

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

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

March 26, 2013

4:30 P.M.

This workshop was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Isaac Simmons, Chairman; Mr. Roger P. Milton; Mr. Charlie D. Frost; Mr. Judge B. Helms; and Ms. Audrey D. Lewis. 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 workshop was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Isaac Simmons, at 4:30 p.m.

2. FINANCIAL DATA REPORT

Mr. Craig McMillan stated that the district's property insurance needed to be brought into compliance with the property insurance law. He stated that 90% coinsurance reduces the Total Insured Values to approximately \$148,676,975; and 80% coinsurance reduces the Total Insured Values to approximately \$132,157,311. He stated that the Insurance Committee recommended that the district offer Capital Health Plan (HMO) only for active employees and a continuation of Capital Health Plan and Blue Medicare for retirees. He stated that employees may receive a decrease in premiums compared to past years. He stated that the vendor Florida Combined Life is proposing a 15% reduction in Board paid life and supplemental life insurance with a two-year guarantee. He stated that the vendor is also proposing a continuation of the current dental insurance rate for one year. He stated that these savings are achieved through packaging the insurance plans as a group.

Mrs. Wood stated that after exploring various options over several years, the Insurance Committee recommended that the district implement payroll payment options of direct deposit and pay card only. She stated that since 2009, provisions in Florida Statutes have mandated that employees hired after that year be direct deposit only. She stated that this recommendation would provide employees who do not have a bank account to be paid by a pay card that could be cashed for no cost.

During the discussion of the pay card, Board members stated that they would not support pay cards at this time.

Mrs. Wood shared the following information with the Board: 1) Student Unweighted FTE; 2) Budget Status Summary; 3) Vendor Expenditures; and 4) Analysis of General Fund Total Fund Balance Assigned and Unassigned Fund Balance and Total Revenues (Unaudited).

3. ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

None.

4. SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

None.

5. The workshop adjourned at 5:50 p.m.