointing out that the rule aligns mental health education and character education under the umbrella of resiliency education, including life skills. Adding that this is a first in the nation approach where students can learn how to overcome adversity and to develop resiliency. Continuing, Senior Chancellor Oliva added that this rule will update some of the topics to be more aligned with a positive look on mental health education, as well as promoting resiliency. Chair Grady opened the board for public comment. Chair Grady called for a motion to approve the amendment to rule 6A-1.094124, Required Instruction Planning and Reporting. Ms. Byrd made the motion with a second by Vice Chair Gibson. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Grady then departed the meeting for a prior scheduled event and turned the meeting over to Vice Chair Gibson.

Vice Chair Gibson recognized Senior Chancellor Oliva to continue the briefing on schools in turnaround. Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized David Solz, Director, School Improvement Accountability and Testing, Leon County to provide the board a brief overview of the turnaround plan for John G. Riley Elementary School. Mr. Solz thanked the board and stated that Leon County works closely with the Bureau of School Improvement in three main areas; transformational leadership, positive culture and environment, and standards-based planning and instruction learning. Stating that John G. Riley Elementary School has been assigned a new principal and is already improving in six of the seven reporting categories and has a leadership team focused on foundational growth and success. Adding that the school has seven on-site academic coaches, interventionists, and resource teachers in addition to general Ed classroom teachers. Continuing, Mr. Solz added that each student in the school has an intervention group, using data from the previous year to drive interventions immediately. Vice Chair Gibson then asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround plan for John G. Riley Elementary School. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve to commissioner's recommendation. Dr. Christie made the motion with a second by Ms. Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Shirley Joseph, Superintendent, Madison County to provide the board a brief overview of the turnaround plan for Greenville Elementary School. Superintendent Joseph thanked the board and shared some of the demographics of the school, stating that the school serves 180 students, is 100 percent economically disadvantaged with 86 percent of students African American and 12 percent of students having a disability. Continuing, Superintendent Joseph stated that the principal is certified in leadership, ESOL endorsed, reading endorsed and is being assisted by a district employee that has turnaround experience. As well as, coached by a principal mentor for up to 20 hours

a week from the Pace Panhandle Area Education Consortium. Vice Chair Gibson opened the board for questions. Ms. Brown asked if the school is experiencing attendance issues. Vice Chair Gibson asked if the superintendent has confidence the new principal can turnaround the school despite lacking experience. Vice Chair Gibson asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the plan with a caveat that the school investigate kindergarten and first grade math and reading scores. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Ms. Brown made the motion with a second by Dr. Christie. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized William Bond, Associate Superintendent, School Transformation Office (STO), Orange County to provide the board a brief overview of the turnaround plans for Catalina Elementary School, Pine Lock Elementary School, and Washington Shores Elementary School. Mr. Bond thanked the board and provided an update of district support systems and improvement strategies for Catalina, Pine Lock, and Washington Shores. Stating that each of these schools has been placed in the care of the STO and each have on the ground coaches for principals and assistant principals, content experts that provide actionable feedback, and professional development coaches. Additionally each of the schools have been fully staffed by highly qualified teachers. Vice Chair Gibson opened the board for questions. Ms. Brown asked if the schools are in the same area and what attributed to them dropping to an F grade. Mr. Petty asked if the district identified the schools leaning towards a failing grade prior to turnaround. Vice Chair Gibson asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround plans for Orange County. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Ms. Byrd made the motion with a second by Ms. Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Kurt Browning, Superintendent, Pasco County to provide the board a brief overview of turnaround plans for Chasco Elementary School, Fox Hollow Elementary School, Gulf Highlands Elementary School, Rodney B. Cox Elementary School, and West Zephyrhills Elementary School. Superintendent Browning thanked the board and stated that Pasco County has restructured its senior leadership team, including principal supervisors, and tightened the expectations and systems used to monitor Pasco schools. Adding that the reorganization has allowed Pasco to provide consistency among schools related to curriculum, instruction and assessments, as well as weekly monitoring, instructional planning and use of coaches. Continuing, Superintendent Browning added that the district provides a support team in weekly groups to provide intentional professional development and coaching related to the BEST benchmarks. Vice Chair Gibson opened the board for questions. Vice Chair Gibson asked if there has been any changes to the leadership at each of the schools and if the superintendent is confident in the leadership at the schools. Vice Chair Gibson asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround plans for Pasco County. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Ms. Byrd made the motion with a second by Ms. Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Danika Jones, Chief, Transformation Office, Pinellas County to provide the board a brief overview of the turnaround plan for Tyrone Middle School. Ms. Jones thanked the board and stated that Tyrone Middle School has just undergone new leadership changes to a proven leader with a track record of turnaround experience. Along with doing professional development for teachers at the school on a monthly basis on what planning looks like and sounds like with the new BEST Standards. Vice Chair Gibson asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround plan for Pinellas County. Vice Chair Gibson called for a

motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Mr. Petty made the motion with a second by Ms. Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

Senior Chancellor Oliva recognized Fred Heid, Superintendent, Polk County to provide the board a brief overview of turnaround plans for Polk County. Superintendent Heid recognized Pat Barnes, Regional Assistant Superintendent, Polk County to update the board. Ms. Barnes thanked the board and stated that Polk currently has seven schools in turnaround, down from 19 in 2021 and of the seven remaining in turnaround, four have had their principal replaced. The district also sent out two memorandums of understanding, one allowing the district to have extra planning two days a week and the other allowing new strategies to be implemented for the districts most fragile students. Continuing, Ms. Barnes added that the district has paid for peer coaching for science, increased instructional reviews, increased routine audits, created a new mentor program for principals and addressed teacher vacancy. Adding that none of the seven schools have any vacancies. Vice Chair Gibson asked for the commissioner's recommendation. Commissioner Diaz recommended approval of the turnaround plans for Polk County. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the commissioner's recommendation. Ms. Brown made the motion with a second by Dr. Christie. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of New Rule 6A-10.0451, Tuition and Fee Waivers for Disabled Veterans

Vice Chair Gibson recognized Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Florida College System for an overview of new rule 6A-10.0451, Tuition and Fee Waivers for Disabled Veterans. Chancellor Hebda thanked the board and stated that House Bill 45 established a new tuition and fee waiver in Florida Statutes specifically for disabled veterans who qualify for tuition and fee assistance under the GI Bill, but don't qualify for a hundred percent of that tuition assistance. Adding that this waiver allows the college to waive the additional difference between what the GI Bill covers and the total cost of tuition and fees. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve new rule 6A-10.0451, Tuition and Fee Waivers for Disabled Veterans. Ms. Brown made the motion with a second by Ms. Byrd. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-4.0021, Florida Teacher Certification Examinations

Vice Chair Gibson recognized Senior Chancellor Oliva to brief the board on the amendment to rule 6A-4.0021, Florida Teacher Certification Examinations. Senior Chancellor Oliva thanked the board and stated that the proposed amendment to this rule would amend the certification exams to be aligned with the Florida BEST standards. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve rule 6A-4.0021, Florida Teacher Certification Examinations. Ms. Byrd made the motion with a second by Mr. Petty. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Amendment Rule 6A-20.028, Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program

Vice Chair Gibson recognized Suzanne Pridgeon, Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations for an overview of the next five rules. Ms. Pridgeon thanked the board and stated that the amendment to rule 6A-20.028 will allow for high school students to use 100 paid work hours as a substitute for volunteer service hour requirement. Vice Chair Gibson opened the board for public comment. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the amendment to rule 6A-20.028, Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program. Dr. Christie made the motion with a second by Ms. Byrd. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-20.0282, Dual Enrollment Scholarship Program

