



Hernando School District

School Board Informal Meeting

Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

1:00 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER

Present Board Chair Shannon Rodriguez
Board Member Michelle Bonczek
Board Member Susan Duval
Board Member Kayce Hawkins

Absent Vice Chair Mark Johnson

The Informal Meeting was called to order at 1:01 P.M. Also present were Alan Gabriel, School Board Attorney, and Ray Pinder, Superintendent.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

An informal meeting of the School Board has been scheduled for general discussion among Board Members on Educational Matters

Topics of Discussion:

- 1. Chris Wilson, Attorney from CJ Wilson attended virtually to provide an update to the board on the Sunrise Development. Jim Lipsey, School Planner, and Brian Ragan, Director of Facilities and Construction, were also in attendance. After some discussion, the consensus is to move forward with the appeal.*
- 2. Ray Pinder - Provided an update on generator issues at Challenger. A new one is needed. This school serves as a special needs shelter which is very large. In speaking with Jeff Rodgers, County Administrator, wanted to see if the district and county can together, ask the state for an appropriation for \$1M. The district and county would split the balance. Consensus granted.*
- 3. Shannon Rodriguez - District pool for school swim teams. Mr. Pinder stated they can find out what other counties do.*
- 4. Michelle Bonczek - District venue for larger events.*
- 5. Kayce Hawkins - VRBO and AirBNB field trips would like to make sure we do not use them. Consensus to bring this topic back for discussion at a workshop.*

The Board recessed at 1:48 P.M. and reconvened at 1:55 P.M.

6. Shannon Rodriguez - *Would like Informal Meetings possibly 2x per month or extend the one meeting to longer than one hour.*

7. Shannon Rodriguez - *Selection of book review committees. Consensus to bring this topic back for discussion at a workshop.*

[25-2753](#) Handouts from the Informal Meeting December 10, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:04 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.
