

I. Call to Order

Call to Order: Chairman Arnold

Present: District 1 – Joe Arnold, Chairman
District 2 – Malissa Morgan, Vice Chairman
District 3 – Dixie Ball
District 4 – India Riedel
District 5 – Jill Holcomb

Ken Kenworthy, Superintendent of Schools
Tom Conely, School Board Attorney

Invocation: Rev. Dallasteen Yates, St. Stephens AME Church
Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Chairman Arnold

II. Resolutions/Proclamations

A. PROCLAMATION – BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board adopt a proclamation designating February, 2015, as *Black History Month* for the School District of Okeechobee County.

**PROCLAMATION
BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Okeechobee County School Board recognizes that important African-Americans and events have shaped American culture; and

WHEREAS, the Florida theme for the 2015 Black History Month is "A Celebration of African-American Innovation and Innovators;" and

WHEREAS, Black History Month recognizes the many ways African-Americans have enriched our communities, culture and history; and

WHEREAS, African-American innovators have had an incredible impact on Florida, making it an excellent place to live, work, and visit; and

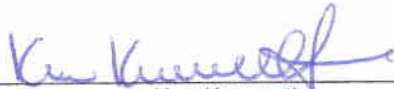
WHEREAS, we can teach our children that America's story has been written by men and women of every race, creed, and ethnic background; and we can ensure that our laws, our actions, and our words honor the rights and dignity of every human being.

NOW THEREFORE, the School Board of Okeechobee County, Florida, does hereby proclaim the month of February, 2015, as:

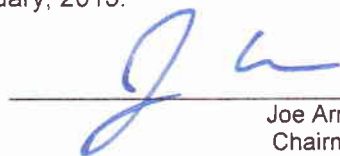
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Passed and adopted this 10th day of February, 2015.

ATTEST:



Ken Kenworthy
Superintendent of Schools



Joe Arnold
Chairman



Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Vote:	5-0 In Favor
Present to accept the Proclamation were Rev. Dallasteen Yates, St. Stephens AME Church, and a group of students representing the St. Stephens AME Church.	

B. PROCLAMATION – CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board adopt a proclamation designating February, 2015, as *Career and Technical Education Month* for the School District of Okeechobee County.



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, February 1-28, 2015, has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education offers students the opportunity to gain the academic, technical, and employability skills necessary for true career readiness; and

WHEREAS, students in career and technical education programs participate in authentic, meaningful experiences that improve the quality of their education and increase student engagement and achievement; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education provides students with career exploration opportunities earlier in their educational experience, which enables them to make informed and beneficial decisions about their academic coursework as well as pursuit of established programs of study and career pathways; and

WHEREAS, leaders from business and industry nationwide report increasing challenges related to the skills gap and connecting qualified professionals with available careers in critical and growing CTE-related fields, including healthcare, energy, advanced manufacturing, and information technology; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education prepares students for these and other fulfilling careers by offering integrated programs of study that link secondary and postsecondary education and lead to the attainment of industry-recognized credentials; and

WHEREAS, ensuring that employers have access to a qualified workforce is a crucial step in ensuring productivity among the business and industry communities as well as continued American economic growth and global competitiveness;

NOW THEREFORE, the School Board of Okeechobee County, Florida, does hereby proclaim February 1-28, 2015, as

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH


in Okeechobee County Schools and urges all citizens to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by the career and technical education programs in this community and to support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual work skills and productivity.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of February, 2015.

ATTEST:



Ken Kenworthy
Superintendent of Schools



Joe Arnold
Chairman



Motion:	Dixie Ball
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Vote:	5-0 In Favor
Present to accept the Proclamation were Lonnie Steiert, Coordinator of Grants & Special Programs who introduced the following CTE teachers: Jason Anderson, Steve Szentmartoni, Karen Giles, Denise Kelchner, Brian Trimble, Buddy Mills, Jay Adler, Marshall Gerbitz, and Katie Lawson.	

