

SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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

May 13, 2025

1:30 P.M.

The meeting was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Leroy McMillan, Chairman; Ms. Cathy S. Johnson; Ms. Stacey S. Hannigon; Mr. Steve Scott; and Mr. Charlie D. Frost. Also present were Mr. Elijah Key, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; Mr. Ian White, Attorney Representative for the Board; and others.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Leroy McMillan at 1:30 p.m.

2. Opening Prayer

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

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Recited in unison.

4. New K-8 School GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Pricing) Proposal

Fund Source: General Funds

Amount: \$864,772.00

Mr. Scott Brewer shared with the Board information on the GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) Proposal for the Gadsden K-8 School Phase 1 project. He stated that the GMP was based on the documents prepared by DAG Architects, and Allstate's clarification. He stated that the Board's approval was needed to get started with Phase 1. He stated that the GMP included what was budgeted as the overall project cost. He stated that all monies not spent would be returned. He stated that local vendors would be solicited for involvement. He encourage the Board to be a part of the workshops to come. He stated that local impact is very important for the Gadsden County community. He stated that construction day is scheduled for June 1, 2025. He stated that the following GMP Amendment Forms were included:

SECTION 1 – Project Summary

SECTION 2 - Clarifications

SECTION 3 - Detailed Estimate

SECTION 4 - Schedule

SECTION 5 - List of Documents

Information for Phase I, link:

<https://content.myconnectsuite.com/api/documents/eed0b4ad6723401c8f8048a949b7c4f0.pdf>

Board members asked questions, shared their concerns and made comments during the presentation of the GMP.

Following discussion, Ms. Stacey S. Hannigon made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve agenda item #4. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cathy S. Johnson and carried unanimously.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

5. Educational Items by the Superintendent

Mr. Key stated that progression ceremonies would be taking place next week at different schools. He stated that Senior Baccalaureate Services would take place on Sunday, May 18th at 8:00 a.m. at Gadsden County High School. He stated that Retirement Celebrations for the principal and teacher at Greensboro Elementary School would take place the same day as staff field day on Thursday, May 29th. He stated that the TOY and SREOY banquet would be held May 28th.

6. School Board Requests and Concerns

Mr. Scott stated that was very concerned about the additional funding for the new K-8 school.

Ms. Johnson stated that Teacher Appreciation Week was May 5 – 9, 2025. She thanked the teachers for all their hard work. She stated that the Special Olympic Games would be in Orlando on May 15 – 17, 2025.

Ms. Hannigon thanked the teachers and staff for their hard work.

Mr. Frost stated that he wanted to make sure the principals are aware of when Board members attend events on their campus. He stated that he was still recruiting students to return to the district.

7. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.