

The District School Board of Indian River County met on March 28, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. The workshop was held in the 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 Charles G. Searcy, Vice Chairman Shawn R. Frost, 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 Minutes**

I. Workshop was called to order by Chairman Searcy.

II. **PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP**

Dr. Rendell stated that the purpose of the workshop was to present information on three subjects. The first presentation was to begin to develop the budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. He said that information to be presented would show where the District was now and where to go from here. Dr. Rendell said that the second item was to present an update on the health insurance expenditures versus available funds. The third presentation was on changes to the Code of Student Conduct.

Dr. Rendell said that he would have another configuration for the seating at workshops at the next workshop.

III. **PRESENTATIONS – Dr. Rendell**

**A. 2017-2018 Budget**

Mr. Morrison said that there had been seven changes to the backup materials that were emailed to Board Members on Friday that he would point out as they go through the information. He said that this presentation was the kickoff to begin the process of presenting the District budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Mr. Morrison said that there were eleven handouts that he reviewed to ensure everyone had all of the documents. Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Morrison presented the budget information. Dr. Rendell and Mr. Morrison answered questions from Board Members. Mr. Morrison said that Board Members would have four budget workshops and two public hearings before the budget was adopted in September 2017.

Chairman Searcy called for a break at 3:09 p.m. and reconvened the workshop at 3:19 p.m.

**B. Health Insurance Update**

Dr. Rendell stated that information would be presented to see how the insurance plan was doing. Dr. Fritz introduced Ms. Amanda Brooke Kross and Mr. Richard Kaufman, both from AON Group. He also introduced another AON representative, Human Resources Staff, and District Insurance Committee Members. As of this workshop date, the insurance plan was ahead of projections by over \$300,000. The end-of-plan-year projections were expected to be negative -\$1.2 million. It was stated that premiums would remain the same for the next plan year. Aon presented opportunities for change that would be advantageous, monetarily, for the District. The changes would be brought to the April 11 business meeting for approval.

There was a discussion to go out for an RFP in October 2017 for a Plan Administrator that was currently contracted to Florida Blue. Staff presented information on the Indian River County School's Employee Health and Wellness Center. Board Members were given an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions.

Chairman Searcy called for a break at 4:22 p.m. and reconvened the workshop at 4:32 p.m.

**C. Code of Student Conduct**

Dr. Torres-Martinez presented the process used for reviewing the Positive Climate and Discipline Code of Student Conduct changes that brought members from the community, schools, parents, and students into the process. She highlighted changes being proposed for adoption for the 2017-2018 school year. Board Members asked questions and made suggestions. At the April 11 business meeting, there would be a request to set a public hearing date for adoption of the Code at the May 23 business meeting.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Searcy**

With no further discussion, the workshop adjourned at approximately 5:10 p.m.