C. PROCLAMATION – ASSESSMENT & ACCOUNTABILITY

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board adopt a resolution regarding "Assessment & Accountability:"

RESOLUTION

ASSESSMENT & ACCOUNTABILITY

School District of Okeechobee County, Florida

WHEREAS, the School Board of Okeechobee County is committed to the success of all students and believes that our nation's future well-being relies on high quality public education that prepares students for college, careers, and life-long learning; and

WHEREAS, the State's high-stakes, standardized testing continues to grow in both scope and magnitude, resulting in numerous consequences that diminish the capacity of teachers to influence student learning including the loss of instructional time, the use of a single score to define successful teaching and learning, and the narrowing of curriculum which should instead focus on a broad range of learning experiences for students promoting creative and critical thinking, collaboration, and problem solving; and

WHEREAS, the continuous revisions by Florida's Legislators and the Florida State Board of Education to curriculum standards, assessments, accountability measures, cut scores, time frames, technology requirements, scoring criteria, and the required infrastructure needed for all mandated tests have drained district human and financial resources and have resulted in unreliable and inconsistent data that challenges the ability to accurately analyze trends in student achievement and the ability to confidently examine individual student learning gains or learning declines from one year to the next, thus defeating the original purpose of testing; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Standards Assessments, based on the newly established Florida Standards, do not yet have the statistical credibility required for high-stakes, standardized testing, have not had time to be properly implemented, vetted, or studied, and may lead to unnecessary retention, remediation, or inability of students to earn a high school diploma; and these assessments are not correlated to national or international assessment instruments, which prevents meaningful comparisons of both student achievement and progress in Florida, with student achievement and progress with other states and countries; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board of Okeechobee County, Florida:

- Calls upon the Governor of Florida, the Florida Legislature, the Florida Department of Education, and the Florida State Board of Education to provide no less than a two-year transition to July 1, 2016, for the accountability and measurement of the full implementation of the Florida Standards. During this transition period, students, teachers, school administrators, schools, and districts would be held harmless, and
- Supports the administration of the Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) this year and the use of the results as a baseline for measuring progress. Since the State's accountability relies on both learning gains as well as performance, and in the first year of FSA administration there will be no learning gains, its ability to drive accountability is compromised.
- Supports a two-year delay through 2015-16 in the use of Florida State Assessment results to determine student promotion, graduation, as well as teacher and administrator evaluation; and supports school grades being frozen through 2015-16 to ensure two consecutive years of reliable and valid data. Until then, school districts should have the flexibility to make their own decisions about standards for student promotion, graduation, and employee performance; and the State Board of Education should empower a representative panel of stakeholders including educators, parents, and community members who represent Florida and who would oversee implementation of the accountability system and validate that all segments are fair, reliable, accurate, and properly funded; and
- Supports elimination of the requirement for 11th grade ELA Florida State Assessment and all new End Of Course exams; allowing for the determination of teacher evaluations based on local data; and ensuring adequate technology readiness for the statewide computer-based testing; and
- Calls upon the Governor of Florida, the Department of Education, and the State Legislature to ensure that no personally identifiable student information derived from education records will be accessible to any individual, institution, or entity for any improper, unauthorized, and/or non-educational purposes; and

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- Calls on the United States Congress and Administration to overhaul the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, currently known as "No Child Left Behind Act," reduce the testing mandates, promote multiple forms of evidence of student learning and school quality in accountability, and not mandate any fixed role for the use of student test scores in evaluating educators.

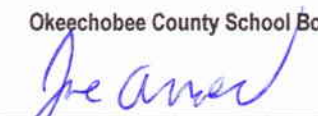
ADOPTED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD OF OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, IN REGULAR SESSION, THIS 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015, IN OKEECHOBEE, FLORIDA..


