

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

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

July 28, 2020

4:30 P.M.

This workshop was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present for the workshop: Mrs. Audrey D. Lewis, Chairwoman; Mr. Leroy McMillan; Mr. Charlie D. Frost; Mr. Steve Scott; and Mr. Tyrone D. Smith. Also present were Mr. Roger P. Milton, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; and others. Mrs. Deborah Minnis, Attorney for the Board, was present via telephone conference.

1. Call To Order

The workshop was called to order by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Leroy McMillan, at 4:35 p.m.

2. Financial Information

a. Data Regarding Student FTE, Class Size by School and Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) Allocation Comparison

Mrs. Wood shared with the Board information on the district's student FTE counts recalibrated – unweighted report comparison by each school. She stated that the student FTE report was from 2015 – 2016 to forecast for 2020 – 2021, 2019 – 2020 class size by school, and FEFP comparison for 2019 – 2020 to 2020 – 2021.

b. Preliminary 2019 – 2020 Revenue and Expenditure Reports by Fund

Mrs. Wood shared with the Board an overview of the district's preliminary 2019 – 2020 revenue and expenditures reports by fund. She stated that \$46,507,389 was part of the general fund.

c. 2020 – 2021 Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) Second Calculation

Mrs. Wood stated that the 2020 – 2021 FEFP Second Calculation differs from the 2020 -2021 Revised Conference Report (First Calculation) and it replaces the estimated tax roll with the actual certified tax roll in the FEFP calculation. She stated that any allocation that is calculated using prior year full-time student FTE enrollment data was updated to include FTE from the 2019 – 2020 FEFP Fourth Calculation.

Mr. Smith requested a workshop to discuss the decrease in student enrollment and ways to enhance student enrollment.

d. 2020 – 2021 Certified Tax Roll and School District Millage Rates

Mr. Mays stated that on July 13th the Florida Department of Revenue certified the 2020 estimate of the tax roll that is the basis for determining the Required Local Effort (REL) millage rate in the Florida Education Finance Program. He stated that the 2018 -2019 final tax rolls were also certified. He stated that 2018 - 2019 final tax rolls are used to calculate the Prior Period Funding Adjustment Millage. He stated that the statewide average millage rate is 3.720. He stated that the district’s budget allocation decreased.

e. Guidance on 2020 -2021 Teacher Salary Increase Allocation

Mrs. Wood shared with the Board information on the district’s teacher salary increase allocation. She stated that the following should be considered: the effects of supplements, COVID-19 effect on the number of students’ unknown, family empowerment students should be doubled for 2019 – 2020 with McKay - \$500,000, and TSSSA effecting two schools.

f. Update on Insurance Payments Resulting from Hurricane Michael

Mr. Mays stated that the property insurance schedule with the corresponding insurance payments by parcel/building resulting from the umpire’s appraisal awards was \$7,480,851.98. He stated that insurance monies could only be used for infrastructure and buildings.

3. Educational Items by the Superintendent

None.

4. School Board Requests and Concerns

None.

5. The workshop adjourned at 5:32 p.m.