

Schools & Learning Council Meeting Packet

Tuesday, January 9, 2007

8:45 – 9:15 am

212 Knott Building

**Marco Rubio
Speaker**

**Joe H. Pickens
Council Chair**



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Meeting Agenda
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- I. Opening Remarks by Chairman Pickens**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Introduction of Members and Staff**
- IV. Closing Comments / Meeting Adjourned**

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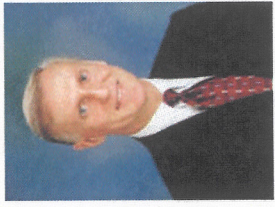
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Schools and Learning Council Staff—Biographies

Lynn Cobb, Council Director

Education: BA, English; JD.

Relevant Professional Experience: 22 years with the Florida Legislature; including Deputy Director of House Bill Drafting, Senior Staff Director of House Criminal Justice, and Council Director of House Education.

Mark Eggers, Budget Chief

Education: BS, Accounting; MS, Educational Administration.

Relevant Professional Experience: 4 years Florida House of Representatives; 11 years Florida Department of Education, Fiscal Analyst for public school funding.

Allyce Heflin, Legislative Analyst (Budget)

Education: BS, Social Work; MS, Social Work.

Relevant Professional Experience: 1.5 years Florida Department of Education, Budget Officer for Division of K-12 Public Schools; Policy Administration Internship for National AIDS Program, British Virgin Islands; Florida Senate Intern for Committee on Ways & Means and Health & Human Services Appropriations.

Bill Speir, Legislative Analyst (Budget)

Education: BS, English; J.D.

Relevant Professional Experience: 5 years Florida House of Representatives, Budget Analyst for Agency for Health Care Administration.

Alicia Trexler, Legislative Analyst (Budget)

Education: BA, History and Religion; MS, Higher Education.

Relevant Professional Experience: 2 years Executive Office of the Governor, Office of Policy and Budget; 3 years Analyst for State University System, Student Financial Aid, Private Colleges and Universities, University Fixed Capital Outlay, Association for Institutional Research.

Tammie Guilford, Council Administrative Assistant

Education: BS, Economics (summer 2007).

Relevant Professional Experience: 8 years Florida House of Representatives; 8 years Florida Department of Corrections.

Marleen Ahearn, Staff Director, K-12 Committee

Education: BA, Political Science, MA and PhD, Education, JD

Relevant Professional Experience: Former teacher, assistant principal, principal, litigator; 12 years House attorney/Staff Director; 2 years Education Policy Coordinator for Governor Bush.

Gavin Beagle, Legislative Analyst, K-12 Committee

Education: BS, Education; JD.

Relevant Professional Experience: CT Corporation System, Uniform Commercial Code Division; Florida House of Representatives, Legislative Analyst, Education.

Katie Allan, K-12 Committee Administrative Assistant

Education: BA, Business and Political Science; currently pursuing MBA.

Relevant Professional Experience: Florida House of Representatives, Committee Administrative Assistant; Internship with former Speaker Bense.

Betty Tilton, Staff Director, Postsecondary Education Committee

Education: BS, Mathematics; MS, Educational Evaluation & Research Design; PhD, Higher Education.

Relevant Professional Experience: 18 years Florida House of Representatives, Staff Director and Analyst in Education and Governmental Operations; 12 years, Florida State University, Budget and Analysis Department and the President's Office.

Margaret Thomas, Legislative Analyst, Postsecondary Education Committee

Education: BS, Social Work.

Relevant Professional Experience: 8 years Florida House of Representatives, Legislative Analyst and Committee Executive Assistant, in Higher Education; 3 years Florida Department of Education, in areas of K-12 Scholarship Programs and Governmental Relations.

Kimberly Young, Postsecondary Education Committee Administrative Assistant

Education: BS, Public Administration.

Relevant Professional Experience: 1.5 years Florida House of Representatives; 6 years with Florida KidCare and Ron Silver Saver Drug Prescription Program.

Tina White, Staff Director, Education Innovation & Career Prep Committee

Education: BA, English; JD.

Relevant Professional Experience: 2 years Florida House of Representatives, Staff Director, Juvenile Justice; 5 years Florida Senate, analyst in Governmental Oversight and Criminal Justice Committees; 3 years Florida Attorney General's Office, Assistant Attorney General in the Criminal Appeals Bureau.

Gail Lolley, Education Innovation & Career Prep Committee Administrative Assistant

Education: BA, Biology.

Relevant Professional Experience: Florida House of Representatives, 2006 Regular Session OPS assistant; 5 years Gadsden Correctional Facility, Vocational Instructor.

Mike Kooi, Policy Chief/Staff Director, 21st Century Competitiveness Committee

Education: BA, History; J.D.

Relevant Professional Experience: 1.5 years Florida House of Representatives; 3 years Assistant General Counsel Department of Education and 1 year at Department of Business and Professional Regulation; 5 years commercial litigation attorney.

Joanna Hassell, Legislative Attorney, 21st Century Competitiveness Committee

Education: BA, Criminology; J.D.

Relevant Professional Experience: 2 years Florida House of Representatives Attorney/Analyst; 2 years Assistant General Counsel Department of Health

Celeste Camm, 21st Century Competitiveness Committee Administrative Assistant

Education: Pursuing BS in Early Childhood Development in Education

Relevant Professional Experience: 2 years Florida House of Representatives Committee Administrative Assistant, Education

Jennifer Barnhill – Legislative Intern, School & Learning Council

Education: BA, Multinational Business; pursuing JD