ATTEST:


Superintendent of Schools


Okeechobee County School Board

By:


Joe Arnold, Chairman, District 1


Malissa Morgan, Vice Chairman, District 2


Dixie Ball, Member, District 3


India Riedel, Member, District 4


Jill Holcomb, Member, District 5



Motion:	Malissa Morgan
Second:	Jill Holcomb
Discussion/Additional Information	<p>Chairman Joe Arnold commented that this resolution is very important considering what school districts have seen from the State Legislators, Department of Education, and State Board of Education regarding increased requirements for testing. He stated that the demand on students, teachers, and schools is unreasonable.</p> <p>Superintendent Kenworthy asked Toni Wiersma, Principal, Okeechobee High School, to address the Board regarding new 11th grade assessment requirements. Ms. Wiersma thanked the Board for the Assessment & Accountability Resolution and stated that many teachers have also expressed their appreciation for the Board's stand on this issue.</p> <p>Ms. Wiersma explained that the new Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) English Language Arts (ELA) assessment for juniors offers no reward or penalty for the students to take the test. It is applicable only to the school grade. Even so, students who are enrolled in Indian River State College dual enrollment courses must be called back to Okeechobee High School to take FSA ELA, causing them to miss up to three (3) of their dual enrollment classes. In addition, having juniors take the FSA ELA causes disruption of instruction for courses in which there is multi-grade participants. Ms. Wiersma stated that it will be difficult to force juniors to sit for the FSA when it has no effect for them. Ms. Wiersma requested that the Board advocate for removing the FSA ELA assessment requirement for juniors.</p> <p>Vice Chairman Malissa Morgan asked how the FSA ELA affects the school grade for Okeechobee High School. Ms. Wiersma explained that the school grade is lowered by one grade if at least 95% of the school's students are not tested.</p>
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

III. Recognition Items

Staff Recognition

- ★ School Bookkeepers – Perfect Audits of Internal Accounts
 - Theresa Lawrence, Everglades Elementary School
 - Bonnie Roehm, North Elementary School
 - Dorina Coker, Seminole Elementary School
 - Randi Archibald, South Elementary School
 - Debbie Hill, Osceola Middle School
 - Laura Fonseca, OHS/Freshman Campus
 - Dawn Radebaugh, Okeechobee High School
 - Jennifer Harden, Okeechobee Achievement Academy

III. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of Meeting on January 20, 2015

Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Dixie Ball
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

IV. Items for Action

Chairman Arnold asked if there were any changes, additions, or deletions to the Items for Action. Superintendent Kenworthy requested addition of V.I. *Impact Fees* and to rearrange the order of items, placing the item at the beginning of Items for Action.

Approval of Items for Action Agenda with the addition of Item V.I., placing it first on the agenda:	
Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

I. IMPACT FEES

Superintendent’s Recommendation: That the Board provide direction for the balance of funds collected through Impact Fees.

Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Discussion/Additional Information	<p>John Cassels, Attorney for the Board of County Commissioners, addressed the Board regarding refund of unused impact fees made available by the School Board joining with the County Commissioners’ ordinance to terminate collection of impact fees. The original County ordinance for the collection of impact fees included a provision for the refund of fees, including interest and a 3% holdback for administrative fees. Mr. Cassels has created a computer-based system for the return of impact fees in accordance with the ordinance and is prepared to include the School Board in the same service.</p> <p>Chairman Arnold commented that it appears that the Board has three choices in this matter: (1) the Board can contract with Mr. Cassels, (2) have someone else do it, or (3) spend the money.</p> <p>Superintendent Kenworthy explained that the unused impact fees for the District had been earmarked for a capital project to remodel an area at Yearling Middle School that would add more student stations. However, since the funds were not encumbered by December, 2014, they cannot be expended, according to the County ordinance.</p> <p>Tom Conely, School Board Attorney, advised the School Board that since they were a factor in the ordinance to cease collection of impact fees, they should show good faith by returning unused funds to eligible parties. Member India Riedel agreed, adding that she strongly believes that the collection of impact fees is an efficient and smart procedure for providing necessary infrastructure in times of rapid community growth.</p>

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	After further discussion of legal issues and procedures, the Board decided to contract the services of John Cassels, Cassels & McCall, PA, to provide program design, implementation, and processing of refunds for remaining impact fees collected by the County for the Okeechobee County School Board. A motion, second to the motion, and vote by the School Board to approve a contract with John Cassels for a fee of \$8,000.00 for the processing of impact fee refunds was made as shown below. A 3% administrative fee to be withheld from the impact fee refunds will help offset the \$8,000 cost.
Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

A. EXPULSION OF #15-04, 7TH GRADE STUDENT

Superintendent's Recommendation: That #15-04, a 7th grade student at Okeechobee Achievement Academy, be expelled for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year and that a final order for expulsion of this student be issued based upon the following act of misconduct and violation of the *Code of Student Conduct*:

