

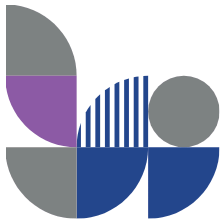
What's New In School Business: FASBO Insights

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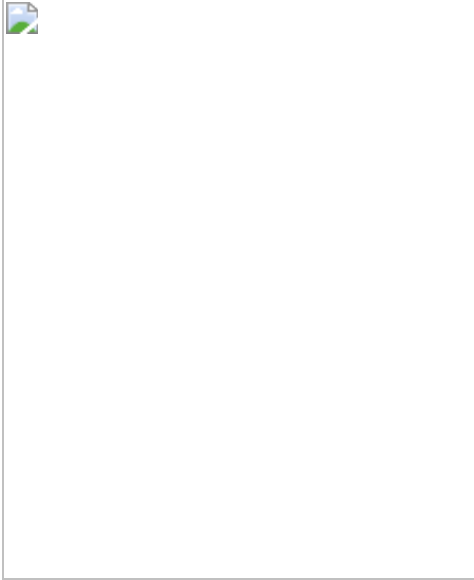
MEMBER NEWS

🌟 This Month's Member Spotlight 🌟

As a community of school business management professionals across Florida, we are committed to networking, sharing knowledge, and developing innovative solutions in the ever-evolving landscape of education. Our strength lies in collaboration and the collective expertise of our members.

We are continually grateful to those who contribute their time, insight, and leadership to the success of our association. In this column, we are proud to spotlight members of the Florida Association of School Business Officials, highlighting their work and experiences to strengthen connections and foster engagement within our professional community.

This month's member spotlight is Tracy Gallentine, Senior Account Executive with Honeywell and our lovely FASBO Vendor Representative.



Q: What is your current position, and what district do you work for?

A: I am a Senior Account Executive at Honeywell, and I am passionate about creating a better, more sustainable, and resilient world for generations to come.

Q: What drew you to a role in the education sector?

A: I have never forgotten a quote attributed to Albert Einstein that I learned as a child, "Education is what remains when we have forgotten all that we have been taught". As a lifelong learner, I believe in the power of learning and the impact on individuals and communities. I've always had a passion for helping others, and I see serving the educational sector as a vital way to empower people, inspire curiosity, and foster lifelong growth through the development of energy-efficient solutions.

Q: How long have you been a member of FASBO?

A: 28 years

Q: How has being a member impacted your career or personal growth?

A: Being a member of FASBO has provided me with invaluable networking opportunities, exposure to industry resources, and knowledge of best practices in diverse school business organizations. Personally, the connections cultivated with experienced professionals have provided me with lifelong friendships for which I am graciously grateful.

Q: What's the best piece of career advice you've ever received?

A: "It's not where you get in life ... it's how you get there". This advice has been significant in shaping my professional journey. It has been my compass for recognizing the importance of the process rather than just the end results; achieving career goals is important, but how we conduct ourselves along that path matters even more. My true north has been values such as faith, integrity, perseverance, and empathy, which have influenced my interactions and relationships with colleagues and stakeholders.

Q: What's one book, podcast, or resource you'd recommend to others in your field?

A: "The Power of Kindness", The Unexpected Benefits of Leading a Compassionate Life by Piero Ferrucci. As the pace of living grows faster and the impact of new technologies more insistent, there is a danger to us all of "global cooling". The book depicts the importance of kindness as a fountain from which flows honesty, forgiveness, patience, and generosity; it is the foundation of a good heart and a life well-lived.

Q: What would be the theme song of your life right now?

A: I have two... "Girls" by Rachel Platten and "My Wish" by Rascal Flatts. Here's to praying that everyone is having "The Best Day of Your Life"!

Your Story MATTERS

Step into the spotlight and showcase the impact you're making in school business. Through our Member Spotlight, you can share your journey, expertise, and accomplishments with colleagues across Florida. Featured members in FASBO Insights gain visibility, strengthen professional connections, and help inspire the next generation of education leaders.

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CONFERENCE NEWS

SASBO and VASBO Joint Conference and Discovery Forum

This week, FASBO leadership attended the 75th SASBO and VASBO Joint Conference and Discovery Forum in Alexandria, Virginia. Alongside a wide range of engaging workshops, attendees selected a Discovery Track experience, offering opportunities to explore iconic locations such as Mount Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C.'s monuments and memorials, the United States Capitol, or participate in a Beat the Bomb challenge.

