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MINUTES BAY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP May 24, 2018

Present: School Board Chair Ginger Littleton; School Board Members: Ryan Neves, Jerry Register and Joe W. Walker; and William V. Husfelt III, Superintendent. School Board Vice Chair Steve Moss and Attorney Franklin Harrison and were absent.

The workshop was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by School Board Chair Ginger Littleton.

SCHOOL SAFETY WORKFORCE

Mike Jones, District Safety & Security Chief, began his presentation by handing out the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act that was passed into law on March 9, 2018 and the job description for a District Police Officer. He explained that the deadlines listed in the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act must be met quickly and the plans must be submitted to Florida Department of Education by August 1, 2018.

The department will need to hire 19 more police officers to cover 22 schools. The police officer application has numerous FLDE forms, a thorough background check which includes psychiatric evaluations. Training will begin as soon as possible with the Bay County Sheriff's Office.

The Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program will train staff members in the schools to carry concealed weapons. This is a voluntary program and the volunteers will receive 132 hours of comprehensive firearm safety, 12 hours of diversity training, pass a psychological evaluation, initial drug test (and subsequent drug tests) before implementing in the schools.

The Safety & Security Office Operations Center will move to Building 10, Tom P. Haney Technical Center, due to the expansion of the department. Jones will hire 1 Lieutenant and 2 Sergeants to be paid a supplement for extra duty.

Jones has been selected as the School Safety Specialist and as such, will conduct a school security risk assessment at each school. Those finding will be reported to the School Board each year for discussion and to take action on those findings.

Walker questioned about hardening of the schools and will the entry gates be supervised by the officers. Jones stated the risk assessment team will be assessing the staff needed at the entry point of each school. Register asked about metal detectors or wandering at the entry points. The Superintendent said that the issue of staffing and the time it takes to check each person would be an obstacle. The line of students and/or visitors would be long and a metal detector would not ensure complete safety.

HALF CENT SALES TAX UPDATE

Lee Walters, Director of Facilities, presented a PowerPoint presentation.

Rumors and Misconceptions – The Half Cent Sales Tax is not a new tax, it is a continuation of the existing Half Cent Sales Tax. The Citizens Oversight Committee ensures the expenditures are within the required guidelines. The tax cannot be used for salaries, additional personnel, textbooks, or classroom supplies.

Current Proposed New Projects – Critical safety and security updates are needed for the front offices and exteriors of: Mowat Middle School, Deer Point Elementary, Southport Elementary, Surfside Middle School, J.R. Arnold High, Jinks Middle School, Everitt Middle School, Rutherford High School and Tyndall Elementary. New construction is beginning at Bay High School to include a new STEM building, complete revamping of the Administrative Building. A complete overhaul of Patronis Elementary School, Tommy Smith Elementary School and Lucille Moore Elementary School are in the plans.

Technology - More than 6,000 Chromebooks have been purchased for our middle school students. Every 3-4 years these items must be upgraded/replaced.

Lucille Moore Elementary - The front office at Lucille Moore Elementary School has been completely renovated to include a single point-of-entry. After background checks, visitors are “buzzed” into the school by the receptionist. There are no other access points open during the school day.

Safety and security projects are our number one priority right now.

Mowat Middle School - Some of the issues with securing this school include: it is built alongside two major roads, it has classroom wings that are exterior and easily accessible, the school has one classroom wing that faces the road, and it was designed so that visitors DO NOT have to go through the front office to access the campus. The school also needs updates to address issues from previous poorly-designed renovations and the age of the facility itself.

J.R. Arnold High School - Some of the issues with securing this school include: it was built to be an open, “college style” campus, visitors are NOT required to go through the front office in order to access the campus, and there are multiple points of entry.

Tommy Smith Elementary School – It is an aging facility. Additional fencing, HVAC repairs and roofing concerns need to be addressed.

Merritt Brown Middle School - This facility needs safety and security upgrades to the front office, perimeter safety updates, and site drainage as well as parking improvements are needed.

Patronis Elementary School - This school is aging and is in need of multiple repairs and renovations. Corrosion caused by Gulf proximity have caused extensive damage.

Bay High School Renovations - Bay High will be the home of the new Barbara W. Nelson Fine Arts Center. Along with this construction project, the plan is to completely renovate the Administrative Buildings and restore them to the vintage, red brick facade they originally had. This will have a HUGE positive impact on the Harrison Avenue corridor. Bay High will also get a state-of-the-art STEM Building and a facelift to the existing quadrangle at the center of the campus.

How the Half Cents Add Up - Current projects being considered add up to an excess of \$100 million.

ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS

Gena Burgans, Assistant Superintendent, began by saying that Bay District Schools has had a long relationship with Panama City Marine Institute for alternative placement. She shared the timeline of events that began in April 2018. She was informed about the termination of AMI Kids Contract with DJJ for Day Treatment Facilities which meant that Bay District Schools could no longer place students at PCMI. Currently, there are 88 students placed at the school and Burgans starting researching other options for these students. Prior to the workshop, Burgans received notification that the placement of students at PCMI was extended through the 2018-19 school year but she stated that the placement options still need to be researched and in place by January 2019.

The placement options include an alternative charter school, contract school, or a district-managed alternative school. The only option that made sense was a district-managed alternative school by combining CC Washington and Rosenwald High School.

Sarah Whaler, Coordinator of Student Placement, presented the demographics of CC Washington and Rosenwald High School. CC Washington has a population of 71 students and 21% of the students have been administrately placed. Rosenwald has a current population of 176 students and only 5% administrately placed. 95% of the students are attending for credit recovery.

