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**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**Landings Administrative Complex**  
**1980 Landings Blvd.**  
**3:00 PM**

**December 7, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order**

The Chair convened the December 7, 2021 Board Meeting at 3:00 p.m.

The Chair called a *Moment of Silence* to recognize: the 80th Anniversary of Pearl Harbor, the Michigan School Shooting, the passing of former Superintendent, Wilma Hamilton.

**Present:**

- Jane Goodwin, Chair
- Tom Edwards, Vice Chair
- Shirley Brown
- Karen Rose
- Bridget Ziegler

**Flag Salute**

1. FLAG SALUTE

Description

Recommendation

Financial Impact:

Contact:

Flag Salute: Venice Middle School Young Marines

Cadets:

- SGT Reece Thompson
- PFC Jackson Brooks
- PFC Kaylynn Myers
- PFC Carley Pomerleau

Student Representative: Valentina Di Vanni-Santecchia, Pine View School

Musical Performance by the Sarasota High School Chamber Choir, led by Choral Director Kirby Sanders, sang the "*Star Spangled Banner*".

### **Special Presentations/Moments of Pride**

#### **2. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/MOMENTS OF PRIDE**

##### Description

Safety & Security Recognitions

Patriot Plaza - The Patterson Foundation

Teacher of the Year Finalists

##### Recommendation

##### Financial Impact:

##### Contact:

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/MOMENTS OF PRIDE**

The first presentation was for Safety & Security. Chief Enos presented the following staff for protecting students.

- Lisa Stephens - Transportation Department
- Jackie Mendolia - Emma E. Booker PE Aide
- Amber Rylak - Emma E. Booker PE Teacher

Retired Colonel Linda Gould highlighted The Patterson Foundation and Patriot Plaza in remembrance of Pearl Harbor.

The Teacher of the Year Finalists were introduced by the teacher's Principal. The Finalists are:

- Shannon Haddad, Ashton Elementary / Principal Kristi Jarvis
- Jennifer Jaso, Sarasota Middle School / Principal Jennifer Nzeza
- Lordia Urquiza, Booker High School / Principal Dr. Rachel Shelley

The District Teacher of the Year will be announced on Thursday, December 9th at the Ignite Education Awards presented by the Education Foundation.

## **Superintendents Report**

### **3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Description

Recommendation

Financial Impact:

Contact:

ASPLEN

Topics:

- Congratulations to the Teacher of the Year Finalists!
- Lisa Fisher was recently published in the Fall 2021 Journal of Reading Recovery!
- International Volunteer Day was celebrated on December 5th.
- Venice High School Madrigal performance and Venice High's Football Game
- December Winter Arts Calendar for school events are on the website.
- Thank you to all staff in the District for a terrific first semester.
- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to all!

## **Hearing of Citizens**

#### 4. HEARING OF CITIZENS

Description

Recommendation

Financial Impact:

Contact:

ASPLEN

Hearing of Citizens:

- Martin Hyde
- Erin Minor
- Kathy Schersten
- John Annis
- Natasha Larson
- Lisa Bechtold
- Diana Dill
- MyKayla Graham
- Bernadette Nwokeji
- Giacomo Mutti
- Quinn O'Connor
- Conor Murphy
- Marjorie Howell
- Melissa Radovich
- Nicholas Radovich
- Alexis Spiegelman
- Max Schoenfeld
- John Wilson
- Ashton Beaudry
- John Costanza

#### **Approval of Corrections to Consent Agenda**

#### 5. APPROVAL OF CORRECTIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

Description

Recommendation

Financial Impact:

Contact:

ASPLEN

Revisions to the agenda:

- The November 16th meeting minutes were added to Item #7 - Approval of Minutes
- One addendum was added to Item #8 - The Instructional/Classified Personnel Report
- Item #30 - District Maps and Descriptions were added
- Item added to New Business - Item #31 - Approval of purchase of Phase 4.0 desktop and notebook computers and services from Hewlett-Packard

## **Approval of Consent Agenda**

### **6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Description

N/A

Recommendation

That the Consent Agenda be approved, as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

ASPLEN

**Motion: (Voice Vote)**

That the Consent Agenda be approved, as presented.

MOTION Passed

**Vote Results:**

Ayes: Brown, Edwards, Goodwin, Rose

Nays: Ziegler

## **Consent Agenda**

Approval of Minutes

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Description

Recommendation

That the minutes be approved, as presented.

