

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MINUTES, JULY 21, 2015

The School Board of Escambia County, Florida, convened in Special Meeting at 5:00 p.m., in Room 160, at the J.E. Hall Educational Services Center, 30 East Texar Drive, Pensacola, Florida, with the following present:

Chair: Mrs. Patricia Hightower
Vice Chair: Mr. Bill Slayton
Board Members: Mr. Jeff Bergosh
Mr. Gerald Boone
Mrs. Linda Moultrie

School Board General Counsel: Mrs. Donna Sessions Waters

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Malcolm Thomas

Meeting was advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on June 27, 2015 - Legal No. 1643835

NOTE: The minutes from this session have been prepared according to *Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised*. The video from this session is available at <http://escambiacountysdfl.swagit.com/play/07212015-859>

I. CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Hightower called the Special Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Motion by Mr. Slayton, seconded by Mr. Boone, to adopt the agenda, carried unanimously.

II. PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED 2015-2016 TENTATIVE MILLAGE AND TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR ADVERTISING PURPOSES

Mr. Terry St. Cyr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Business Services, advised that the purpose of this meeting was for the School Board to consider approval of a three-part advertisement pertaining to the proposed 2015-2016 tentative millage and tentative budget. Mr. St. Cyr reviewed each part of the advertisement, which if approved, would be scheduled for publication in the *Pensacola News Journal*:

- Notice of Budget Hearing
- Notice of Tax for School Capital Outlay
- Budget Summary

Mr. St. Cyr then narrated a brief PowerPoint® presentation which highlighted several pages from the packet of budgetary information that he had provided to each School Board Member prior to this session (Supplementary Minute Book, Exhibit "A"). NOTE: A copy of the three-part advertisement was included in the packet. There were no questions from School Board Members regarding the information as presented.

III. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE 2015-2016 TENTATIVE MILLAGE AND TENTATIVE BUDGET

Mrs. Hightower called for a motion to advertise the 2015-2016 tentative millage and tentative budget as presented. A motion to that affect was made by Mr. Slayton and seconded by Mr. Bergosh. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

James C. Nims, Jr. registered to address the School Board regarding a number of issues including: his pleasure that the millage rate had decreased; his belief that crime was often linked to student dropout rates; and his concern that the School District was not doing enough to address its student dropout rate.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Superintendent

Chair

PENDING BOARD APPROVAL