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COMMON CORE WORKSHOP

Tuesday, APRIL 2, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.

Stuart Middle School

575 SE Georgia Ave

Stuart, FL 34994

Members Present

Maura Barry-Sorenson, Chair

Michael Busha

Michael DiTerlizzi

Rebecca Negrón

Marsha Powers

Laurie J. Gaylord, Superintendent

Robert Kilbride, Attorney

MCEA: George Bittenbender

AFSCME: Lisa Edwards

Absent

Call to Order by the Chairman and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

1. *Common Core State Standards

Tracey Miller, Executive Director of Instructional Services, and Timothy Aitken, Principal, Crystal Lake Elementary School, presented a PowerPoint (copy attached in the file) on "What Every Community Member Needs to Know About the Shift to the Common Core State Standards".

According to the Florida Department of Education, the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) were researched, written and developed by professional educators and education experts from across the United States and agreed upon in 2010 through a state led initiative by the National Governor's Association (NGA) and Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO). Florida's State Board of Education voluntarily adopted the CCSS in 2010 followed by more than 40 states in 2011. The CCSS provide clear educational standards, while allowing local districts and schools the flexibility needed to deliver quality instruction in the classroom. The standards, which are not to be confused with curriculum or instruction, are designed to ensure all students, regardless of demography, graduate high school prepared to enter college or the workforce. The standards are internationally benchmarked and provide our students with an edge in the global jobs market by ensuring mastery of knowledge and skills needed to perform today's high-skill, high-wage occupations.

Mrs. Miller answered questions from the Board.

2. Open to the Public / Board

Public comments regarding Common Core were heard from the following;

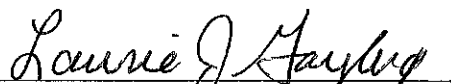
Roberta Hunter	Kate Boland
Lynne Scherrer	Bill Gilmour
Marilyn Dankner	Donna Shaare
Darlene Fuggetta	Judy Dye
Susan Auld	Mila O'Connor
Laura Pepler	Thuy Tsang

Michael DiTerlizzi commented the top schools are in Massachusetts; what is Massachusetts doing that we are not.

Rebecca Negron said she appreciated the conversation shared by the public on their view for Common Core Standards.

There being no further business, the Workshop adjourned at approximately 9:20 p.m.


CHAIR (Maura Barry-Sorenson)


SECRETARY (Laurie J. Gaylord)

*Exhibit / Additional Backup Available for Review