Financial Impact:

Contact:

ASPLEN

**Approval of Instructional/Classified Personnel Report**

8. APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL/CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT

Description

Recommendation

That the Human Resources Instructional/Classified Personnel report be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

Contact:

DUMAS & FOSTER/HARAYDA

**General Items**

9. APPROVAL OF THE STUDENT PROGRESSION PLAN 2021-2022

Description

The District's K-12 Student Progression Plan for 2021-2022 has been advertised and is ready for approval.

Recommendation

That the School Board of Sarasota County, Florida approve the 2021-2022 Student Progression Plan.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

RENOUF & CANTEES/COCOZZA

**Agreement/Contracts**

10. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CHARLOTTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Description

As assured through the Florida Diagnostic Learning Resources System (FDLRS) grant, the contract between the Charlotte County Public Schools and The School Board of Sarasota County, Florida provides for a position of Human Resources Specialist/Technology Specialist. The Specialist will provide assistance to the designated district in the planning and implement of a comprehensive system of personnel development to the education of youth who are exceptional and/or have unique needs based on locally assessed needs and established state priorities. The cost of the contract is \$80,156.00 and is allocated as part of the 2021-2022 FDLRS grant.

Recommendation

That the contract between the Charlotte County Public Schools and the School Board of Sarasota County, Florida for a Human Resource Specialist/Technology Specialist be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

\$80,156.00

Contact:

RENOUF & GIACOLONE/CARDENAS

11. APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN EMERSON COLLEGE AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Description

This is an agreement between the School Board of Sarasota County and Emerson College engaging in a cooperative program for the classroom field placement of students enrolled in the telehealth program with the mutual objective of preparing students for entry into the speech language pathology and audiology professions.

Recommendation

The agreement between Emerson College and the School Board of Sarasota County, Florida for speech language pathology and audiology students be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

RENOUF & FIGAREDO-ALBERTS

12. APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN 941 SPORTS INC. AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Description

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide North Port High School students/athletes with the opportunity to participate in Girls Beach Volleyball as a Florida High School Athletic Association, Inc. sanctioned sport in full compliance with all federal, state and local laws applicable to Florida public schools, including but not limited to those laws providing for a free public education and requiring equal rights to participation regardless of gender.

Recommendation

That the agreement between 941 Sports Inc. and The School Board of Sarasota County, Florida be approved.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

RENOUF & CANTEES/SLATON

13. APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN RIVERVIEW HIGH SCHOOL BEACH VOLLEYBALL INC. AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Description

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide Riverview High School students/athletes with the opportunity to participate in Girls Beach Volleyball as a Florida High School Athletic Association, Inc. sanctioned sport in full compliance with all federal, state and local laws applicable to Florida public schools, including but not limited to those laws providing for a free public education and requiring equal rights to participation regardless of gender.

Recommendation

That the agreement between RHS Beach Volleyball Inc. and The School Board of Sarasota County, Florida be approved.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

RENOUF & CANTEES/SLATON

14. APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SARASOTA HIGH SCHOOL



BEACH VOLLEYBALL BOOSTERS INC. AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF  
SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Description

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide Sarasota High School students/athletes with the opportunity to participate in Girls Beach Volleyball as a Florida High School Athletic Association, Inc. sanctioned sport in full compliance with all federal, state and local laws applicable to Florida public schools, including but not limited to those laws providing for a free public education and requiring equal rights to participation regardless of gender.

Recommendation

That the agreement between Sarasota High School Beach Volleyball Boosters Inc. and The School Board of Sarasota County, Florida be approved.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

RENOUF & CANTEES/SLATON

15. APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN VENETIAN BAY BEACH  
VOLLEYBALL LLC AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY,  
FLORIDA

Description

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide Venice High School students/athletes with the opportunity to participate in Girls Beach Volleyball as a Florida High School Athletic Association, Inc. sanctioned sport in full compliance with all federal, state and local laws applicable to Florida public schools, including but not limited to those laws providing for a free public education and requiring equal rights to participation regardless of gender.