Suzanne Farrar, Director of Secondary Education, explained how to restructure both schools. CC Washington Academy would have 6-12 grade students that were placed there in lieu of expulsion or for major behavioral/discipline issues. Rosenwald High School would have 6-12 students that were administrately placed and for credit recovery. Each school will be provided a SRD and intensive social and emotional supports.

CC Washington Academy – The school will serve students in grades 6-12 with major behavioral/ disciplinary issues (Alternative in Lieu of Expulsion), be tightly structured to provide minimal class change and movement from room-to-room, have a strict uniform policy - navy polo and khakis only, implement a “No Cell Phone” policy, have additional security measures put in place to ensure no trespassing between campuses, and lunch will be served in classrooms - no travel to other parts of campus.

Rosenwald High School - The school will serve students in grades 6-12 with credit recovery needs and minor disciplinary/behavioral issues (Administrative Placement), have full implementation of blended learning classrooms using Edgenuity curriculum, and 8th graders dual enrolled in both middle and high school courses. Lunch periods

will be in school cafeteria and students will continue summer credit recovery and enrichment programs.

Littleton said that the students should be celebrated for deciding to attend for credit recovery and asked if enrichment and STEM programs will be in place at Rosenwald. Farrar stated that programs will be added in the future as funding allows. Register asked if the graduating 8th grade students will have a choice to continue to attend or go to their zoned school. Farrar said that they will work with the team at the school to make the best decision for the student's educational needs. Walker likes the idea of removing behavior issues from the classroom and developing an alternative school to address discipline issues. He asked how many students will attend Rosenwald and Burgans stated that it would be a maximum of 100 students.

SCHOOL HEALTH UPDATE

Burgans introduced Mandi Chesser, RN, **Florida Department of Health**. Chesser began with a PowerPoint presentation indicating the expenditures per student for health related services. The State of Florida spent on average \$68.98 per student and Bay County spent \$35.05 per student in 2016-17.

Chesser presented the 10 year review in health services for Bay County. Average medication administration has increased by 140%, health conditions by 51%, and immunizations follow ups by 27%.

The current staffing for 35 schools include: 1 Health Services Supervisor, 1 Health Services Administrative Assistant, 7 Registered Nurses, 33 Health Service Technicians, and 2 floating Health Service Technicians. Services provided were 1,415 care plans, 46,567 health room visits, 41,455 medications dispensed, and 435 hours of in-service classes. 31% of students have a reported health condition, 12% have serious/ life threatening conditions and the staffing ratio is 1 RN to 5.73 schools in Bay County.

Chesser stated that the Department of Health will **NO LONGER** provide any **ESE Nursing services** or **data entry** of immunizations and school health physicals. She presented 3 proposals for the 2018-19 school year to the School Board for staffing and services with the budget expenses attached to each.

Proposal A includes services of Proposal B plus provide training and supervision of Health Support Technicians, to be called Health Paraprofessional, at each District school (35 schools/30 sites) and oversee all activities, documentation and services provided by Health Paraprofessional. It will cost the district an additional \$519,659.50.

Proposal B includes services of Proposal C plus IHCP for Non-ESE students, student specific training as it relates to their health condition & medication needs, medication training for District employees, designated District personnel **MUST** attend scheduled off-site training offered by FDOH (dates TBD by FDOH & LEA School Health Coordinators), site visits to schools to ensure compliance of State protocols and standard guidelines. This proposal reduces BDS Contribution to \$157,174.06.

Proposal C is that FDOH RNs will only provide Health Screenings, ensure Immunization compliance, provide Health Education and Health Promotion at each District school, and compile School Health data for State reporting (HMS). There will be no cost to the district.

Lee Stafford, Director of Student Services, introduced Robert Thompson, **PanCare of Florida, Inc.** His company is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization which operates Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) in Bay, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty, Walton, and Washington counties in the Florida panhandle. PanCare served 23,500 patients through 85,000 encounters annually (2017); projected to serve 27,000 patients through 100,000 encounters annually by 2019. Current locations are Youngstown - Medical/Dental/Behavioral Health Clinic and Panama City - Medical/Behavioral Health Clinic on 15th St, Dental Clinic on 11th St. and a Mobile Medical and Dental Program.

Schools of Hope – Thompson shared that PanCare is providing services to Lucille Moore and Springfield Elementary. They provide a tele-health computer program that allows the school to speak with a doctor on the computer, a licensed social worker or a psychiatrist, and dental services to the students free of charge. Future programs will include: Telehealth Program - Urgent Care, Sick Visits, Primary Care, Well Checks, Physicals, Health Screenings, Behavioral Healthcare, Medication Management, Crisis Intervention and Counseling.

Preventive Dental Services for BDS Students - FDOH- Bay County provides Dental exam by dentist, Dental cleaning, Fluoride treatment, Oral hygiene instructions, and Sealants and replacement of sealants, if necessary (2nd grade only). PanCare of Florida, Inc. provides: Dental exam by dentist, X-rays taken as needed, Dental cleaning- 2 times each year, Fluoride treatment- 2 times each year, Oral hygiene instructions, Annual dental sealants replacement of sealants, if necessary (all students), and a Complimentary toothbrush, toothpaste and dental floss after each visit.

The next step for PanCare is to initiate the RFP process and present the recommendation to the School Board.

Franklin Harrison reminded the School Board that they cannot approve a contract without services for ESE students.

With no further business scheduled to come before the Board, Chair Littleton adjourned the School Board Workshop at 1:30 p.m.



Ginger Littleton
Chair



Bill Husfelt
Superintendent