

The District School Board of Indian River County met on February 13, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. The Superintendent's Workshop was held in the Joe N. Idlette, Jr. Teacher Education Center located in the School District Office at the J.A. Thompson Administrative Center located at 6500 – 57th Street, Vero Beach, Florida 32967. District School Board Members attending were: Chairman Shawn R. Frost, Vice Chairman Charles G. Searcy, and Board Members: Dale Simchick, Laura Zorc, and Tiffany M. Justice. Dr. Mark J. Rendell, Superintendent of Schools; and Suzanne D'Agresta, School Board Attorney, were also present.

Superintendent Workshop Meeting Minutes

I. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Frost at 1:00 p.m.

II. **PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP**

Chairman Frost turned over the Workshop to Dr. Rendell. Dr. Rendell explained the Purpose of the Workshop and the Presentations that would be taking place.

III. **PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Strategic Plan Monitoring Framework – Update**

Dr. Rendell reviewed the importance of the Strategic Plan Monitoring Framework and how it is working. He stressed the importance of student success and this is what most of today's focus is on. Dr. Rendell turned the presentation over to Mr. Green and Mrs. Dampier to review the PowerPoint Presentation and hand-outs with the Board. First, Mr. Green thanked many for the data they have shared to provide so much information on this Monitoring Framework. He went on to review the changes in the graduation rates and how they affect the current data. This is a new rule throughout the state. Dr. Rendell shared more information with regards to lagging data and asked the Board Members how they would like to see the data. Mr. Frost reviewed some information with regards to the rule change that was throughout the state. Some of these numbers came from Smart Horizons and they are not considered a Florida High School, so this will affect the data. It was noted they will make a notation of this data. Mr. Green and Mrs. Dampier went on with their presentation. Additional footnotes were requested with time and date sensitive data. There was a discussion on the presentation along with the request of making sure additional reports are available. Mrs. Dampier shared the Support to Schools as well as how it is being provided.

At 2:08, Chairman Frost called for a five-minute recess. The workshop was called back to order at 2:13.

2. **Instructional Materials Adoption Process – Update**

Dr. Rendell introduced Mrs. Dampier and Dr. Jones as they were going to review the information, committee, and the timeline. A PowerPoint presentation was also being reviewed along with a hand-out for the Board Members and public. Dr. Jones

expressed her appreciation to all of the people involved in the entire process. She went on to review the Timeline and Process. There were different recommended options presented to the Board. Dr. Jones presented two options to the Board Members along with the costs. There was a discussion on the different options that were presented. The Board Members discussed the budget, additional text books to be able to be sent home, along with the digital process. It was asked if there were any survey's done. Mrs. Teske came up to speak and said a survey was done. There was discussion with regards to a classroom set with additional copies for take home. It was pointed out that each of the textbook vendors update their digital books at least one time a year. Some more frequently. The Board asked to have the additional cost options presented to them.

At 2:48, Chairman Frost called for a five-minute recess. The workshop was called back to order at 2:53.

3. Pelican Island Elementary Community School Initiative – Update

Dr. Rendell introduced Dr. Lillian Torres-Martinez and Mr. Christopher Kohlstedt. Mr. Nick Westenberger and Mr. Jon Teske were also available at the table for the presentation. He also shared with the Board Members the amount of community participation and support for this partnership. Dr. Torres-Martinez started the presentation by thanking everyone that has been participating in this community partnership. She introduced Mr. Kohlstedt, Principal of Pelican Island Elementary School. Dr. Torres-Martinez explained this has been a collaboration over the past two and a half years. Mr. Kohlstedt started off sharing the Mission and Vision. He shared who the core participants were along with sharing the information with University of Central Florida. Dr. Torres-Martinez covered the PowerPoint presentation. She explained the unique needs of community schools and the assessments of the students. United Way has been very supportive of the Community School project at Pelican Island Elementary. Dr. Torres-Martinez deferred to Mr. Teske and Mr. Westenberger for the review of the construction design and layout. They felt using the Multi-Purpose Room was the best location within the school. Dr. Rendell explained what the key purpose of a Community School is. He explained why the Multi-Purpose Room was selected. Dr. Torres-Martinez shared the challenges the school currently has and how utilizing the Multi-Purpose Room would be beneficial. It doesn't take away from any teaching space. Dr. Rendell asked Mr. Kohlstedt to explain his school's demographics and why they were chosen to be a Community School. He said the goal was to keep the children in the classroom so they can learn. The Board Members had several questions and concerns. Dr. Rendell addressed most of the questions and concerns. Dr. Torres-Martinez helped explain the purpose of the hub and the services that are being provided. The room was used for indoor PE on rainy and cold days, along with other community events. The Board Members continues to express their concerns on the budget and they feel there is a lack of information. Each Board Member has asked to provide much more information. Dr. Torres-Martinez explained that with the growth in this program, the agreements with

the community partners would be brought to the Board for approval. Dr. Rendell reviewed the hand out that shows the chronological services that have been being done. With regards to the request for data, this will be collected and provide it to the Board. The Chairman thanked everyone for their contribution to the presentation and the magic that is being done at the schools.

- IV. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Frost
Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:51 p.m.