Recommendation

That the agreement between Venetian Bay Beach Volleyball LLC and the School Board of Sarasota County, Florida be approved.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

RENOUF & CANTEES/SLATON

16. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN AMERICAN CULINARY FEDERATION (ACF) DBA SARASOTA BAY AREA CHEF'S ASSOCIATION AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FL

Description

Suncoast Technical College (STC) is authorized by the State Department of Education (DOE) to provide career training programs in accordance with Florida and State Board Educations Rules. STC desires to cooperate with ACF in implementing an apprenticeship training program. ACF has experienced staff to provide apprenticeship students with realistic work experiences and related classroom experiences. STC and ACF desire to train the students to meet the journeymen level of efficiency and enhance the skills of journeymen in their trade area.

Recommendation

That the Apprenticeship Training Program Agreement between American Culinary Federation (ACF) dba Sarasota Bay Area Chef's Association and the School Board of Sarasota County, FL be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

RENOUF & DIPILLO

**Grants**

17. APPROVAL OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN (ARP) ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS EMERGENCY RELIEF (ESSER III) GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Description

The ARP ESSER funds under the ARP Act are provided to Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) to address the impact that the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") has had, and continues to have, on elementary and secondary schools in Florida. This includes helping school districts and other LEAs safely reopen schools, restore and maintain high-quality learning environments, measure and effectively address significant learning loss, and take other actions to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the students and families who depend on our K-12 schools through September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Not less than 20 percent of such funds will be reserved to address learning loss through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning or summer enrichment, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs, and ensure that

such interventions respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs and address the disproportionate impact of the coronavirus on the student subgroups described in section 1111(b)(2)(B)(xi) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311(b)(2)(B)(xi)), students experiencing homelessness, and children and youth in foster care.

Recommendation

That the American Recovery Plan (ARP) Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief (ESSER III) funds be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

\$68,045,364.00

Contact:

RENOUF & CANTALUPO/KONRARDY

**Materials Management**

18. APPROVAL OF CLASSIFICATION OF INOPERABLE EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE AS PROPERTY TO BE DELETED

Description

The custodians of property (cost center heads) have certified it to be traded in on new equipment, unaccounted for, not repairable, or otherwise inoperable. Property still on hand after reallocation will be salvaged for any useful parts and then sold at auction.

Recommendation

That the classification of equipment and furniture, as property to be deleted, be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

CORCORAN & BRIZENDINE

19. APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE PURCHASING LIMIT BID #21-0363 FOR CLEANING OF ROOFS, OTHER STRUCTURES AND SURFACES

Description

The agreement for 'Cleaning of Roofs, Other Structures and Surfaces' was approved for award on April 16, 2019 to Awnclean USA, Inc., in the amount of \$150,000.00 for a one-year period with the option of two additional one-year periods. Facilities Department is requesting an

increase of the purchasing limit of this agreement by an additional \$25,000.00 to cover anticipated expenditures. The funds for these purchases are contained in the budgets allocated to Facilities Department.

Recommendation

That the request to increase the purchasing limit for 'Cleaning of Roofs, Other Structures and Surfaces' by an additional \$25,000.00, be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

\$25,000.00

Contact:

CORCORAN & BRIZENDINE/HAMPTON

20. APPROVAL TO PURCHASE MATERIALS AND/OR SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 (PER THE ATTACHED LIST) FROM VENDORS UNDER CONTRACT WITH A FEDERAL, STATE OR MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, OR A COOPERATIVE WITH A LEAD AGENCY THAT UTILIZED A COMPETITIVE PROCESS

Description

The Purchasing Department has researched and reviewed the competitive solicitations that are available for these purchases and has determined that the use of the attached contracts for the purpose cited presents the best value and/or is in the best interest of the School Board.

The funds for these purchases are contained in the budgets allocated to the appropriate departments and schools.

Recommendation

That the attached list of contracts for the anticipated purchase of materials and/or services, be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

See attached itemized document.

Contact:

CORCORAN & BRIZENDINE

21. APPROVAL TO AWARD BID #22-0103 FOR GYNMASIUM, BLEACHERS, AND ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

Description

Bids to provide 'Gymnasium, Bleachers, and Athletic Equipment, Maintenance and Repairs' were received from three vendors on November 4, 2021. The bid of SSE & Associates, Inc., was the best low bid meeting the advertised specifications based on a sealed scenario. Reasons for not selecting the apparent low bid are included with the bid tabulation. This bid is for a period of one year with an option to renew for two additional one-year periods. The funds for these purchases are contained in the budget allocated to the Facilities Services Department.

