

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MINUTES, NOVEMBER 17, 2015

The School Board of Escambia County, Florida, convened an Organizational Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in Room 160, at the J.E. Hall Educational Services Center, 30 East Texar Drive, Pensacola, Florida, with the following present:

School Board Members: Mr. Jeff Bergosh, District I
Mr. Gerald W. Boone, District II
Mrs. Linda Moultrie, District III
Mrs. Patricia Hightower, District IV
Mr. Bill Slayton, District V

School Board General Counsel: Mrs. Donna Session Waters

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Malcolm Thomas

Meeting was advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on November 2, 2015 - Legal No. 1649130

NOTE: The minutes from this session have been prepared according to *Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.
The video from this session is available at <http://escambiacountysdf1.swagit.com/play/11172015-955>

I. WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER

The Superintendent called the Organizational Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. On motion by Mrs. Hightower and second by Mr. Boone, adoption of the agenda, carried unanimously.

II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Jeff Bergosh, School Board Member, District I, delivered the invocation and then led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

III. ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

(Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 1001.371)

A. Election of Chairman for 2015-2016

Mrs. Hightower nominated Mr. Bill Slayton, School Board Member for District V, to serve as Chairman for 2015-2016. There being no further nominations, the Superintendent called for the vote. The nomination of Mr. Slayton to serve as Chairman for 2015-2016 carried unanimously.

B. Election of Vice Chairman for 2015-2016

Mr. Slayton nominated Mr. Gerald Boone, School Board Member for District II, to serve as Vice Chairman for 2015-2016; however, Mr. Boone respectfully declined the nomination and instead nominated Mrs. Linda Moultrie, School Board Member for District III. There being no further nominations, the Superintendent called for the vote. The nomination of Mrs. Moultrie to serve as Vice Chairman for 2015-2016 carried unanimously.

C. Designation of Date, Time, and Location of Regular Monthly Workshop and Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Bergosh and seconded by Mrs. Moultrie, to maintain the current schedule of monthly workshops and meetings, with:

- *Regular Meetings to be held on the third Tuesday of each month, beginning at 5:30 p.m.;*
 - *Special Workshops (for the purpose of open discussion and presentations) to be held on the Thursday, prior to the Regular Meeting, beginning at 3:00 p.m.; and*
 - *Regular Workshops to be held on the Friday prior to the Regular Meeting, beginning at 9:00 a.m.*
- Unless otherwise advertised, each monthly workshop and meeting would be held in Room 160, at the J.E. Hall Educational Services Center.*

Motion to maintain the current schedule of monthly workshops and meetings carried unanimously.

D. Appointment of Parliamentarian

Motion was made by Mrs. Hightower and seconded by Mr. Slayton, to appoint the School Board General Counsel, Mrs. Donna Sessions Waters, as Parliamentarian. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Selection of Parliamentary Procedure

Motion was made by Mrs. Moultrie and seconded by Mr. Boone, to designate the latest version of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* as the parliamentary procedure to be followed for the conduct of official business of the School Board. Motion was approved unanimously.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Installation Ceremony & Organizational Meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Superintendent

Chair