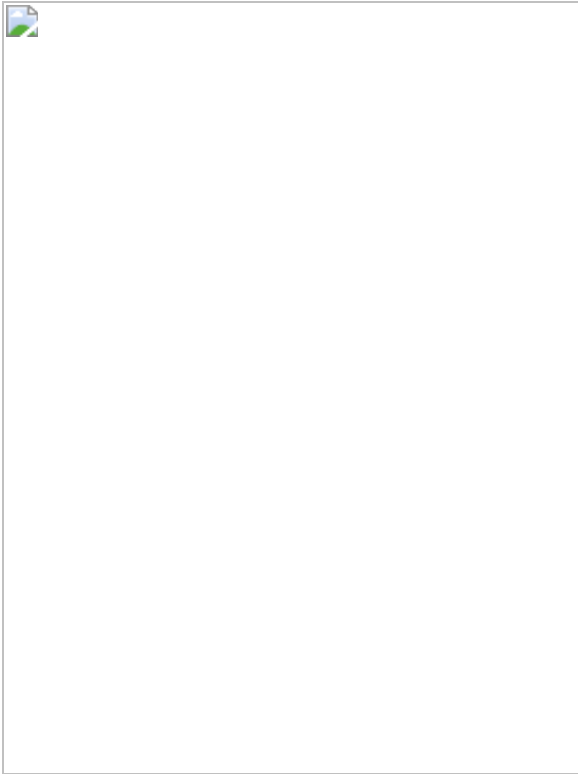
Participating in events like this provides our leadership team with valuable insights and innovative ideas to help strengthen and grow our organization, while also supporting our partners at SASBO.



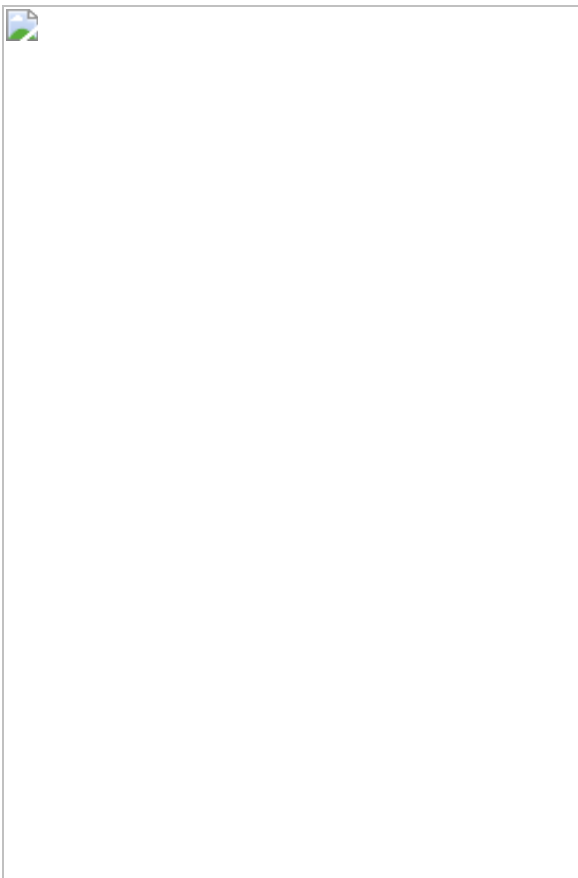
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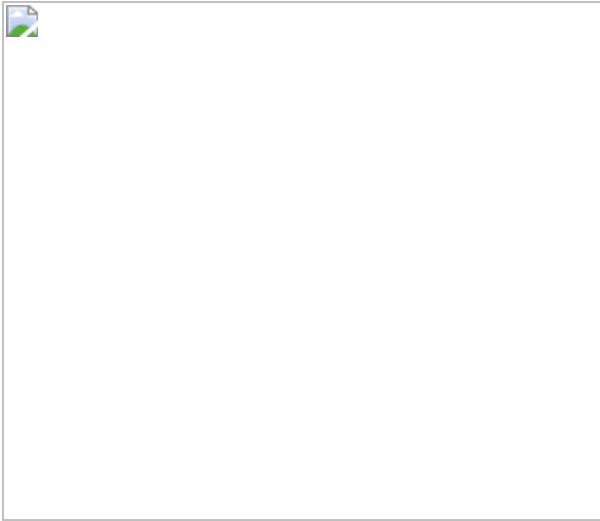
American Fidelity associates present Ryan A. Smith as Outstanding Business Official