Recommendation

That the bid of SSE & Associates, Inc., for 'Gymnasium, Bleachers, and Athletic Equipment, Maintenance and Repairs' in an amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

Not to exceed: \$350,000.00

Contact:

CORCORAN & BRIZENDINE/HAMPTON

**Construction**

22. APPROVAL OF RANKING OF CERTIFIED AND QUALIFIED TESTING FIRMS FOR GEOTECHNICAL TESTING & MATERIALS TESTING, OR ANY PART THEREOF, AND THRESHOLD BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3)-YEARS

Description

The scope of work shall include, but not be limited to, geotechnical engineering testing and inspection services, construction materials field testing, laboratory testing, masonry testing, compaction testing, sub-surface borings and threshold inspections for a period of three (3)-years. On 11/15/2021, the Professional Services Selection Committee (PSSC) met to select certified and qualified firms for this continuing services contract. The PSSC has ranked them in accordance with School Board Policy 7.71. The estimated cost for these services for the three (3)-year period is \$450,000.00. Funds for these services are available through individual project accounts.

Recommendation

That the ranking of certified and qualified firms for Geotechnical Testing &

Materials Testing, or any part thereof, and Threshold Building Inspection Services for a period of three (3)-years be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

DUMAS & DREGER

23. ACCEPTANCE OF CONSTRUCTION SERVICES' PROJECT COMPLETION AND APPROVAL OF THE FINAL PAYMENT TO CONTRACTOR AND THE CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION FOR THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER (ESC)/TRANSPORTATION SITE IMPROVEMENTS & LOBBY SECURITY 2020 C (DESIGN/PRECONSTRUCTION/CONSTRUCTION) CONTRACT

Description

All work has been completed and all required close-out documents have been received from the contractor. The final project costs have been internally audited and are enclosed herein the final payment application **#22004498-13** to the contractor for approval. The Director of Construction Services has determined that the project is complete in accordance with state statutes.

Recommendation

That the project be accepted as complete and the final payment and certificate of substantial be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

DUMAS & DREGER

24. APPROVAL AND/OR RATIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTION SERVICES' CHANGE ORDERS

Description

The Construction Services' change orders are summarized on the enclosure for ease of review. These change orders collectively total an increase of \$779,013.70 in gross contract dollars. \$101,921.56 will be funded by the project 3101, \$366,453.42 will be funded by project 5542, \$460,560.00 will be funded by project 4007, and (\$149,921.28) will be transferred back into the district project funds.

Recommendation

That the Construction Services' change orders be approved and/or ratified as presented.

Financial Impact:

\$779,013.70

Contact:

DUMAS & DREGER

25. APPROVAL OF THE DELETION OF FIVE PORTABLE BUILDINGS  
LOCATED AT PINEVIEW SCHOOL

Description

The specified buildings have been inspected by the Construction Services and Facilities Services staff and are deemed beyond economical to repair or renovate and is more cost-effective to replace with a new building.

Funds for this demolition are encumbered within the Pineview School New Classroom Building-Vertical Construction Project #3023, Contract #22100725.

Recommendation

That the demolition and deletion of the five buildings located at Pineview School from the F.I.S.H. inventory be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

Encumbered within the project.

Contact:

DUMAS & DREGER

**Planning**

26. APPROVAL OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT -  
SARASOTA HIGH CELL TOWER

Description

The School Board of Sarasota County entered into an agreement with Sarasota Cellular Telephone Company on October 16, 2001 to lease property and cell tower at Sarasota High School. The original lease expired as of October 31, 2021. Sarasota Cellular Telephone Company's successor, New Cingular Wireless, has requested an amendment to renew and modify the original agreement and to extend the term of the lease for up to fifteen years.

Recommendation

That the School Board of Sarasota County approve the amendment to the lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless, as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

DUMAS & COMINOTTI

## **Finance**

### **27. APPROVAL OF BANKING RESOLUTION**

Description

The attached proposed banking resolution authorizes Sarasota County School District officials to conduct business with Qualified Public Depositories.

Recommendation

That the banking resolution be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

CORCORAN

## **School Board Items**

### **28. APPROVAL OF THE REVISED SCHOOL BOARD POLICY CHANGES PER LEGISLATION**

Description

The attached list of School Board policies have been revised to ensure the policies remain consistent with Florida statutes. The policies were discussed at the Board Work Session on October 19th. The policies have been advertised and are ready for final approval.

