

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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

October 23, 2012

6:00 P.M.

This meeting was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Judge B. Helms, Chairman; Mr. Eric F. Hinson; Mr. Charlie D. Frost; Mr. Roger P. Milton; and Mr. Isaac Simmons. 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 meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Judge B. Helms, at 6:03 pm.

2. OPENING PRAYER

The opening prayer was led by Mr. Charlie D. Frost.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited in unison.

4. RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Helms recognized Mr. Scott Watson, Vice President of CSI Construction. He stated that Mr. Watson was willing to serve as the business representative on the Value Adjustment Board.

Following discussion, Mr. Isaac Simmons made a motion to appoint Mr. Scott Watson to serve as the business representative on the Value Adjustment Board.

Board members and Mrs. Rosalyn Smith, Deputy Superintendent, recognized the following Unsung Heroes for the administration office: Mrs. Lealer Frances, Mr. Harold McIntyre, Mrs. Sandra Gleaton, Mrs. Ethel Marshall, Mrs. Sandra Robinson, Mrs. Paula Milton, and Mrs. Stephanie Brown-Byrd. Each of the employees was presented with awards by the Board members and the Deputy Superintendent. Mrs. Wood accepted awards for Mrs. Paula Milton and Mrs. Stephanie Brown-Byrd, and Dr. Hightower accepted the award for Mrs. Sandra Robinson. Mrs. Smith stated that the Unsung Heroes are employees of the Walker Administration Building.

Board members presented Mr. Eric Hinson with a plaque award for his tenure on the Board. They expressed their pleasure in working with Mr. Hinson.

Mr. Hinson thanked the Board for their appreciation. He expressed his sentiments as a Board member. He recognized members of the Havana Kiwanis Club, Havana Community Day, and the Havana Pumpkin fest. He stated that he would be celebrating a birthday on Sunday, October 28th. He stated that Eugene Lamb Day was scheduled for Sunday, October 28th, 4:00 p.m. at Old Jerusalem Church in Havana. He stated that New Jerusalem Church Revival was recently held with a dynamic speaker from Seattle, Washington. He stated that Havana Middle School Homecoming was scheduled for Thursday, October 25th.

Mr. Helms entertained a motion to approve the remaining consent agenda. The motion was made by Mr. Charlie D. Frost, seconded by Mr. Isaac Simmons and carried unanimously.

5. REVIEW OF MINUTES

- a. September 18, 2012, 4:00 p.m. – School Board Workshop
- b. September 25, 2012, 4:30 p.m. – School Board Workshop
- c. September 25, 2012, 6:00 p.m. – Regular School Board Meeting
- d. October 9, 2012, 4:00 p.m. – Special School Board Meeting

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

6. PERSONNEL MATTERS (resignations, retirements, recommendations, leaves of absence, terminations of services, volunteers, and job descriptions)

- a. Personnel 2012 – 2013

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

7. BUDGET/FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

- a. Budget Amendment Number One

Fund Source: 420 Federal Funds
Amount: \$-1,313,703.80

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

- b. Budget Amendment Number Two and Three

Fund Source: 420 Federal Funds
Amount: \$3,718,496.71

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

- c. Budget Amendment Number Four

Fund Source: 434 (ARRA) Race To The Top
Amount: \$85,909.80

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

d. Revisions to Final Budget Due to Increased Assessed Valuation

Fund Source: General Fund and Capital Improvements Revenues
Amount: \$81,914.62 – General Fund
\$19,754.66 – Capital Improvements Fund

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

e. Sponsor Approval of Capital Outlay Plan for Crossroad Academy Charter School for 2012 – 2013

Fund Source: State of Florida Funds are sent through District
Amount: Estimated \$104,871.00 for 2012 – 2013

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

8. AGREEMENTS/PROJECT/GRANT APPLICATIONS

a. Purchase Order for Fresh Vegetables and Fruits

Fund Source: School Food Service
Amount: \$49,500.00

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

b. Purchase Orders for Federal Programs

Fund Source: Federal Funds 420
Amount: \$44,187.00

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

c. Purchase Orders for ESE Programs

Fund Source: General Fund and Federal IDEA
Amount: \$100,800.00 from General Fund
\$16,865.00 from Federal IDEA

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

f. Agreement Between The School Board of Gadsden County Public Schools and ProCare Therapy, Inc.

Fund Source: FEFP Dollars
Amount: \$58.00 - \$65.00 (per hour for actual hours worked)

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

g. Consulting Services Agreement with MGT of America, Inc

Fund Source: General Revenue
Amount: \$27,500.00

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

h. Interlocal Agreement

Fund Source: N/A
Amount: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

9. STUDENT MATTERS

a. Student Expulsion – See back-up material

Case #06-1213-0051

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

b. Student Expulsion – See back-up material

Case #11-1213-0071

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

c. Student Expulsion – See back-up material

Case #12-1213-0071

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

d. Student Expulsion – See back-up material

Case #13-1213-0211

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

e. Student Expulsion – See back-up material

Case #14-1213-0231

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

f. Student Expulsion – See back-up material

Case #15-1213-0231

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

10. SCHOOL FACILITY/PROPERTY

- a. Pest and Weed Control Services for Athletic Fields District Wide
Bid #1213-09

Fund Source: 110

Amount: \$12,083.50 for Pest and Weed Control Services for Athletic
Fields District Wide
\$11,306.10 for Fertilizer Applications to Athletic Fields District
Wide

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Items preceded by an asterisk (*) were removed from the CONSENT agenda at the beginning of the meeting and acted upon during the DISCUSSION portion of the agenda.

* 8. AGREEMENTS/PROJECT/GRANT APPLICATIONS

- d. Purchase Orders for Technology Department

Fund Source: General Fund

Amount: \$99,205.50

In response to Mr. Helms' question about whether the location of student data was in TERMS or Skyward, Ms. Darlean Youmans stated that the district is transitioning from TERMS to Skyward with an annual maintenance fee.

Following discussion, Mr. Roger P. Milton made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve agenda item #8d. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charlie D. Frost and carried unanimously.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

- e. Purchase Order for Library Software and Implementation Services

Fund Source: General Fund

Amount: \$52,979.62

In response to Mr. Helms' question whether the Library Software was a continuing service; Ms. Youmans stated that Destiny was a new software purchase. She stated that the old software for library services was not moving to the future.

Following discussion, Mr. Roger P. Milton made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve agenda item #8e. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charlie D. Frost and carried unanimously.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

11. EDUCATIONAL ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. James reminded the Board of a Special Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 13th at 4:00 p.m.

12. SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

Mr. Helms requested approval to schedule the November Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 20th.

The Board agreed to schedule the following meetings on Tuesday, November 20th: 4:30 p.m. – Board Workshop; 5:30 p.m. – Organizational Meeting; and 6:00 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting.

Mr. Hinson inquired about the drainage problem at Havana Elementary School. He stated that his concerns with the DES contract had been addressed by Mrs. Wood. He stated that the cost would not exceed what the Board would normally pay.

Mr. Frost stated that there was new legislation allowing employees to donate time to non-family members.

Mr. Helms announced that the Florida Christian Athletic Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m.

13. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.