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March 13, 2012 at 3:00 pm

Workshop Meeting
A.J. Henriquez Adm. Bldg.
241 Trumbo Road

MISSION STATEMENT – CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT
VISION STATEMENT: Graduates of Monroe County Schools are Responsible and Well Informed Global Citizens who are College and/or Career Ready.

PRESIDING: John R. Dick, Chair

PRESENT: John Dick; Andy Griffiths; Duncan Mathewson; Robin Smith-Martin; Ron Martin; Dr. Jesus Jara, Superintendent and School Board Attorney Dirk Smits

A closed attorney client session was held for Hooper v. MCSD— TIME APPROXIMATE 3:00 pm

WORKSHOP — TIME APPROXIMATE 3:30 pm

1. Discussion on Proposed Job Description, Superintendent Jara recapped the proposed job description for Chief of Staff. It does not affect Mr. Gentile's current contract. It is simply a re-shift of the work load. Mr. Gentile stated he does not feel the position with the Audit Committee will change. What will change is the audit work he stated. Mr. Gentile does envision a change in the fraud hotline. Robin Smith-Martin would like to see more definition of the Audit Action Plan. Mr. Gentile proposed an action plan for a steering committee to the Superintendent. Suggestions for revisions from the Board are to be supplied to the Superintendent.
Mr. Griffiths hopes to see workshops on the programs that will be impacted by the negative impact of the budget. Dr. Jara committed to him that will occur.
2. Discussion on Naming the Main Office at Poinciana School the "Gerald S. Braden Administrative Offices, Superintendent recapped the request received. The Board did not voice any objection to the request. Mrs. Braden addressed the Board. The committee shall move forward with naming the office.
3. Presentation of the 2011 Audit Corrective Action Plan for Tentative and Preliminary Audit Findings, Superintendent will provide the draft for the final review to the Audit and Finance Committee and it will be linked for the next meeting. Ken Gentile spoke concerning the responses and the findings. Mr. Dick remarked his displeasure with the AFR contractor. Dr. Jara briefed the Board on the status of the FEMA payment and plans to submit a plan to the Board at the next meeting. The total is about \$482,000 which can be paid over two years. This is from

1998 Hurricane Georges. Mr. Griffiths asked about the food service options. Dr. Jara advised that he did send the Board a memo indicating his intention to research the outsourcing of the Food Service Department. Mr. Gentile will be tasked with follow up on holding vendors accountable in departments that are outsourced. Mr. Dick asked why Finance and Payroll are not outsourced. Dr. Jara has looked a district's of similar size and administrative staffing. Robin Smith Martin suggested outsourcing for expertise over cost. The Superintendent suggested capping the charter school enrollments. Dr. Jara suggested moving the Adult Education Program out of Key West High School. Dr. Jara stated he did share the allocation plan with the schools. This allocation plan reduces the positions in teachers down by 47.

4. Update on the Superintendent Search, John Dick stated that Andy Newman contacted Gemini Printing and they have donated 1500 printed brochures. Mrs. Allen reviewed her power point with the Board. Mr. Dick does not wish to have any overlap between the current Superintendent and the incoming Superintendent. The Board is making the assumption that the current superintendent's term in November of 2012. Four members of the Board would like the incoming Superintendent to start the first day of School for 2012. New teachers report August 9th and therefore the Superintendent should report August 1, 2012. John Dick will speak with Mr. Blanton on a timeline for August 1, 2012 to select the appropriate date. Mr. Dick did not want to start on August 1, 2012.

5. Discussion on the Technology Policy and the IPAD Policy. Mr. Martin spoke suggested seeing the Board policy and acceptable use policy to include allowance of use of the Iphone, Ipads, kindles and etc... teachers have been told them they are told they cannot use them. Mr. Martin stated he believes that four of the 46 Ipads are used with teachers/students. Sixteen of the 46 have been issued to Administrators. The Ipads can be used at the schools. He would like to see them in the ESE department and the ones that went to administrators should be reassigned and given to the students. Dr. Jara stated that the Technology policy can be reviewed. There are ipdads purchased with Race to the Top Grant. The Board would like to research the grant and how the allocations can be made to ESE.

Citizen Input

The following addressed the Board:

Margaret Romero, Larry Murray, Emily Favreau, Captain Ed Davidson

SPECIAL ACTION ITEMS

Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent:

Ron Martin motioned, Duncan Mathewson seconded to approve,

1. Approve Superintendent's Recommendation on Employee Discipline for Emily Favreau.

Motion Passed without objection

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Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent:

Ron Martin motioned, Andy Griffiths seconded to approve,

- Approve District Participation in SACS Accreditation for public traditional schools.

Motion Passed without objection

A closed session was called for March 27, 2012 at 4:30 pm for MCSO v. Rick Z. Smith

ADJOURNMENT



John R. Dick, Chairman



Dr. Jesus F. Jara, Vice President