G. Inappropriate Conduct

2. Disruptive Behavior – Disrespect, disruptive behavior and minor confrontations.

Motion:	Dixie Ball
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Discussion/Additional Information	Renée Geeting, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, stated that this student was enrolled at the Okeechobee Achievement Academy and failed to follow the rules of the Alternative Education Program. This student is enrolled in a home education program.
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

B. ADVERTISEMENT TO AMEND BOARD POLICY 3.50 PUBLIC INFORMATION AND INSPECTION OF RECORDS

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board approve advertisement to amend Board Policy 3.50 Public Information and Inspection of Records to bring the policy into agreement with current statutes.

Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Discussion/Additional Information	Superintendent Kenworthy commented that the proposed amendment is recommended by the Board's consultant for School Board Policies to align with Florida Statute 119.071.
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

C. ADVERTISEMENT TO AMEND BOARD POLICY 6.58 REPORT OF MISCONDUCT

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board approve advertisement to amend Board Policy 6.58 Report of Misconduct to bring the policy into agreement with current statutes.

Motion:	Malissa Morgan
Second:	Jill Holcomb
Discussion/Additional Information	Superintendent Kenworthy commented that the proposed amendment is recommended by the Board's consultant for School Board Policies to align with Florida Statute 119.071.
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

D. STUDENT EDUCATION RECORDS MANUAL

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board approve the Student Education Records Manual.

Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Discussion/Additional Information	Superintendent Kenworthy explained that Board approval of procedures on student records is required by School Board Policy 5.50.
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

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E. AGREEMENT WITH SYNOVIA SOLUTIONS, LLC

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board approve a five-year agreement with Synovia Solutions, LLC for GPS services for 19 district-owned vehicles at an annual cost of \$3,141.84.

This item was pulled by Superintendent Kenworthy at the request of Tom Conely, School Board Attorney.

F. DUAL ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT WITH INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board approve a Dual Enrollment Agreement with Indian River State College effective August 15, 2015, through December 31, 2015, to implement the Collegiate High School program pursuant to Senate Bill 850.

Motion:	Malissa Morgan
Second:	Jill Holcomb
Discussion/Additional Information	Superintendent Kenworthy explained that Senate Bill 850 requires collegiate high schools. This agreement allows high school seniors to complete up to 30 college credit hours through dual enrollment.
Vote:	4-0 In Favor Abstained – Joe Arnold abstained due to a conflict of interest in that he is a full-time employee of Indian River State College.

G. MASTER BOARD TRAINING

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board consider participation in Master Board Training provided by the Florida School Boards Association.

Motion:	India Riedel
Second:	Jill Holcomb
Discussion/Additional Information	Superintendent Kenworthy provided information to the Board regarding available dates and locations for the first training session. The other three (3) sessions will be presented on-site. Superintendent Kenworthy also gave the Board a list of modules from which they may choose for the on-site sessions. After discussion, the Board was in agreement to participate in the Master Board training and chose May 6-7, 2015, in Kissimmee, as their first choice for the initial training session. Their second choice was September 17-18, 2015, in Kissimmee.
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

H. DIRECTION OF THE BOARD REGARDING TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS POLICY

Superintendent's Recommendation: That the Board provide direction for the Superintendent regarding policy for tobacco-free schools and District-owned property.

Motion:	Malissa Morgan
Second:	Jill Holcomb
Discussion/Additional Information	<p>Superintendent Kenworthy provided the results of a two-part phone survey sent out over Blackboard Connect. The first question asked if the person receiving the call is in favor of a tobacco-free policy for all school campuses, district-owned property, and district-owned vehicles. The second part asked the participant to identify themselves as a parent, student, employee, or community member. There were 2,450 responses received with 73% voting in favor of a tobacco-free policy and 27% voting against such a policy.</p> <p>Superintendent Kenworthy discussed data from the Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey, a self-reporting survey of youth. In 2004, 17.8% of high school students in Okeechobee reported smoking cigarettes in the past 30 days. This has fallen to 7.3% in 2014; however, the 2014 state average for cigarette smoking was 4.9%.</p> <p>Superintendent Kenworthy also provided sample Board policies from Martin, St. Lucie, Palm Beach, and Highlands Counties. The policies vary from one line to several pages long.</p>

