



CENTRAL FLORIDA PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS COALITION

MINUTES February 10, 2014



Educational Leadership Center – Conference Room A
445 West Amelia Street / Orlando, Florida 32801



1. **Welcome / Call to Order:** Chairman Rosanne Brandeburg called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Tina Calderone, Vice Chairman

3. **Approval of Minutes:** The motion to approve the minutes of January 13, 2014 was made by Jay Wheeler, Osceola County and seconded by Karen Almond, Seminole County. The motion carried unanimously.

4. **Discussion Topic:** Sales Tax Referendum

Harry Fix, Director of Growth Planning, Lake County Schools, presented information on Waging Effective Capital Campaigns that was received from the Florida Educational Facilities Planners Association (see minutes supplement file). The information covered three geographic areas including the districts of Miami-Dade, Leon and Pasco. Mr. Fix noted the commonality in all three districts was transparency, oversight and equity.

Judy Preston, Associate Superintendent for Financial Services, Brevard County Schools, presented handouts that covered available Options for Voter Referendum (see minutes supplement file). In her presentation, Ms. Preston briefly reviewed the four capital funding options and the flexibility of each with respect to the 1.5 mill. She encouraged the group to ask their legislatures for the same flexibility on the voter approved options as was available to them in the 1.5 mill.

Discussion ensued regarding Sales Tax Referendum best practices.

5. **Legislative Update:**

Chairman Brandeburg presented the final 2014 Federal Priorities and 2014 Legislative Priorities with minor changes. The motion to approve was made by Joie Cadle, Orange County and seconded by Diane Smith, Volusia County. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **Old Business:** None

7. **New Business:**

Dr. Leonard Burrello, Professor of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies and Karen Ramlackhan, Doctoral Student, reviewed a handout on Successful Educational Leadership Strategies as well as a PowerPoint presentation on schools visited in Brevard, Manatee, Osceola and Seminole (see minutes supplement file).

Candace Lankford, Volusia County, requested information/update from the National School Boards Association (NSBA) Advocacy Institute be placed on the next agenda.

8. **Adjourn:** Chairman Brandeburg adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

