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Achievement Academy Annual Board and Staff Meeting Held

LAKELAND, FL (October 19, 2009) The Achievement Academy's Annual Board and Staff meeting was held Thursday, October 15, 2009 at Grasslands Golf & Country Club in Lakeland. The 2009 John F. Schneider, Sr., Volunteer Service Award Winners were: Butch Durrance, Steve Earley, Board member, Hannah Holjes and David May. Board members Adam Airth, Randy Hollen, Janice Jones and Tony Turbeville were also recognized with the award for their work on the Capital Campaign Steering Committee. Steve Earley was given an award for his 25 years of service on the Board of Directors. JoAnn Smith was recognized for her 23 years of dedication as she looks forward to retirement in November. Paula Sullivan, Executive Director, was honored for her 25 years of service to the Achievement Academy.

The following Board members were installed: Randy Hollen, Bank of Central Florida-President, Adam Airth, Putnam, Creighton & Airth, PA-1st Vice President, Michael Peeples, Southern Homes- 2nd Vice President, Gilit Kontny, GG Graphic Designs-Member, Lynette Mitchell-Parent Representative.

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The Achievement Academy is a Pre-Kindergarten Charter School providing education and therapy services to children with developmental delays/disabilities in Polk County. The Achievement Academy assists children through age six and their families through education, support, resources and advocacy at each of its three locations - Lakeland, Bartow and Winter Haven.