MINUTES

SCHOOL BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

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

November 17, 2009

5:30 P.M.

This meeting was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Roger P. Milton, Mr. Judge B. Helms; Mr. Eric F. Hinson; Mr. Charlie D. Frost; and Mr. Isaac Simmons by telephone conference. Also present were Mr. Reginald C. James, Superintendent of Schools 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 Mr. Judge B. Helms at 5:32 p.m.

Mr. Helms thanked the Board for their support and allowing him to serve as Chairman for the 2008 – 2009 year. He turned the meeting over to the Superintendent James.

2. SCHOOL BOARD ORGANIZATION FOR 2009 – 2010 YEAR

a. NOMINATE AND ELECT THE CHAIRPERSON

Mr. James presided in accordance with Chapter 230.15 Florida Statutes.

Mr. James opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson. Mr. Helms nominated Mr. Simmons to serve as Chairperson for the 2009 – 2010 year.

Mr. Charlie Frost made a motion for Mr. Isaac Simmons to serve as Chairperson for the 2009 – 2010 year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Judge B. Helms and carried unanimously.

b. NOMINATE AND ELECT THE VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Mr. James opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairperson. Mr. Frost nominated Mr. Roger P. Milton to serve as Vice-Chairperson.

Mr. Charlie Frost made a motion for Mr. Roger P. Milton to serve as Vice-Chairperson for the 2009-2010 year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Judge B. Helms and carried unanimously.

Mr. Simmons thanked the Board for their support and turned the meeting over to Mr. Milton.

c. ESTABLISH DAY AND TIME OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Mr. Milton stated that he wished to continue Board meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. for the exception of the December meeting. He stated that because of the Christmas holidays, the December meeting will be held on the third Tuesday (December 15th).

Mr. Judge B. Helms made a motion that the Board continue to meet at 6:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month for the exception of the December meeting which will be held on the third Tuesday (December 15th). The motion was seconded by Mr. Charlie D. Frost and carried unanimously.

In response to Mr. Milton's concern regarding the time for the financial workshop, Mr. Helms suggested moving the time back to 4:30 p.m. for the financial workshop, and if more time was needed the time could be set back to 4:00 p.m. before the regular Board meetings.

The Board agreed to have the financial workshops begin at 4:30 p.m. with the flexibility to change the time to 4:00 p.m. if needed.

3. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.