



*Broadcast live on channel 78*

**February 12, 2013**

Workshop & Special Meeting  
Marathon High School Media Center  
350 Sombrero Beach Road  
Marathon

**MISSION STATEMENT – CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT**

**VISION STATEMENT: Graduates of Monroe County Schools are Responsible and Well Informed Global Citizens who are College and/or Career Ready.**

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**PRESIDING:** Andy Griffiths, Chair

**PRESENT:** Andy Griffiths; Robin Smith-Martin; Ed Davidson; Ron Martin; Mark T. Porter, Superintendent and School Board Attorney Dirk Smits

**RECOGNITION – Time Certain 3:00 PM**

1. Taylor Konrath, 2012 Wendy's High School Heisman State of Florida Winner, Marathon High School.
2. GEMS:
  - a. Barbara Cavanah, KeysSchools Technology Expo: Digital Learning in Monroe County
  - b. Melissa Grady, Centennial Bank Business Partner

**WORKSHOP — TIME APPROXIMATE 3:15 PM**

The Board reviewed the items below with District Staff:

1. Health Care Reform, Wanda Menendez, (45 Min). 02.08.2013
2. Property Insurance Review, Wanda Menendez, (30 Min).
3. Subordinate Sales Tax Revenue Bond (2007), Ken Gentile, (30 Min.) 2.12.13
4. School Improvement Plans: (30 Min).
  - a. Marathon High/Middle, Principal Hammond Gracy
  - b. Stanley Switlik, Principal Lesley Salinero
5. Board Member Discussion Items, (25 Min).
  - a. John Dick – Purchase Orders for Bruce King \$6,000 each were questioned. He proposed that the Board adopt a policy that any time a former employee is given a contract or a company that the employee currently works for the contracts be sent to the Board. Mr. Davidson would like to see a list of former employees who are still employed via contract. Superintendent Porter will explore the options for a policy. Mr. Griffiths would like to see what a high performing district looks like in a pie shape chart compared to our district.
  - b. Mr. Davidson praised the efforts of Ms. Barbara Cavanah at the Tech Expo.

c. Mr. Davidson read an excerpt concerning liabilities in the even there is an unsuccessful Charter. Mr. Davidson questioned the hotline and its anonymity of the reports. He spoke concerning the computers that were replaced, and he questioned their potential use.

d. Robin Smith-Martin asked if any members have any topics for their first community meeting for HOB. Mr. Davidson suggested having a transition event for the community and both schools. He also announced a potential one out carve out with the Senator due to unique situation. The Board needs a proposal to move forward. Consensus received. He also spoke concerning amendments to charter schools. What is the expectation of our staff to produce guidelines for Charter Amendments.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### 1. Operating Services: 2.7.2013

a. Computer Software – Superintendent Porter clarified for the Board the use of the software and explained the District has software in certain computers the ability to do what Mr. Dick questioned. Schoolview is designed to monitor student activity of laptops.

b. HOB Construction Update – Clearly the number one priority is having the building ready for students at the beginning of the school year. Superintendent Porter spoke concerning the Change Orders and are moving forward in bringing the information to the Board. The 26<sup>th</sup> Board meeting will present the parking lot issue for consideration. Mr. Davidson suggested looking at the \$134K associated costs for the soccer field and put that towards the cost of the parking lot.

2. Superintendent conducted a survey on best practices on bullying initiatives. He outlined the District looking at best practices district wide.

a. Break Through Coaching was brought to the district and are able to have many participants.

b. Ethicspoint hotline was discussed with future Board action forthcoming.

c. He spoke concerning the Tech Expo, and commended all involved with the success of this event.

d. Mr. Porter spoke concerning his meetings with the Principals to review their Student Improvement Plans.

e. The Take Stock in Children Donor Forum was successful and spoke concerning former students and put a face on the opportunities TSIC offer our students.

f. The School Board's February meeting may begin at 3:00 PM.

### **CITIZEN INPUT**

Jennifer Flores and Sarah Smith spoke concerning Ocean Studies Charter.

### **SPECIAL ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent,**

John Dick moved, and seconded by Robin Smith-Martin.

1. Approve Technical Correction of School Board Policy #4120, Employment of Support Staff.

Motion passed without objection  
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**Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent,**

Robin Smith-Martin motioned, Ron Martin seconded to adopt

2. Approval of Prequalified Contractor List for RFQ- 514.

Dirk Smits said we are more than able to approve this as is.

Motion passed without objection

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*Andy Griffiths*

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Chairman

*Mark T. Porter*

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Superintendent