



*Broadcast live on channel 78*

**May 31, 2012 at 5:00 pm**

Special Meeting

Marathon High School

350 Sombrero Beach Road

Marathon

**MISSION STATEMENT – CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT**

**VISION STATEMENT: Graduates of Monroe County Schools are Responsible and Well Informed Global Citizens who are College and/or Career Ready.**

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**PRESIDING:** John R. Dick, Chair

**PRESENT:** John Dick; Andy Griffiths; Duncan Mathewson; Robin Smith-Martin; Ron Martin, Dr. Jesus Jara, Superintendent and School Board Attorney Dirk Smits

**Superintendent Search results:**

Mike Puto, Search Committee Chair presented the list of candidates. He stated that Dirk Smits will be given all the supporting documentation, including the minutes of all the meetings that occurred. Mr. Dick thanked Mr. Puto and the committee for their service. The committee has officially been disbanded, and all members are thanked for their service. Members of the committee that were present were introduced. Mary Chase spoke regarding the article in the paper and stated that there were negatives in other candidates as well not solely Dr. Jara. Positives should have been noted as well.

Mr. Griffiths thanked Mr. Blanton with FSBA for his service at the beginning and thanked Mr. Puto and the talented members of the committee. It gives a lot of creditability to the process. Mr. Griffiths stated that each of the three banks represented in the committee offered to sponsor meet and greet sessions county-wide for all five candidates to participate. Mr. Smith-Martin would like to see a public forum for the top three candidates.

All candidates will attend the Meet and Greets at each of the three areas of the Keys. All candidates will meet individually with each Board Member. All candidates will attend the Board meeting for a Question and Answer Session with the entire Board. Candidates are encouraged to bring their spouses to the Meet & Greet Sessions. The Board will reimburse the candidates and their spouses for their travel. Mr. Griffiths will attempt to have District Business Partners donate hotel rooms.

Dirk Smits called a closed session for both meetings in June in the Rick Smith case.

**Citizen Input**

Kim Lowell letter from Pam Korbecki  
Wendy Sullivan  
Capt Ed Davison  
Holly Hummel Gorman

**ADJOURNMENT**

*John R. Dick*

John R. Dick, Chairman

*Jesus F. Jara*

Dr. Jesus F. Jara, Superintendent