

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

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

August 23, 2016

4:30 P.M.

This workshop 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. Also present were Mr. Reginald C. James, 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. Roger P. Milton, at 4:35 p.m.

2. Financial Information

Mr. Kauffman stated that the district has a three percent reserved fund balance. He stated that the district has been approved for PECO funding.

3. Discussion Items

- a. List of contractors and notification to Board regarding vendors with total payments greater than \$15,000 and other payment issues.
- b. Informational Title I Purchase Orders
- c. Finance office update and status
- d. Other – agenda items:

Mr. Kauffman shared information with the Board regarding the following: SDJ Security Agency providing security services at Gadsden Central Academy for the school term August 15, 2016 to May 31, 2017, and the continuation of the Edgenuity, Inc. Virtual Content to enhance regular school instructional opportunities.

4. Facilities Update

Mr. Hunter updated the Board on the status of the air conditioning units at the various schools. He stated that the district received 49 service calls. He stated that five contractors had been employed to assist with repairing the air conditioning units. He stated that parts are arriving to repair the air conditioning units at Chattahoochee Elementary School. He stated that routine preventative maintenance will be done on all air conditioning units. He stated that contractors are working at George W. Munroe Elementary School to change compressors. He stated that parts have not arrived to work on the air conditioning units in building #3, and the air conditioning unit is not working properly in the clinic at George W. Munroe Elementary School. He stated that the contractors are pricing parts for the air conditioning units for classrooms at Greensboro Elementary School. He stated that the air conditioning units are currently working at St. John Elementary School. He stated that the computer labs at Gadsden Elementary Magnet School have air conditioning problems, but everything else was operational. He stated that the air conditioning compressor and parts have been replaced at Stewart Street Elementary School. He stated that East Gadsden High School needs a chiller. He stated that the thermostat issues at Havana Magnet School have been resolved and is working well. He stated that parts are still needed at Havana Magnet School.

5. School Board Requests and Concerns

In reference to the lawn care service, Mr. Simmons requested preparing a plan for grass cutting.

Mr. James made the Board aware of the social media policy. He stated that training was needed on the use of social media.

Attorney Minnis cautioned the Board on the language of social media. She stated that the Board could not be too restrictive with the language for the use of social media.

Mr. James stated that Dr. James Brown would be assisting in the K-12 Director Position because Mrs. Dionne Mathews-Nelloms had resigned.

The Board appointed Mr. Steve Scott to serve on the Professional Service Advisory Committee for architect selection.

Mr. Hunter shared with the Board current tasks for the five year survey, architect selection, and energy management for the district.

Mr. Milton requested Mr. Hunter draft a plan to save monies on district utilities.

6. The workshop adjourned at 5:45 p.m.