

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MINUTES, NOVEMBER 13, 2015

The School Board of Escambia County, Florida, convened in Regular Workshop at 9:00 a.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 November 2, 2015 - Legal No. 1649130

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/11172015-1215>

[*General discussion among School Board Members, the Superintendent, and staff occurred throughout this session.*]

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Hightower called the Regular Workshop to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

MANNA Food Drive – The District’s “Fill Your Neighbor’s Plate” food drive for Manna Food Pantries had begun on November 2nd and would continue through November 13th.

III. MINUTES

-No items discussed

IV. COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

-No items discussed

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a. PROPOSED ADDITIONS OR REVISIONS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT RULES

1. Rule(s) Adoption
-No items submitted
2. Permission to Advertise
-No items submitted

b. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Curriculum

L. Other

1. School District of Escambia County 2016-17 and 2017-18 School Calendar Proposals

To help School Board Members understand the process that had led to the 2016-17 and 2017-18 calendar proposals, Mr. Steve Marcanio, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, reviewed the same [packet of information](#) that had been provided to each member of the Calendar Committee. (Note: *The packet included: a handout entitled "School Calendar Requirements" which outlined the parameters as set forth by Florida Statute, School Board policy, and bargaining agreements; results from the 2016-17 and 2017-18 School Calendar Survey; and minutes from the 2015 Calendar Committee meeting.*)

2. Finance and Business Services

A. Finance

3. Superintendent's Annual Financial Report (Form ESE 145) and the Report of Financial Data to the Commissioner of Education (Form 348) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015

At the request of Mr. Bergosh, Mr. Terry St. Cyr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Business Services, provided a brief explanation regarding this item. It was noted that the appropriate Annual Financial Report (AFR) portions were submitted to the Department of Education (DOE) on September 11th and, due to the statewide unavailability of the pension reporting information and data, district were given additional time to complete the AFR and include such pension liability and associated calculations and note disclosures. This item would complete the 2014-15 AFR package and would lead to finalizing the Comprehensive Financial Report (CAFR) prior to the end of the calendar year.

3. Human Resource Services

-No items discussed

4. Operations

-No items discussed

c. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

1. School Board Appointee to Community Action Committee Board

Mrs. Moultrie offered to continue serving as the School Board's appointee to the Community Action Committee Board.

2. School Board Appointee to the Escambia County Value Adjustment Board

Mr. Bergosh offered to continue serving as the School Board's appointee to the Escambia County Value Adjustment Board.

3. Reappointment of Gerald Adcox as the School Board's Appointee to the Escambia County Value Adjust Board

Mrs. Hightower reported that Mr. Gerald Adcox had agreed to continue serving as the School Board's appointee to the Escambia County Value Adjustment Board.

d. ITEMS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

2. Student Discipline

A. Disciplinary Reassignment

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Mrs. Moultrie said she intended to refrain from voting on the recommendations of two (2) students who were listed under Item V.d.2.A., *Disciplinary Reassignment*. Mr. Bergosh said he had an opinion from the School Board's General Counsel that he should refrain from voting on this item; however, because he believed that opinion was incorrect and premature, he had yet to decide whether or not he would do so.

- e. INTERNAL AUDITING
-No items submitted
- f. ITEMS FROM GENERAL COUNSEL
-No items submitted

VII. PUBLIC FORUM

Mrs. Hightower called for public forum; however, there were no speakers.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Workshop was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Superintendent

Chair