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**MINUTES
BAY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP
January 24, 2019**

**POST HURRICANE MICHAEL:
WHERE WE ARE & OUR PLANS TO MOVE FORWARD**

BOARD ROOM – 9:00 A.M.

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WORKSHOP

Present: School Board Chairman Steve Moss; School Board Vice Chair Pamm Chapman; School Board Members: Ginger Littleton and Jerry Register; Superintendent Bill Husfelt and Attorney Franklin Harrison. School Board Member Ryan Neves participated via conference phone.

The workshop was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by School Board Chairman Steve Moss. He shared that today’s workshop will be streamed on the Bay District Schools website and explained the workshop rules which include that the Board Members are hearing information that is open for their discussion but no hearing from the public or voting will take place today.

The Superintendent thanked the teachers and staff for rising to the challenges they are facing every day in the schools and in the district. He announced that the agenda will be as follows:

- Introduction of Where We Are Today, Superintendent Husfelt
- Academic Updates, Denise Kelley, Assistant Superintendent
- Facilities Updates, Lee Walters, Director
- Financial Challenges, Jim Loyed, CFO
- Recommendations and Timeframe, Superintendent Husfelt
- Closing

Introduction of Where We Are Today

Bay District Schools by The Numbers – Student count decreased from 21,981 to 18,832 (14%) after the storm. Elementary schools are down 25% excluding the beach schools. 5 schools are at 60% capacity. We lost 181 employees. 738 students were homeless prior to the storm and has now risen to 4,720 students. The District opened daycare so that staff and students could return. 126 children were served at 8 sites. Approximately 73% of multi-family apartments were damaged making a lack of housing an issue.

Academic Updates from Elementary & Secondary Instruction

Elementary Update – 290 students that were not accounted for were located using various methods by school staff.

Secondary Updates – 882 students have withdrawn. AICE, AP and IB testing will take place as scheduled, deadlines for college/university admissions and fee waivers have been implemented by many institutions, scholarship deadlines have been extended, and technology, hot spots, textbooks and resources have been provided for students to ensure success in advanced college level classes. Middle and high schools operating on the “split” schedule have gone above and beyond to make the shared campus work.

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Host schools welcomed their peers and shared resources. Rutherford High School and Everitt Middle School are working to combine their schools by sharing teachers, resources and equipment. The Winter MAP Progress Monitoring window is Jan. 7th - Feb. 1st. All grade K-8 students will be testing during this time. School and district data reporting will be available on Feb. 2nd. Moss inquired about the state testing window. Kelley stated that the district must move forward but keep in mind the student's mental health. Waivers have been requested and if the students are tested, not to use the data for school grades, teacher evaluations or student retention.

Facilities Updates

Pictures of damaged facilities were shared: Jinks Middle School, Everitt Middle School, Springfield Elementary School, Bay High School, Southport Elementary School, St. Andrew School, Mosley High School, Callaway Elementary School, Deer Point Elementary School, Rosenwald and CC Washington, Hiland Park Elementary, Rutherford High School, Oscar Patterson Elementary School, M. Cherry St. Elementary School, MKL in Millville, Tyndall Elementary School, Parker Elementary School, Mowat Middle School, Lynn Haven Elementary School, Cedar Grove Elementary School, Arnold High School, Surfside Middle School, Patronis Elementary School, H. Beach Elementary School, Breakfast Pt. Elementary School, West Bay Elementary School, D. Bozeman School, Haney Technical Center, Transportation Department, Maintenance Department, Tommy Smith Elementary School, and Merritt Brown Middle School.

Financial Challenges

Estimated costs:

	Temporary Portables	Remediation (Temp Repairs)	Permanent Repairs	Total Costs
High Schools	\$2,976,400	\$11,435,549	\$37,000,000	\$51,411,949
Middle Schools	\$4,897,200	\$9,114,977	\$81,750,000	\$95,762,177
Elementary Schools	\$625,800	\$16,104,450	\$98,400,000	\$115,130,250
Special Schools	\$277,200	\$1,936,355	\$19,700,000	\$21,913,555
Other District Facilities		\$3,487,486	\$16,000,000	\$19,487,486
Total District	* \$8,776,600	\$42,078,817	\$252,850,000	\$303,705,417

Cost Type	Total Cost
Temporary Portables	\$8,776,600
Remediation (Temp Repairs)	\$42,078,817
Permanent Repairs	\$252,850,000
Buses/Vehicles	\$1,300,000
Contents	\$25,000,000
Total	\$330,005,417

Potential LCI Millage Loss from Decreased Taxable Values:

Taxable Value	Decrease in Taxable Value	Millage Rate	Millage Proceeds	Decrease in Millage Proceeds
\$ 17,551,314,193		1.290	\$ 21,735,547	
\$ 16,551,314,193	(\$1,000,000,000)	1.290	\$ 20,497,147	(\$ 1,238,400)
\$ 16,051,314,193	(\$1,500,000,000)	1.290	\$ 19,877,947	(\$ 1,857,600)
\$ 15,551,314,193	(\$2,000,000,000)	1.290	\$ 19,258,747	(\$ 2,476,800)

Total Hurricane loss is in excess of \$300 million. We anticipate a reduction in ad valorem taxes for LCI Millage of \$1.2 - \$2.5 million for FY 19/20 due to a reduction in taxable values. We estimate an operational loss of \$12 - \$17 million for FY 18/19 and \$24 - \$34 million for FY 19/20 due to a loss of students.

Recommendations and Timeframe

Where do we go from here? The recommendations include to restructure Rutherford High School to become a 6-12 school, “mothball” Oakland Terrace, Callaway, and Oscar Patterson Elementary Schools and rezone to other area schools until the population returns. CC Washington Academy and Rosenwald High School will combine. This will maximize the seating capacity and cut facility costs until the population returns. Long term recommendations include rebuilding and restructuring Everitt Middle School and Springfield Elementary School as a K-8 school, restructure and reconstruct Tyndall Elementary School as a K-8 school, and restructure and reconstruct Jinks Middle School as a K-8 school.

Why? Financial stability. The loss of students will equal major reductions in staff the district does not try to minimize costs. The hope is that the state will assist the district with the damages and loss of FTE. Timeline was shared. Free lunches will continue for the remainder of the year for everyone (non-charter). Recommendations will be officially made at a Special Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

At 11:35 a.m., with no further business scheduled to come before the Board, Chairman Moss adjourned the School Board Workshop.

Steve Moss
 Chairman

Bill Husfelt
 Superintendent