Continuing Ms. Pridgeon briefed the board on the amendment to rule 6A-20.0282, Dual Enrollment Scholarship Program. Stating that the scholarship program provides reimbursement for eligible expenses that are incurred by the post-secondary institution, which includes the reimbursement of tuition and instructional materials. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the amendment to rule 6A-20.0282, Dual Enrollment Scholarship Program. Dr. Christie made the motion with a second by Mr. Petty. The motion passed unanimously

Approval of New Rule 6A-20.0284, Florida Law Enforcement Academy Scholarship Program

Continuing Ms. Pridgeon briefed the board on new rule 6A-20.0284, Florida Law Enforcement Academy Scholarship Program. Stating that during the 2022 legislative session, Governor DeSantis passed House Bill 3, which created the Florida Law Enforcement Scholarship program to assist in the recruitment of law enforcement officers within the state of Florida. The scholarship program covers the cost of tuition and specific fees for applicants enrolled in commission-approved basic recruitment training program to be a Florida law enforcement officer and provides up to \$1,000 per applicant in the program for eligible education related expenses. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the amendment to new rule 6A-20.0284, Florida Law Enforcement Academy Scholarship Program. Mr. Petty made the motion with a second by Dr. Christie. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of New Rule 6A-20.0285, Florida Law Enforcement Reimbursement Program

Continuing Ms. Pridgeon briefed the board on new rule 6A-20.0285, Florida Law Enforcement Reimbursement Program. Stating that the Florida Law Enforcement Reimbursement Program was established during 2022 legislative session through House Bill 3 to assist in the recruitment of full-time law enforcement officers within the state of Florida by reimbursing law enforcement officers who relocate to Florida or transition from service in the Special Operations Forces to Florida. Adding that eligible participants will be provided up to \$1,000 reimbursement per applicant for eligible expenses incurred while obtaining the law enforcement certification. Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve new rule 6A-20.0285, Florida Law Enforcement Reimbursement Program. Mr. Petty made the motion with a second by Ms. Byrd. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-1.0451, Florida Education Finance Program Student Membership Surveys

Continuing Ms. Pridgeon briefed the board on the amendment to rule 6A-1.0451, Florida Education Finance Program Student Membership Surveys. Stating that the amendment would allow flexibility to districts and charter schools to amend the 11-day attendance window for Florida Education Finance Program funding. Adding that this important flexibility for districts affected by Hurricane Ian ensures that funding levels are not impacted by temporary disruptions in student attendance. Vice Chair Gibson added that there is an amendment to the amendment and asked for clarification. Ms. Pridgeon added that the amendment to the amendment is for schools affected by Hurricane Ian so they are not at a disadvantaged.

Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the amendment to the amendment to rule 6A-1.0451, Florida Education Finance Program Student Membership Surveys. Ms. Brown made the motion with a second by Ms. Byrd. The motion passed unanimously. Vice Chair Gibson then called for a motion to

approve the rule as amended. Dr. Christie made the motion with a second by Mr. Petty. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS

Vice Chair Gibson called for a motion to approve the consent items. Ms. Byrd made the motion with a second by Mr. Petty. The motion passed unanimously.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Gibson opened the board for member comments. Ms. Brown started by thanking the board and department for a robust two day meeting and added that she appreciates Commissioner Diaz's compassion and the transparency involved in the rules being adopted. Ms. Byrd followed commenting on turnaround and if there is a way to change the rule so schools have to be reviewed when they make a grade of C. Mr. Petty echoed the comments of members Brown and Byrd and thanked all of the public for their participation. Dr. Christie thanked First Lady DeSantis for her support in student mental health and reframing mental health to resiliency and added that she is deeply concerned for the schools in turnaround. Vice Chair Gibson echoed the comments of his fellow members and thanked the commissioner for his leadership after Hurricane Ian.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Vice Chair Gibson adjourned the meeting of the State Board of Education at 1:02 P.M. EST.

Chris Emerson, Corporate Secretary

Tom Grady, Chair