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SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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

July 16, 2019

6:00 P.M.

This meeting was open to the public and electronically recorded

The following Board members were present: Mr. Steve Scott, Chairman; Mrs. Audrey D. Lewis; Mr. Leroy McMillan; and Mr. Tyrone D. Smith. Also present were Mr. Roger P. Milton, 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 meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Steve Scott, at 6:02 p.m.

2. REQUEST PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING

Mr. LaClarence Mays, Budget Director, stated that the 2nd FEFP Calculations have not been received as to date. He stated that the Notice of Budget Hearing was advertised in the local newspapers. He stated that the District School Board will soon consider a budget for the fiscal year 2019 – 2020. He stated that a public hearing to make a decision on the budget and taxes will be held on July 30, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. He stated that the charter schools are included in the advertisement for the Notice of Budget Hearing.

Mrs. Wood stated that it was unknown about the assessed evaluations for the district's properties. She stated that many districts are feeling the effects from Hurricane Michael. She stated that it was unprecedented that the Department of Education has not re-addressed the 2^{nd} FEFP calculations.

Following discussion, Mrs. Audrey D. Lewis made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve agenda item #2. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tyrone D. Smith and carried unanimously.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

3. STATUS UPDATE ON INSURANCE ISSUES REGARDING HURRICANE MICHAEL

Mr. Milton stated that there was a request from the Board for representatives from the Florida League of Cities and the Public Adjuster to share an update with the Board on the status of the insurance issues regarding Hurricane Michael.

During a lengthy discussion on the status update on the insurance issues regarding Hurricane Michael, Mr. Michael Methaney encouraged the Board began maximizing expenses to help with the incurred cost. He state that the next step is for the Florida League of Cities and the Public Adjuster to come to an agreement on the property values.

Mr. Milton stated that the district need to obtain an appraiser to assess the value of the properties. He stated that the district hired a Public Adjuster to work with the district in handling insurance issues regarding Hurricane Michael. He stated that he was thankful to have the Public Adjuster and the Florida League of Cities work together to resolve the district's Hurricane Michael insurance claim. He stated that Mrs. Wood and Mr. Hunter have done a great job working with both entities. He thanked everyone for their participation in the meeting.

4. EDUCATIONAL ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Milton introduced Mr. Scott Bryan with the Gadsden County Times. He stated that Mr. Bryan was the new editor for the Gadsden County Times. He requested the Board approve an out-of-district fieldtrip request for Gadsden County High School's Football Team to travel to Valdosta, Georgia to attend Padded Football Camp.

Following discussion, Mrs. Audrey D. Lewis made a motion to approve the out-of-district fieldtrip request for Gadsden County High School's Football Team to attend a Padded Football Camp in Valdosta, Georgia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Leroy McMillan and carried unanimously.

5. SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

Mr. McMillan expressed his concerns regarding Mr. Farve's lack of enthusiasm to help resolve the district's Hurricane Michael insurance claim. He stated that the Florida League of Cities was working in the best interest of the district.

Mrs. Lewis thanked Mr. McMillan for addressing the insurance issues and Mr. Scott for bringing the issue to the Board.

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