

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

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

May 28, 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. 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. Mr. Charlie D. Frost was absent.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The workshop was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Isaac Simmons, at 4:35 p.m.

2. FINANCIAL DATA REPORT

Mrs. Wood shared with the Board a memorandum from Ms. Linda Champion with the Department of Education. She stated that Senate Bill (SB) 1500, also known as the General Appropriations Act (GAA); SB 1502, which implements the GAA; and SB 1514 have been assigned by Governor Rick Scott. She stated that these bills include several important changes to the full-time equivalent (FTE) student reporting for the 2013 – 2014 school year. She stated that a common identifier is required for FTE reporting for all schools that provide instruction to a student; the End-of-Course FTE adjustment has been postponed until 2016-17; all Florida Virtual School instruction provided on a school campus is to be reported by the district of enrollment; and there is a revised methodology for FTE reporting. She stated that each student's FTE earned is to be held to a cap of 1.0 across all delivery options, except summer Department of Juvenile Justice FTE.

Mrs. Wood shared with the Board the following budget status summary report: 1) 110 – General Fund – Encumbered \$1,495,795.60; 2) 300 – Capital Projects – Encumbered \$1,294,981.51; 3) 410 – School Food Service – Encumbered \$199,918.25; 4) 420 – Federal – Encumbered \$1,317,634.37; 5) 432 – Targeted ARRA Stimulus Funds – Encumbered \$165,026.98; and 6) 434 – ARRA Race To The Top – Encumbered \$149,751.23. She stated that the district will receive its first E-rate check in the amount of \$10,000.00. She stated that according to new legislation districts will have to pay tuition for all dual enrolled students. She stated that the new Affordable Health Care Act would authorize any employee who works over 20 hours per week to be allowed to receive health insurance.

Mr. Shepard stated that the Board needed to continue to move forward with the project for the new wing at Havana Middle School.

3. ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

None.

4. SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS AND CONCERNS

5. The workshop adjourned at 5.35 p.m.