



Florida Department of Education

FLORIDA EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES PLANNERS ASSOCIATION

2019 Legislative Update 2019 Winter Conference



Overview

- Facilities contacts and programs
- Legislative review



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Facilities Programs & Contacts

Office of Educational Facilities

- Sonja Suber, Office Manager
- Violet Brown, Sr. Educational Program Director
 - Educational plant survey (public schools and Florida colleges)
 - District facilities work plan
 - Special Facility Construction Account
 - Educational Facilities Information System
- Mark Weigly, Architect, LEED AP, FCP, Educational Facilities Construction Planning Manager
 - New construction codes
 - Plans Review for new construction and building remodel/renovation
 - Building disposal (Castaldi's)
- Don Whitehead, AIA, LEED AP, Safe and Efficient Facilities Design Manager
 - Code development/interpretation
 - Construction document review (including raze requests)

Office of Educational Facilities Managers



Mark Weigly
Architect, LEED AP,
FCP, Educational
Facilities
Construction
Planning Manager



Violet Brown
Senior Educational
Program Director



Sonja Suber
Office Manager

Plans Review and Training Team



Don Whitehead
AIA, LEED AP



James Mitchell
Mechanical P.E.



Angel Rodriguez
Electrical P.E.



Annabelle Wright
Safety & Maintenance
Training

Vacant
Research & Training
Specialist

Vacant
Growth Management &
Legislative Liaison

Planning and Evaluation Team



Dale Adams

FISH Validation, District
Survey preparation, Special
Facilities Construction
Account



Jimmie Childers

FISH Validation, District
Survey Preparation, PPL,
EFIS Technical Support SREF



Cindy Goss

FISH Validation, District
Survey Preparation, Survey
Review, Special Facilities
Construction Account



Mark W. Jeter

FISH Validation, Survey
Preparation, Survey
Review, SREF

Planning and Evaluation Team



Vacant
EFIS Technical Support,
Data Analysis, Work
Plan, Reports, Project
Tracking

Jacki Vadney
College Survey, EFIS
Security Contact

Vacant
EFIS Technical
Support, Reports,
Data Analysis, SREF

Other FDOE Offices & Programs

- Division of Finance and Operations
 - Office of Funding and Financial Reporting
 - Ryan Bailey, Educational Policy Consultant, COFTE
 - Emergency Management
 - Kimberly Sadler, Director
- Florida College System
 - Financial Policy & Facilities Planning & Budgeting
 - Lisa Cook, Director, Facilities Planning & Budgeting
 - Alexander Jordan, Deputy Director, Facilities Planning & Budgeting

Interagency Programs

- Green Schools Awards Program
 - Penny Taylor, Director, Healthy Schools
 - PJ Duncan, Secondary Science Specialist, Bureau of Standards and Instruction
 - Don Whitehead, Safe and Efficient Facilities Design Manager, Office of Educational Facilities
- Domestic Security Coordinating Group
 - Florida Department of Law Enforcement
 - Educational Focus Group
 - Advisory and funding recommendations



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Legislative Update

2018 Legislative Session – Follow Up

- 2018 Legislative Session
 - HB 411 – Public records and Public Meetings/Firesafety Systems
 - Section 1 – Security & Firesafety
 - Exempts firesafety systems plans from Public Records
 - Section 2 – Security & Firesafety Systems
 - Exempts firesafety systems plans from public access
 - Section 3 – General Exemptions from public meetings
 - Exempts firesafety systems plans from public meetings
 - Section 4 – Applicability
 - Provides for retroactive application of the abovementioned exemptions

2018 Legislative Session – Follow Up

- 2018 Legislative Session
 - SB 7026 – Public Safety
 - Section 31 – Cost per Student Station
 - Provides that costs associated with physical security be excluded from the student station cost calculation if approved by the school safety specialist.
 - Cost for approved items must be below 2 percent per student station.
 - Section 44 – Grant Program Funding Physical Security of Schools
 - Provide awards to fund costs associated with improving the physical security of school buildings as identified by a security risk assessment.

2018 Legislative Session – Follow Up

- 2018 Legislative Session
 - HB 7055 – Education
 - Section 22 – Patriotic Programs
 - Require each school board to adopt rules that require the state motto, “In God We trust” to be displayed in a conspicuous place in each school of the district and in each building used by the district school board.
 - Section 44 – School District Construction Flexibility
 - Allows districts to exempt themselves from any provisions in the State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF code or manual) that limit the ability of a school to operate in a facility on the same basis as a charter school if the regional planning council determines there is sufficient shelter capacity within the district.

2019 Legislative Session

- SB 66 – Lead Reducing Water Filters
 - Would require each school district to install water filters meeting certain requirements on water sources used for drinking, food preparation, or cooking for each school built before 1986.
- HB 169 – Agriculture & Natural Resources
 - Would prohibit state funded contractors from commencing construction of certain structures without first conducting a sea level impact protection study (SLIP).

2019 Legislative Session

- SB 174 – Panic Alarms in Public Schools
 - Would require each public school building on the campus of a public elementary school, middle school, or high school to be equipped with at least one panic alarm.
- SB 246 – Public Construction
 - Would revise the amount of retainage that certain public entities and contractors may withhold from progress for any construction services contract.

2019 Legislative Session

- SB 294 – Educational Facilities
 - Educational Facilities
 - Funding sources
 - Cost per student station
- SB 62 – Students with Disabilities in Public Schools
 - May not place a student in seclusion





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