Recommendation

That the revised School Board Policies be approved as presented.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Contact:

ASPLEN



## New Business

### 29. APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE POLICY 2.73 - EDUCATIONAL EQUITY POLICY

#### Description

The Policy 2.73 - *Educational Equity Policy* - was discussed at the November 16, 2021 Board Work Session and is ready to be advertised.

#### Recommendation

That the advertising of Policy 2.73 - *Educational Equity Policy* - be approved as presented.

#### Financial Impact:

N/A

#### Contact:

ASPLEN & MOORE

#### **Motion: (Voice Vote)**

That the advertising of Policy 2.73 - Educational Equity Policy be approved as presented.

MOTION Passed

#### **Vote Results:**

Ayes: Brown, Edwards, Goodwin, Rose

Nays: Ziegler

### 30. APPROVAL OF THE REDISTRICTING MAP AND RESOLUTION

#### Description

Section 1001.36, Florida Statutes, requires that the School Board adjust the boundaries of the member residence areas after each decennial census so as to keep them as nearly equal in proportion to population as practicable.

#### Recommendation

That the redistricting map and resolution be approved as presented.

#### Financial Impact:

N/A

#### Contact:

GOODWIN

#### **Motion: (Voice Vote)**

That the redistricting maps, the exhibits and resolution be approved as presented.

MOTION Passed

**Vote Results:**

Ayes: Brown, Edwards, Goodwin, Rose, Ziegler

31. APPROVAL OF SARASOTA COUNTY SCHOOLS PURCHASE OF PHASE 4.0  
DESKTOP AND NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS AND SERVICES FROM  
HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY

Description

Hewlett-Packard Company has provided Sarasota County Schools with a comprehensive product and service program utilizing The State of Florida Contract 43211500-WSCA-15-ACS (NASPO Value Point) for Computer Equipment, Peripherals and Services. This provides ongoing asset management, deployment logistics, warranty and repair support as well as service management. This agreement provides the district with a turnkey leasing solution for computer replenishment that proves the best of product and services. It is based on a 4-year lease for equipment utilization, management, warranty, repair and support for six elementary schools: (Alta Vista; Emma E Booker; Fruitville; Garden; Gocio; Glenallen); two middle schools: (Booker Middle; McIntosh Middle); and two high schools: (Booker High; Riverview High). Key benefits of this agreement are: This effort is year 1 of a 4-year plan for computer refresh and deployment district-wide, and, prepares Sarasota schools to meet the standards for digital testing requirements. Computers removed from the schools involved in this phase and less than 4 years of age will be deployed to other district schools.

Recommendation

That the lease proposal from Hewlett-Packard Company be approved for award and purchase with a not to exceed value of \$15,000,000.00 as done in previous lease agreements; and grant the Chair authorization to execute final lease documentation as done in previous lease agreements.

Financial Impact:

\$15,000,000.00

Contact:

RENOUF & CANTALUPO/BINSWANGER

**Motion: (Voice Vote)**

That the lease proposal from Hewlett-Packard Company be approved for

award and purchase with a not to exceed value of \$15,000,000.00 as done in previous lease agreements; and grant the Chair authorization to execute final lease documentation as done in previous lease agreements.

MOTION Passed

**Vote Results:**

Ayes: Brown, Edwards, Goodwin, Rose, Ziegler

**Hearing of Citizens**

32. Opportunity for public to speak regarding the 2021-22 Math Adoption

Description

Recommendation

Financial Impact:

Contact:

**MATH ADOPTION**

Catherine Coccozza discussed the process of a textbook adoption. There were no speakers for the Hearing of Citizens.

**Announcements/Comments**

Topics:

- Enjoyed students speaking today and encouraged them to come to the Board Meetings.
- Superintendent's Forum consists of 100 high school students from around the District. A meeting will take place on January 14th at STC Conference Room to discuss ten (10) items.
- Happy Holidays to everyone!
- Teacher of the Year - December 9th Ceremony to choose Finalist
- Meeting changes
  - Board Meetings - all meetings will start at 6:00 p.m.
  - Next Work Session - January 13th (Thursday)
  - Next Board Meeting - January 18th (Tuesday)

**Adjournment**

**The Chair adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m.**

We certify that the foregoing minutes are a true account of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 7, 2021 and approved at the Regular Board Meeting on January 18, 2022.

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Brennan Asplen, Secretary

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Jane Goodwin, Chair