



Hernando School District

School Board Workshop

Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

2:00 PM

District Office-Board Room
919 N. Broad Street
Brooksville, FL 34601

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Board Chair Kayce Hawkins
Vice Chair Shannon Rodriguez
Board Member Michelle Bonczek
Board Member Susan Duval
Board Member Mark Johnson

The Workshop was called or to order at 2:16 P.M. Also present were Robert Meyers, School Board Attorney, and Ray Pinder, Superintendent.

PRESENTATIONS

1. [26-3638](#) Student Safety Presentation Titled Traffic Stops & Teen Drivers - Staying Safe, Smart, and In-Control by Assistant State Attorney D. Robert Lewis of the Office of the State Attorney, Fifth Judicial Circuit

Attachments: [Young Driver Presentation](#)
[Budget Sheet Sept 2021 Revised NO Financial Impact ACC](#)

John Morris, Director of Secondary Programs, and D. Robert Lewis, Assistant State Attorney, came forward to present this item.

There is no cost for this program. Concerns about program being curriculum aligned. Suggestion of notification to parents/consent forms with opt in option (maybe through Parent Square).

Consensus from the board is to move forward. Mr. Morris to coordinate with high schools for implementation.

2. [26-3587](#) Presentation of Sunrise School Site Update, by Brian Ragan, Director of Facilities & Construction, and Jim Lipsey, School Planner.

Attachments: [26-3587 Sunrise School Site Update PRESENTATION.pdf](#)
[26-3587 Sunrise Property Access License Agreement DRAFT.pdf](#)
[26-3587 Budget Sheet NO Financial Impact](#)

Brian Ragan, Director of Facilities & Construction, and Jim Lipsey, School Planner, came forward to present this item.

Board consensus is to not move forward with this. Item will be brought back with a

rejection letter.

- 3. [26-3647](#) Review and Tentative Approval of Neola Policy 5517 Anti-Harassment.

Attachments: [po5517 Anti-Harassment Budget Sheet Sept 2021 Revised NO Financial Impact ACC](#)

Barbara Kidder, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Support Operations came forward to present this item. Mr. Meyers mentioned that some verbiage that may need to be looked at in regard to the definition of the word "incident". It was stated that the verbiage in this policy is from DOE.

Mrs. Rodriguez asked for data on the two different policies: 5517 harassment, and 5517.01 bullying. Ms. Duval explained that there are two separate items in the Student Code of Conduct on both harassment and bullying.

Mr. Pinder stated that he will have Jill Kolasa do a presentation on the practice of how this comes together.

- 4. [26-3571](#) Review and Tentative Approval of Neola Policy - 5460 Graduation Requirements.

Attachments: [Revised policy 5460 Graduation Requirements Budget Sheet Sept 2021 Revised NO Financial Impact ACC](#)

Barbara Kidder, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Support Operations, came forward to present this item.

GENERAL COUNSEL

ADDENDUM ITEMS

GOOD OF THE ORDER/BOARD DISCUSSION

School Board Comments

ADJOURNMENT

The Workshop adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Superintendent

Board Chair

Mission Statement

The Hernando County School District Collaborates with students, parents and other community stakeholders to effectively prepare all students for a successful transition into a diverse and changing world.
