The District School Board of Indian River County met on 2/28/2017, at 6:00 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.

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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 both the instructional materials adoption process and the Battelle for Kids' Five-Year Strategic Plan process. He noted that after the workshop, Board Members were scheduled for individual interviews with Battelle for Kids.

III. PRESENTATIONS

A. Instructional Materials Adoption Process – Mrs. Dampier

Mrs. Dampier stated that Dr. Long and Mrs. Berg from the Curriculum Department would present the process utilized for the instructional materials adoption. Social Studies K-12 Committee Meetings were held on October 11, 2016, November 9, 2016, and December 16, 2016. A Textbook Extravaganza was held on November 15, 2016, in the TEC for all teachers and community members. All materials were on display for review from November 15 through January 3, 2017. A District Connect ED call was made to all parents and flyers were sent home. Social Studies materials were currently available in the Curriculum & Instruction Office, school sites, and District website. Board Members were given an opportunity to ask questions and to make suggestions for future instructional materials adoptions.

Chairman Searcy called for a break at 1:34 p.m. He reconvened the workshop at 1:38 p.m.

B. Five-Year Strategic Plan – Dr. Rendell

Battelle for Kids Staff: Bobby Moore, Ed.D., Senior Director of Strategy and Innovation; Suzanne Amos, Director of Communications; and Kimberly Ratcliff, Public Communications, attended the workshop.

Dr. Rendell said that this was the first step in creating a Five-Year Strategic Planning Guide for the District. He said that he wanted to ensure that it was done right. Dr. Rendell said that in March the Battelle for Kids Staff would return to meet with the community. Mr. Green said that they were already working on some dates in March to consider. Battelle Staff reviewed the 2017 timeline. In March their staff would engage the community and all stake holders. In April, the design would be formulated with the launch scheduled for May. Board Members were given an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions. Dr. Rendell noted that Battelle for Kids would work with the District through the launch. Mrs. D'Agresta said the Board must meet to discuss any feedback for Battelle staff. Dr. Rendell said that he would see if it was possible to have the March schedule of community dates available by the end of the week.

Dr. Rendell invited the public to speak. There was one speaker who was concerned about the launch in May, being the end of the school year. Board Members responded. Dr. Rendell stated that the true launch would occur in August. Dr. Rendell said that information would be available on the website.

IV. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman SearcyMeeting adjourned at approximately 2:24 p.m.