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	<p>The Board discussed their positions on implementing a tobacco-free policy, including the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problems dealing with enforcement • A 24/7/365 clause in the policy • Smoking at athletic events • Negative effects of a tobacco free policy on recruiting staff • Positive effects for students • Health consequences <p>Courtney Moyett, Tobacco Prevention Specialist, Okeechobee County Health Department, addressed the Board. She explained that the mention of "7 days per week/24 hours per day/365 days per year" is to insure that there will be no use of tobacco on overnight trips and other such events. Ms. Moyett stated that there are only six counties in the state that do not have tobacco-free policies, and she urged the Board to adopt a policy. She stated that in doing so, the District would make itself eligible for the gold level designation in the Healthy Schools program.</p> <p>The Board was addressed by Savannah Goggans, student and president of the SWAT Club, who also urged the Board to implement a tobacco-free policy.</p> <p>After discussion by the Board, and a motion by India Riedel, seconded by Jill Holcomb, the Board requested that Superintendent Kenworthy bring a recommended policy to the Board for consideration.</p>
Vote:	<p>The motion passed with a 4-1 vote as follows:</p> <p>Joe Arnold – No Malissa Morgan – Yes Dixie Ball – Yes India Riedel – Yes Jill Holcomb - Yes</p>

VI. Consent Agenda

Chairman Arnold asked if there were any changes, additions, or deletions to the *Consent Agenda*. There were no requests.

Motion To Approve Remainder of Consent Agenda:	India Riedel
Second:	Malissa Morgan
Vote:	5-0 In Favor

A. EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School or Center</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Algarin, Deliris	Aide, ESE Guidance Clerical	Seminole Elementary School	01-15-2015
Harris, Krischell	Teacher, ESE	South Elementary School	01-20-2015
Harwas, Oliver J.	Custodian II	Okeechobee High School	01-20-2015
Klima, Matthew	Teacher, Social Studies	Osceola Middle School	01-20-2015
Latino, Thomas (Out of Field Reading/PE)	Teacher, Social Studies/Reading/PE	Osceola Middle School	01-12-2015
Platt, Jeffry (Out of Field)	Teacher, Reading	Osceola Middle School	01-29-2015
Purvis, Phillip W.	Custodian II	Yearling Middle School	01-13-2015
Smith, Steven (Out of Field)	Teacher, PE	North Elementary School	01-20-2015

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B. RESIGNATION, TERMINATION, AND SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYMENT

Name	Position	School or Center	Effective Date
Geeting, Greg (Retirement)	Teacher, ESE	Yearling Middle School	02-02-2015
Klein, LaVerne (Retirement)	Secretary	District Office	07-01-2015
Paige, Donald Joe (Retirement)	Teacher, Elementary	Seminole Elementary School	05-01-2015
Schneider, Erika (Retirement)	Bus Driver	Transportation	06-08-2015
Scott, Lauren	Teacher, Language Arts	Osceola Middle School	01-19-2015
Walters, Suzanne	Bus Driver	Transportation	03-02-2015

Correction to the following effective date approved on the December 9, 2014, Board meeting:

Michaels, Rebecca	Bus Driver	Transportation	12-19-2014	11-19-2014
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C. TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL

Name	Transfer From	Transfer To	Effective Date
Ruiz, Rosa	Aide, ESE Guidance Clerical Seminole Elementary School	Advocate, Migrant Seminole Elementary School	01-15-2015
Walsh, Kelly	Teacher, Elementary Everglades Elementary School	Teacher, Social Studies Osceola Middle School	01-06-2015

D. ADDITIONS TO SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIST FOR 2014-15

Name	Rank
Cowan, Nathaniel	III
Huff, Mary	III

E. PAYMENTS TO PERSONNEL

Name/Group	Purpose	Rate of Pay	Time Period (Maximum)	Funding Source
Brian Dryden	Additional Class Period – 7 th Period Agriculture	Hourly Rate of Pay	2014-15	OHS Budget
Rosa Ruiz	Assist Migrant Students & Families with Translation	\$12.00 Per Hour	30 Hours 1/15/15-6/18/15	4517 – Title I Migrant

