

## SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

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

July 26, 2011

4:30 P.M.

This workshop was open to the public and electronically recorded.

The following Board members were present: Mr. Judge B. Helms, Vice Chairman; Mr. Charlie D. Frost; and Mr. Isaac Simmons. Mr. Eric F. Hinson arrived at 5:25 p.m. 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 workshop was called to order by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Judge B. Helms, at 4:35 p.m.

2. FINANCIAL DATA REPORT

Dr. Hightower stated that the district is racing to be the best that it can be. He stated that the theme for the leadership conference was "Race To the Top". He expounded on the theme referencing concrete trucks. He stated that trucks can be used as a source for the foundation of leadership. He stated that leaders are the construction to expand skills and training. He stated that the engine provides thrust and energy. He stated that the gas pump ignites the engine. He stated that a helicopter could be used to lift us to safety. He stated that everyone in the district is working together as a united force. He stated that pit stops are necessary to be re-energized and re-fueled. He stated that sometimes you may have to detour to regroup, change direction and course of action. He stated that if revisions are necessary, they must be made to complete the course to win.

Mrs. Wood shared with the Board a power-point presentation outlining the district's strategic plan. She stated that goals were set for resources to be allocated to a student driven formula. She stated that the district needs to create longevity. She reported on the meeting with the Department of Education Facilities staff. She stated that they found workable solutions to fund ongoing maintenance and repairs. She stated that purchase orders for financial reporting and fiscal compliance costs, technology costs, and transportation costs were on the regular meeting agenda for Board approval.

3. ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

None.

4. SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

None.

5. The workshop adjourned at 5:40 p.m.