

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

WORKSHOP, OCTOBER 8, 2024

The Lafayette County School Board held a workshop on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Marion McCray, Vice-Chair; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; Mr. Darren Driver, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; Mrs. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney. Mrs. Amanda Hickman, Chairperson was not present. In attendance from the Florida Department of Education Office of Educational Facilities was Mr. Rick Vermillion, Director of Educational Facilities and Mrs. Violet Brown, Senior Educational Program Director.

Florida Department of Education Special Facilities Funding

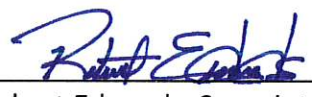
Mrs. Violet Brown, Senior Educational Program Director shared a presentation on Special Facilities Funding, it outlined how to qualify and apply for the program. The purpose of the program is to assist districts that are unable to save enough money to build on their own. Through the Special Facilities Funding Program, you can request one school plant free of charge. Once you apply for the program and provide the appropriate documentation, within 90 days a committee will visit your site to determine critical need. She further explained the criteria to meet critical need. Once you have met critical need, then your school district along with other districts who have qualified will present to a committee for ranking. The school district must be ranked to be included in the legislative session for budgeting. Throughout the presentation school board members were given the opportunity to share their thoughts and ask questions. The Superintendent and School Board thanked Mr. Rick Vermillion and Mrs. Violet Brown for coming and expressed their appreciation for the explanation of the Special Facilities Funding Program process.

ADJOURNMENT

The workshop was adjourned at 6:05pm.



Marion McCray, Vice Chairperson

ATTEST: 

Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board