

Volusia County Schools  
~School Board Notes~

January 28, 2014  
School Board Meeting

**FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The school board heard a report regarding the governor's proposed 2014-15 budget for K-12 education. It is an increase of \$542 million or about half of last year's increase. The average per pupil funding is about \$200 below the per pupil funding in 2007-08 before the great recession; however, it is important to note Volusia will fall under the average because of the effect of the District Cost Differential (DCD). The district is waiting for specifics regarding restrictions and flexibility. It appears significant funds are targeted for training. For 2013-14, much of the increased funding was targeted to teacher and school administrator salaries.

**HALF-CENT EXTENSION CAPITAL PROJECTS LIST**

The school board approved the [capital projects list](#) recommended by the board-appointed Citizen's Capital Needs Committee for the half-cent extension. The committee, which is comprised of a broad representation from the community, met for a period of five months to create the list of projects that would be funded by the half-cent extension. The School Board is seeking an extension to the sales tax in order to raise money for technology, safety, facilities and other capital expenses. The current tax will expire at the end of 2016.

**COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE BROKER SERVICE**

The school board approved piggybacking the contract between the city of Deltona and Coldwell Banker Commercial Coast Realty for commercial real estate broker services and to authorize execution of the standard listing agreement for the sale of district-owned real estate. The listing agreement is for approximately 46 acres on Somerset and Irondale streets in Deltona.

**DATA DRIVEN INSTRUCTION**

The school board heard a [presentation](#) that provided an overview of the implementation of data in Volusia County Schools. Schools shared their journey of driving instruction through the use of data rooms and professional learning communities.

**RESOLUTION – SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD APPRECIATION**

The school board approved a [resolution](#) recognizing February 7 as School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The school board approved the following items:

- Emergency project for structural modifications to the cafeteria at DeLand Middle
- Emergency project for HVAC renovations at Silver Sands Middle
- Emergency project for geothermal well replacement at University High

## **NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS**

**Workshop, Thursday, January 30**, 9 a.m., Stetson University, Lynn Business Center, board room

**Regular Meeting, Monday, February 10**, 4 p.m., DeLand Administrative Complex, 200 N. Clara Avenue, DeLand

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