

continued to be done relative to this issue of school security. Continuing, he made comments, for the interest of parents who may have questions as to whether or not schools have been adequately outfitted, and if safety had been provided for the children. In doing so, he explained the reason safety-to-life measures were taken in the School Board Administration Building and the added security needed at school sites. In closing, he said that today's presentation was an effort to give the Board the facts as they were developed.

Chief Gerald Darling presented the Board with the implemented strategies that were put in place to deal with the problems of school security. New Safety and Security Procedures were highlighted, as follows:

- School Operations and the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department will develop a plan that will restrict access to schools during high volume arrival and dismissal times. Impacted stakeholders will be involved in this process.
- All schools have designated one administrator or designee to conduct a daily safety check.
- Effective immediately, all school must submit their Safety and Security plans to the Regional Center.
- All schools are required to conduct weekly safety and security meetings with designated staff.
- All schools will dedicate on faculty meeting to safety and security related issues.

The following speakers appeared before the Board to address this item:

Ms. Eileen L. Segal, Dade County Council PTA/PTSA; Ms. Ivelisse Castro, DCC PTA/PTSA, and Senator Darryl Jones.

Ms. Rivas Logan made comments regarding school security. She said that she was happy to see that security in schools had been implemented and enforced.

Dr. Perez took this time to apologize for misquoting the amount spent in renovations and security monitoring system done at the School Board Building. She then raised questions to the Superintendent about the cost. She wanted to know the exact cost of renovating the ninth and seventh floor conference rooms. The Board Chair deemed this question out-of-order.

A-3

Dr. Rudolph F. Crew, Superintendent of Schools, recommended that The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive the proposed *Revised 2005-2008 District Strategic Plan*.

Dr. Crew introduced the item to the Board and explained the reason it was brought forth for discussion.

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RECEIVED THE
PROPOSED *REVISED*
2005-2008 DISTRICT
STRATEGIC PLAN

The following speakers appeared before the Board to address this recommendation:

Mr. Brad Sultz, Teachers; Mr. Mark Tohulka, Teachers in General; Ms. Dana Yancoskie, Ms. Megahn Hauptli, M-DCPS Teachers; Ms. Dayana Fernandez, Coral Gables Elementary; Mr. Shawn Beightol, Michael Krop Senior High; Mr. Georges Lesperance, Dr. Michael Krop Senior High; Ms. Ruth Smith, Dr. Michael Krop Senior High; Ms. Marlen Valle, All Miami-Dade County Public Schools; Ms. Silvia Jackson, Ms. Ana Blanco, Ms. Sharon Frazier-Stephens, Taxpayer/Voter; Ms. Natasha Alvarez, and Ms. Ailene Milian.

Dr. Perez advised that she felt there should have been a workshop for this item because a strategic plan was what the Board represents and what its vision was. She then raised questions to staff about the first bulleted item in Official Agenda.

Upon vote being taken, the recommendation carried 8-0. [It is noted for the record that Ms. Rivas Logan was away from the dais and unavailable to vote on this motion.]

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted to bring the B-items to the floor.

MOVED B-ITEMS TO THE FLOOR

The Chair entertained a motion to move Agenda Item B-8 to the floor for discussion at this time. Dr. Perez moved; seconded by Dr. Ingram. Upon vote being taken, the Chair said the motion failed 2-6.

B-1 - NEW BUSINESS: BOARD MEMBERS

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REPORTED NEW
BUSINESS: BOARD
MEMBERS

Ms. Greer advised the Board that on Monday, October 16, 2006 a meeting of the Affordable Housing Task Force, would be held from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the School Board Office. She said that affordable housing is a critical issue confronting this county. It was affecting private businesses as well as government in terms of retaining quality employees in Miami-Dade County. She continued to speak to this issue. Later she said that the conversation on Monday would include strategies to allow the system to facilitate its employees obtaining the benefits of this decline in the cost of housing in this county through strategic purchases, creation of a fund that will acquire bankrupted and defaulted condominium units, work with banks that will be taking back these apartments in large quantities; and otherwise be proactive in the private sector to try to enable M-DCPS' employees to take advantage of what will be a unique moment. In closing, she said that she was opposed to the school system building any residential properties, involving themselves in any joint ventures, and acquiring or using its land for any workforces housing. On the contrary, there was an opportunity to take advantage of the work of the private sector building all of the condominium units for which there are no buyers. In closing, she invited everyone to attend the meeting on Monday.

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Dr. Ingram addressed several items; as follows: