

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

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

October 26, 2021

4:30 P.M.

This workshop was open to the public and electronically recorded.

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

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. LaClarence Mays, Interim Chief Financial Officer, shared with the Board a detailed review of the Annual Financial Report (AFR) for the year ended June 30, 2021. He stated that adjustments will be made throughout the year that will be used by the auditors.

Mr. Key stated that certain funds are restricted and can only be used for building. He stated that monies are restricted from the sale of Gretna Elementary School. He stated that there has been a change in the way money is collected in the school cafeteria. He stated that each school cafeteria is required to do daily deposits and monies are to be counted by the office manager. He stated that enhancements are being made to make sure the district is tracking money with fidelity.

Board members asked questions, shared their concerns and made comments throughout the Annual Financial Report presentation. They thanked Mr. Mays for his professionalism in presenting the AFR.

3. Facilities Update

Mr. Hunter stated that the chiller at Gadsden County High School will be arriving next month. He stated that the carpet projects are being completed. He stated that the continuing problem at Stewart Street Elementary School with portables that were placed without storm water management are being repaired by Alpha Foundation. He stated that the awnings are being installed at West Gadsden Middle School. He stated that he will get prices for awnings on the west side of the cafeteria to the ROTC room. He stated that installation of the doors at Havana Magnet School will begin this week. He stated that the exterior doors are being replaced and the next project will be to install the interior doors. He stated that doors and hardware for Greensboro Elementary School will be arriving soon. He stated that staffing is a big concern at maintenance. He stated that he has advertised vacant positions on Facebook. He shared with the Board information on a contemporary and traditional layout for the new PreK – 8 school, and a special facilities construction account schedule.

4. Educational Items by the Superintendent

None.

5. School Board Requests and Concerns

None.

6. The workshop adjourned at 5:27 p.m.