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TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING

GADSDEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MAX D. WALKER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 35 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BLVD. QUINCY, FLORIDA 32351

July 31, 2012

6:00 P.M.

This tentative budget hearing 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; 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. Mr. Roger P. Milton was absent.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The tentative budget hearing was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Judge B. Helms, at 6:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC HEARING – Tentative Budget and Millage Rate

a. Approval of the 2012 - 2013 Tentative Budget

Fund Source: All Funds

Amount: Total Estimated Revenue and Fund Balances - \$61,476,341.00

Total Projected Expenditures - \$57,946,365.00

Mrs. Wood stated that the proposed state law required local effort millage rate was 5.184, the prior period funding adjustment millage was .037, the proposed local discretionary millage rate was .498, the proposed supplemental nonvoted discretionary millage rate was .25, the proposed critical operating needs voted millage rate was .25, and the proposed capital improvement millage rate was 1.50 mills, when all combined amount to less than the rolled back rate by a negative 10.26 percent.

Following discussion, Mr. Isaac Simmons moved that the Board adopt the recommended state law required local effort millage rate of 5.184, the prior period funding adjustment millage of .037, the local discretionary millage rate of 0.498 and a capital improvement millage rate of 1.50 mills, as the tentative millages to be levied for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. When all the millages are combined, they amount to less than the rolled back rate by a negative 10.26 percent. The motion was seconded by Mr. Charlie D. Frost and carried unanimously.

Mr. Isaac Simmons moved that the Board adopt the recommended tentative supplemental discretionary millage rate of .25 as necessary for the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eric F. Hinson and carried unanimously.

Mr. Charlie D. Frost made a motion to adopt the recommended tentative critical operating needs millage of .25 as necessary for the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac Simmons and carried unanimously.

Following discussion of the 2012 - 2013 tentative budget, Mr. Isaac Simmons moved that the Board adopt the tentative budget for the 2012 - 2013 fiscal year as it was presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eric F. Hinson and carried unanimously.

The Board scheduled a workshop on August 21, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the district's budget for the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Superintendent recommended approval.

3. ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

None.

4. SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

None.

5. The tentative budget adjourned at 6:25 p.m.