Ghislaine Andrews attending the Mount Vernon tour



LaTresa Carlisle attending the Beat the Bomb challenge



Ryan A. Smith, Robin Hukill, and Cindy Stevens attending the U.S. Capitol tour

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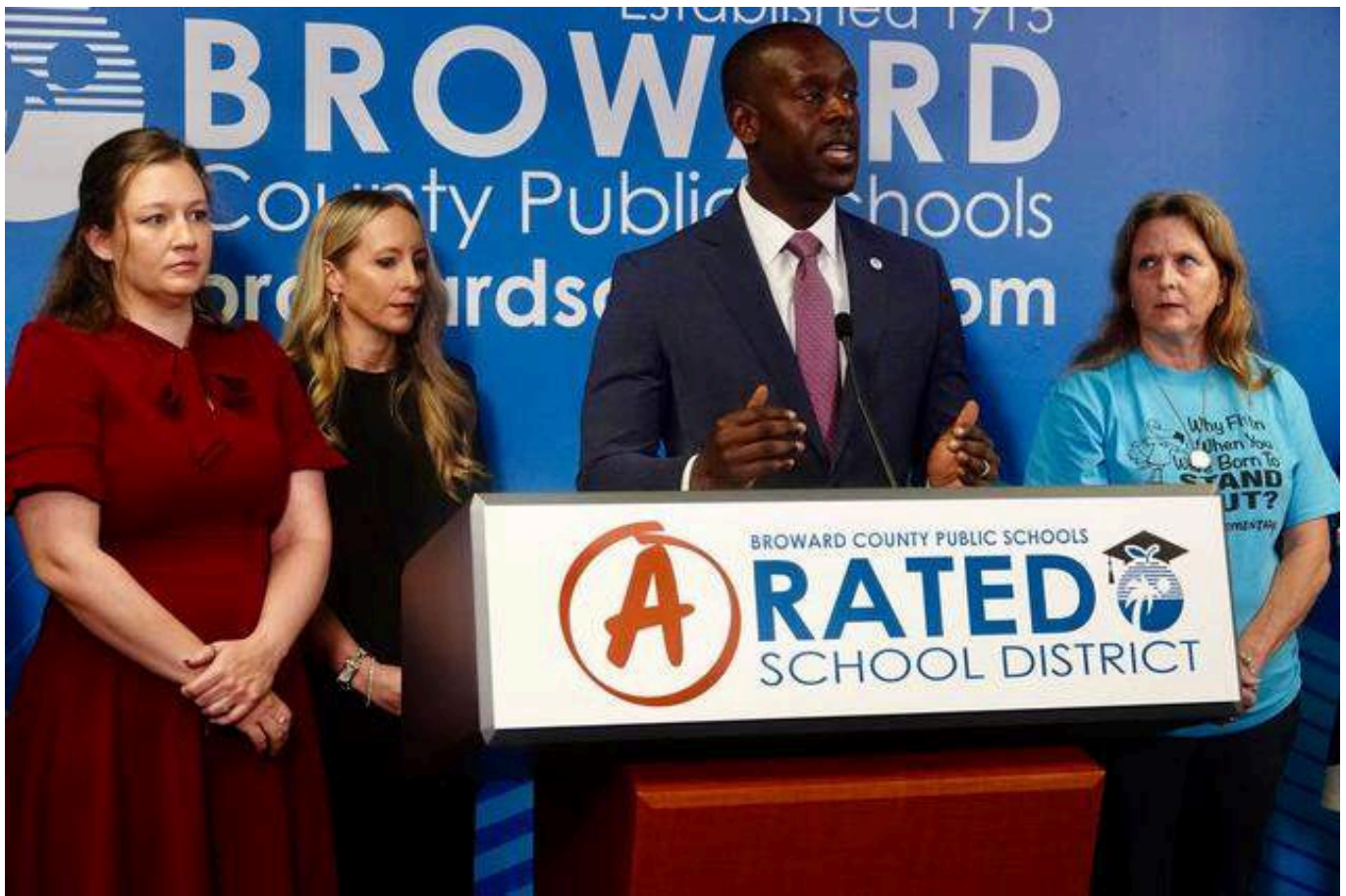


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Florida School District Plans To Cut Up To 1,000 Jobs

Broward County School Board Superintendent Howard Hepburn directed to develop a three-year plan to reduce district jobs to address financial challenges.

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Orange County School Board Votes to Close 7 Schools

State funding has been reduced due to declining enrollment, leading the school district to close the doors on 7 schools.

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