

SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

GADSDEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
MAX D. WALKER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
35 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BLVD.
QUINCY, FLORIDA

June 14, 2016

10:00 A.M.

This special meeting was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Roger P. Milton, Chairman; Mr. Isaac Simmons; Mr. Charlie D. Frost; and Mr. Steve Scott. Mr. Reginald C. James, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; and Mrs. Deborah Minnis, Attorney for the Board, were absent.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Roger P. Milton, at 10:10 a.m.

2. HEAD START 2016 COST-OF-LIVING-ADJUSTMENT (COLA)

Fund Source: Head Start
Amount: \$36,758.00

Following discussion, Mr. Steve Scott made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve agenda item #2. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charlie D. Frost and carried unanimously.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

3. DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF DISTRICT'S 2016-2017 BUDGET

Mr. Hunter stated that Board approval was needed on the district's procurement and contracting requirements, a one year extension for the Plant Survey, and discussion of the lawn care contracts. He stated that in an effort to address audit findings, the district's construction procedures needed updating.

Mr. Kauffman stated that he would be attending a finance meeting next week. He shared with the Board an overview of the district's general fund proposed budget for fiscal year ending 2017.

Ms. Edna Hussein Forehand and Ms. Mille Forehand participated in the discussion of the district's budget.

The special meeting recessed at 11:30 a.m.

The Board convened in executive session at 12:00 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining issues, and adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

The Board reconvened the special meeting at 12:35 p.m., and continued discussing the district's budget.

4. ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

None.

5. SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

Mr. Frost shared his concerns with the Board regarding the one cent sales tax. He stated that this upcoming general election would be the appropriate time for a majority vote on the one cent sales tax.

Mr. Scott stated that he was opposed to having the one cent sales tax on the upcoming general election ballot. He stated that a favorable vote for the one cent sales tax would be during a smaller election.

Mr. Simmons stated that the Florida School Boards Association has information on sales taxes and elections. He stated that the one cent sales tax would be favorable during a smaller election. He stated that the Board must plan carefully to market the advantages for a one cent sales tax.

6. The special meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.