

Summary of Pinellas Schools Collaborative
Meeting on April 4, 2012

The meeting was held on Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 9:00 A.M., in the Planning Department Conference Room. Those in attendance were:

Members Present:

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| Susan Latvala | Pinellas County Commissioner (Chairman) |
| Carole Cook | Pinellas County School Board |
| Peggy O'Shea | Pinellas County School Board |
| Paul Gibson | City of Clearwater |
| Julie Bujalski | City of Dunedin |

Members Absent:

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| Gigi Arntzen | City of Largo |
| Joe Ayoub | City of Safety Harbor |
| John Counts | City of Seminole |
| Bill Dudley | City of St. Petersburg |
| Jerry Mullins | City of Pinellas Park |
| Carol Reynolds | City of Madeira Beach |
| Susan Slattery | City of Tarpon Springs |

Others Present:

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| Gordon Beardslee | Pinellas County Planning Department |
| Liz Freeman | Pinellas County Planning Department |
| Ryan Brinson | Pinellas County Planning Department |
| David Sadowsky | Pinellas County Attorney Office |
| Robert C. Davis | Pinellas County DEI – Traffic |
| Linda Fisher | Pinellas Planning Council |
| Paul Geize | City of St. Petersburg |
| Danny Taylor | City of Indian Rocks Beach |
| Lauren Matcke | City of Clearwater |
| Joe Incorvia | City of Pinellas Park |
| Jenna Duncan | City of Dunedin |
| Greg Rice | City of Dunedin |
| Tom Moore | City of Largo |
| Linda Hellas | City of Pasadena |
| Mark Haber | Pinellas County Health Department |
| Mike Burke | Pinellas County School District (Transportation) |
| Frank Frail | Pinellas County School District |
| Marshall Touchton | Pinellas County School District |

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Susan Latvala called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 7, 2011 MEETING

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes.

3. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL'S INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Gordon Beardslee provided some back ground and history of the item and reminded everyone that during the 2011 Legislative session, the Legislature passed the Community Planning Act, which revised statutory requirements regarding the implementation of school concurrency, making it no longer mandatory. The School Planning Workgroup, met in July 2011 to review the legislative changes and options, and subsequently recommended to the Pinellas Schools Collaborative that school concurrency be discontinued. At the Collaborative meeting on September 2011, the Collaborative agreed with the Workgroup's recommendation, and authorized County planning staff to prepare revisions to the Public Schools Interlocal Agreement (ILA).

Gordon then referred everyone to the attached draft strike-through underline version of the ILA and then reviewed the individual sections that are proposed to change. The major change that Gordon pointed out was the deletion of Sections 9 through 13 that dealt with the implementation and maintenance of school concurrency requirements. Gordon then highlighted the changes to Section 8 regarding the composition of the Collaborative. School Board member Carol Cook asked that the word "elected" be changed to the word "appointed", since the School Board chairman does not "elect" and "appoints" members to serve in those capacities.

Gordon went on the mention that no changes were required/proposed to the Reservation of Right in Section 14 and that section 15 was added, which would essentially terminate the existing ILA and to be able to adopt the proposed new one. Lastly, Gordon re-emphasized that the remaining sections of the ILA still maintain our existing process for coordinating and sharing of information between local governments and the School District, which are still requirements under the Community Planning Act.

The Collaborative voted to approve the proposed ILA amendments with Carol Cook's suggested word change in Section 8.

4. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PINELLAS COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTING SCHOOL CONCURRENCY

Ryan Brinson discussed the proposed amendments related to the County's Public School Facilities Element which would eliminate references dealing with school concurrency. Ryan also pointed out that there are specific goals, objectives, and policies that the County is planning on retaining since they are still required for school planning and coordination purposes, as outlined in Florida Statute Chapter 163. Ryan further reviewed additional amendments that would eliminate references to school concurrency contained in the Intergovernmental Coordination Element and the Capital Improvements Element.

Ryan then walked through the proposed amendments to the County's Land Development Code that would remove the requirements which implement school concurrency. Ryan mentioned that basically, the entire section (134-262 through 266) of the Public School Facilities Concurrency Procedures would need to be "un-adopted" from the County's Code.

Lastly, Ryan discussed the proposed timeline to adopt the changes and mentioned that the County is scheduled to take these amendments to the LPA on April 12th and then to the County Commission sometime in June.

This item was intended for informational purposes only to illustrate what the County's approach will be. Copies of the Ordinance have been provided to the cities to assist them as they process similar amendments to their own Comprehensive Plans and Land Development Codes this summer.

5. PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE

After a brief discussion, it was decided that the next meeting date and time will not be scheduled at this time.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Chairman Latvala, adjourned the meeting.