

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL OPERATIONS

**Minutes
October 26, 2001 — 8 A.M.**

RFP Review

Jim Talton announced that 6 proposals had been received in response to the RFP: Education Research and Policy Analysis Group - NC State University; KPMG; The Masonboro Group, Inc.; The McKenzie Group; MGT of America; and School Management Study Group. Copies of all had been distributed to Jim Talton, Cressie Thigpen, Ken Black, Cathy Crossland, and Dudley Flood for review. Ken Black described a scoring system used by First Citizens Bank to analyze RFP's, giving scores to 11 criteria. The committee decided to give serious consideration to proposals submitted by KPMG, the McKenzie Group, and MGT of America. Copies of these proposals will be provided to all committee members, with input to be forwarded to Jim Talton and Cressie Thigpen by close of business Tuesday, October 30. Jim and/or Cressie will contact the three consultants under consideration to discuss concerns/questions/clarification about their proposals and invite them to make oral presentations to the entire committee. Copies of the proposals will also be made available to members of the school board and the board of commissioners.

MATERIALS DISSEMINATED FOR YOUR REVIEW

Handouts were an RFP Analysis description provided by Ken Black, and Dudley Flood's recommendations concerning proposals from KPMG, The McKenzie Group, and MGT of America. Committee members were given a notebook that included materials and handouts from previous meetings.

OTHER, INCLUDING NEXT MEETING

November 12, 2001, was discussed as the preferred date for the committee to hear presentations by the 3 consultants under consideration, with November 9 and November 13 as possible alternate dates.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Holbrook

Approved:

Jim Talton, Co-chair

Cressie Thigpen, Co-chair

Membership Present:

Jim Talton (co-chair), Cressie Thigpen (co-chair), Ken Black, Cathy Crossland, Ben Goldstein, Barbara Goodmon, John Haley, John Leaston, Jeff Leiter, Tom Owen, Tom Oxholm, Dwight Pearson, Marjorie Salzman, and Billy Wilder.

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