

SCHOOL BOARD FINANCIAL WORKSHOP

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

November 21, 2023

4:30 P.M.

The workshop was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Leroy McMillan, Chairman; Mrs. Karema D. Dudley; Ms. Cathy S. Johnson; Mr. Steve Scott; 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 4:30 p.m.

2. Financial Information

Mr. Mays shared with the Board financial reports for November by funds. He verified the encumbrances for each of the funds. He stated that some of the maintenance expenditures will be reimbursed by FEMA. He shared information on the different grants along with their expenditures and encumbrances. Mrs. Dudley stated that she was concerned about the account balances being part of the Board information. She stated that she would get with Mr. Mays to see the bank statements. Mr. Scott stated that the finance forms in Skyward are easy to follow.

3. Facilities Update

Mr. McMillan asked about the dishwasher at Chattahoochee Elementary School. Mr. Hudson stated that water was coming from the drain that needed repairing. Mrs. Johnson asked about the cafeteria at Havana Magnet School. Mr. Hudson stated that there was an issue with getting units and the delay with the delivery. Ms. Johnson asked about a fryer not working at Havana Magnet School. Mr. Hudson stated that he was not aware of a fryer not working at the school. Mr. Mays stated that Mrs. Lisa Chavers was asked to follow up on the fryer issue to see if it can be repaired or needs to be replaced. Ms. Johnson asked about the lockers at the field house at Gadsden County High School. Mr. Key stated that there are repairs that need to be made to the building itself before the lockers can be replaced. Ms. Johnson asked if the dryer had been repaired at the field house, Mr. Hudson stated that the dryer had been replaced.

Ms. Johnson asked for an update regarding the pool property from the city. Mr. Key stated that the city is in agreement to give the pool property, but wants to get an appraisal of the property. He stated that the city does not want to utilize Wards Lot and do not want to just swap properties. He stated that the city wants the School Board to buy the property. Mr. Key stated that Wards Lot is off the table. Mr. Scott asked about the project manager for the new school. Mr. Key stated that the construction manager is the project manager. Mrs. Dudley asked about the funding source for Southland Contracting at Stewart Street Elementary School. Mr. Key stated that ESSER funding was the appropriate funding source for Southland Contracting. Mr. McMillan stated that he was concerned about the cost increase for Southland Contracting. Mr. Hudson stated that the price increased because the previous price did not cover all the work.

4. Educational Items by the Superintendent

None.

5. School Board Requests and Concerns

None.

6. The workshop adjourned at 5:10 p.m.