

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. The workshop was held in the Teacher Education Center located at the J.A. Thompson Administrative Center, 1990 25th Street, Vero Beach, Florida. School Board Members attending were: Chairman Carol Johnson, Vice Chairman Claudia Jiménez, and Board Members: Jeff Pegler, and Karen Disney-Brombach. Dr. Frances J. Adams, Superintendent of Schools, and School Board Attorney Suzanne D'Agresta were also present. Board Member Matthew McCain was not present.

### **2014 Technology Plan Workshop**

- I. Workshop was called to order by Chairman Johnson.
- II. Purpose of the Workshop – Dr. Adams  
Dr. Adams turned it over to Mr. Green to bring the Board up to date on the LIIS (Local Instructional Improvement System)
- III. Presentation of 2014 Technology Plan – Mr. Green  
Mr. Green explained that the minimum standards for the LIIS were developed through Florida's Race to the Top award by the US Department of Education. A goal was then established that every District in the State would be equipped with a local instructional improvement system (LIIS) that met stakeholder needs for access to and use of data to inform instruction in the classroom, operations at the school and District, and research all by June 2014. Florida Department of Education identified nine required component areas:
  - Standards and Curriculum
  - Instructional Practices
  - Assessment and Growth
  - Facilitator Profile
  - Learner Profile
  - Analysis and Reporting
  - Documentation and Support
  - Data Integration
  - IT Platform and Security

Mr. Green stated that a portion of the .6 millages would be used to update the current data systems, as well as, implement new systems to comply with the mandates of the LIIS. He spoke of the State Committee that wrote approximately 1,200 standards, within the component areas, that the data system must meet. It was then pared down to 675 minimum requirements that must be met by June 2014. This would leave the remaining 600 plus requirements as optional for future years. Mr. Green said that his department had gone over all 675 standards to see what they have and where they needed to go. Overall, the current status of all LIIS elements met as of this date was 65% met, 20% formal plan in place but no action so far, 10% implementation in progress, and 5% standards not met. Mr. Green reviewed their action plan for all nine component

areas. He said that they felt comfortable with where they were currently in meeting the minimum standards and they knew what needed to be done by June 2014. Mr. Green stated that they were going to establish committees that would be responsible for looking at the various vendor systems. Their work would include looking at the 55 standards that were currently not met and that had no formal plan on how to meet them at this time. In summary, he said that by implementing a few key systems, they would be down to being out of compliance with only 5 out of the 675 standards by June 2014.

Mr. Green reviewed the current and future staffing needs for his department. He explained the integration of all systems into one and the degree of difficulty to accomplish that goal.

IV. Questions – Chairman Johnson

Board Members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Mr. Green explained that the millage would cover the implementation but not future maintenance costs and staffing requirements. Mrs. D'Agresta said that it was too early in the legislative session to answer questions regarding public data requests. Mr. Green talked about upgrading of school site infrastructure, broadband width, and student devices. He also mentioned that the District did not have computer programmers, when compared to other Districts that had five or more. Mr. Green also noted that his department experienced a 30% staff budget cut. They currently had one support technician for every five elementary schools. Dr. Adams noted that the School District was not competitive regarding salary. Mr. Green noted that it was hard to compete. Mr. Green said that they were currently working on having the right job descriptions in place and have had discussions on the need for a project manager to focus on the new mandates. Mrs. D'Albora stated that this was the beginning and they would bring more information for the Board to review.

V. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Johnson

With no further discussion, the workshop adjourned at approximately 2:15 p.m.