

## SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

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

November 17, 2020

5:00 P.M.

This workshop was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present for the workshop: Mr. Leroy McMillan, Chairman; Mr. Steve Scott; Mrs. Karema D. Dudley; Ms. Cathy S. Johnson; and Mr. Charlie D. Frost. Also present were Mr. Elijah Key, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; Mrs. Deborah Minnis, Attorney for the Board; and others.

1. Call To Order

The workshop was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Leroy McMillan, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Financial Information

Mrs. LaKysha Perkins, Head Start/Prekindergarten Program Director, addressed the Board to request approval for the purchase of 3 vehicles. She stated that the Head Start funding period will end on November 30<sup>th</sup>. She stated that the vehicles will be used for student and food transport, as well as other deliveries as needed to support the Head Start program and district initiatives pertaining to Head Start.

Mr. Key stated that he want everything to be student focused. In response to his concern regarding items previously purchased for the Head Start program, Mrs. Perkins stated that classroom supplies to include gloves, cleaning supplies, and 350 devices (Chromebooks) for student remote learning have been purchased. She stated that the three new vans will be for student use. She stated that one of the passenger vans will be used for cargo. She stated that this was additional funding for the Head Start Program.

Mr. Frost stated that he want department budgets to be watched closely throughout the year to ensure that monies can be well used during the year.

Mrs. Wood shared the following information with the Board: 1) conference information from the Florida School Finance Officers Association and how COVID-19 has triggered the first recession ever caused by a contraction in the services sector of the economy; 2) Articles XII Hours and Working Conditions for Non-Instruction Staff; 3) Teacher Salary Increase Allocation Preliminary Report; 4) 2020 – 2021 FEFP Comparison to the 2019 – 2020 FEFP by Allocation; 5) Student FTE Counts Recalibrated – Unweighted Comparison by School; and 6) Student Enrollment Summary Report – Spring 2020 through Fall 2020..

3. Educational Items by the Superintendent

None.

4. School Board Requests and Concerns

None.

5. The workshop adjourned at 5:55 p.m.