

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES

June 26, 2014

1:00 P.M.

GARLAND BOGGUS BOARD ROOM

426 SCHOOL STREET

SEBRING, FLORIDA

PURPOSE: Discuss/Review Budget Issues

- I. Chairperson Ronnie Jackson called the School Board Workshop to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Garland Boguss Board Room, 426 School Street, Sebring, Florida. The purpose of the workshop was to Discuss/Review Budget Issues.**

On roll call, those present besides Chairperson Jackson were Mrs. Jan Shoop, Mr. Bill Brantley, Mrs. Donna Howerton, Superintendent Wally Cox, and Executive Secretary Marlene Welborn. Other staff members were present throughout the workshop.

II. Discuss/Review Budget Issues:

GCA Services Group representatives Art Durning, Keith Budinger and Julio Rineda reviewed the Status Report on Custodial Services. and provided an overview of the summer schedule. Mrs. Howerton shared her concerns with completion of projects in time for the teacher's return. GCA staff stated that a weekly updated schedule is provided to plant operators and they hope to be completed in time for teachers to work in their classrooms. GCA shared the following: A new quality control program (inspections) in place via Ipad, implementation of a new inventory control with weekly supply requests submitted by plant managers, distribution system for supplies orders in place storing all supplies received in a centralized supply space and distributed each evening to staff as needed, 12-month training provided to all employees. Mrs. Howerton shared concerns regarding supplies received by schools with bottles opened and if they can be returned. GCA staff stated that with the exception of Ready To Use (RTU) supplies all other supplies should be received unopened and may be returned if they are not.

Clarification and discussion regarding plant managers - Mr. Cox encouraged the board to complete the budget process as submitted addressing the plant manager position at a later time. Mr. Brantley shared his support of plant managers being School Board employees and requested review of the cost analysis. Mr. Averyt will provide the board documentation as requested.

Mr. Averyt reviewed budgets with Board Members. Richard Birt requested to allow the department to advertise and hire Bob Perry's replacement to allow the new person to shadow Mr. Perry. This request will be brought to the board at a later time. Harry Howes shared comments with regards to upgrading a Tech V to a management position.

Jodi Lee shared comments regarding the recent Teach-In conference and updated the Board on current vacancies.

Mr. David Solomon shared a hand-out and comments on the Transportation budget proving current fleet information and departmental needs. Mr. Solomon introduced Mr. Larry Lowder who requested to implement a progressive career path for the transportation department adding a Mechanic V position. Discussion

of alternative fuel options by board members and Mr. Solomon. Mr. Jackson thanked Mr. Solomon and his staff on behalf of the Board for keeping the buses rolling. Mr. Jackson stated the Board will review upgrade requests but will not be approving upgrades at this time.

Mr. Frank Brown updated the Board on summer projects and update on filling the plumbing vacancy. Mr. Jackson on behalf of the board, thanked Mr. Brown and the facility department for their efforts.

Mr. Tim Thompson shared a Food Service department PowerPoint and updated the board on current projects. Mr. Thompson requested a Clerk III position to ensure compliance with state mandates.

Arista staff presented the results of the health care reform study.

- III. Legislative Update
Mr. McClure shared summary of 2014 legislative session.

- IV. There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Secretary

Chairperson/Vice Chairperson