Correction to the following number of hours approved on the December 9, 2014, Board meeting:

Sharon Whitaker	Plato Curriculum Writing	\$13.50 Per Hour	75 100 Hours 7/1/14-6/1/15	4521 – Title II
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F. FLORIDA INVENTORY OF SCHOOL HOUSES (FISH) CERTIFICATION

The Board approved the Florida Inventory of School Houses (FISH) Certification of Facilities Data.

Q. WARRANT REGISTER FOR JANUARY, 2015

The Board approved the Warrant Register for January, 2015, as follows:

General Disbursement Account – Warrants #153530 thru #153871

Operating General Fund	\$ 1,569,749.82
Federal Programs Fund	149,200.76
Food Service Fund	129,953.14
Capital Improvement Fund	91,405.79
Total	<u>\$ 1,940,309.51</u>

IX. Information Items

A. SUPERINTENDENT

- Food Services will be serving free breakfast for all students beginning March 2 through the end of the school year.
- Superintendent Kenworthy provided a Human Resources Timeline listing information in the following areas:
 - ✓ Evaluation Due Dates
 - ✓ Advertisement Dates for Anticipated Vacancies
 - ✓ Due Dates for Allocations and Reappointments
 - ✓ HRMD Re-Write
- Superintendent Kenworthy discussed distribution of the adopted Assessment & Accountability resolution. The Board suggested the Governor, the Commissioner, and State and U.S. Congressmen.
- Superintendent responded to a request from the School Board to schedule a Board visit to schools. He explained that schedules for the remainder of the year are very tight, but that it would be possible to visit three (3) schools on February 24th. The Board decided to postpone school visits at this time.

B. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

- Malissa Morgan – Ms. Morgan asked about the 11th grade FSA ELA assessment and possible consequences. She stated that if 95% of 11th graders do not take the FSA ELA, the consequence is that the school grade for OHS will drop by one letter. She asked if there is a possibility that the school grade could drop by more than one letter grade if 95% of the juniors take the test, but do not take it seriously enough to score well. Superintendent Kenworthy responded that it is correct that if 95% of juniors do not take the FSA ELA, there will be a one grade penalty for the High School. He said that one reason that we say the 11th grade FSA counts for nothing is that the District contacted DOE and asked if a student did not pass the 10th grade FCAT, would passing the FSA in 11th grade count as the graduation requirement. The answer was no. The Commissioner met with Superintendents, and she stated that the reason an 11th grade ELA is administered is due to involvement in PARCC and the instructions from PARCC requiring the 11th grade ELA. However, the State has withdrawn from PARCC but state law still requires us to administer the test. Nevertheless, the Commissioner stated that she could not think of one reason why we would not want the 11th grade FSA ELA assessment data. Toni Wiersma added that 11th graders who did not pass the current FCAT at 10th grade will have to take both assessments causing additional loss of instructional time. Mrs. Wiersma stated one positive test OHS is offering this year is a free SAT administration to all 11th grade students during the school day. Scoring well on the SAT will prove college readiness and increases a student's chance to be admitted to college.

C. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY - NONE

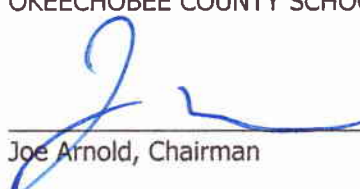
- Tom Conely – Mr. Conely commended the Board members for their handling of impact fee refunds and their engagement of John Cassels to complete the process.

D. PUBLIC - NONE

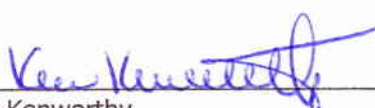
X. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, on a motion by Dixie Ball, seconded by Malissa Morgan, the Board adjourned at 8:10 p.m. The next regular meeting of the School Board is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at 700 S.W. 2nd Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida.

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD



Joe Arnold, Chairman



Ken Kenworthy
Superintendent of Schools