

The Indian River County District School Board met on Tuesday, May 14, 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, Matthew McCain, and Karen Disney-Brombach. Dr. Frances J. Adams, Superintendent of Schools, and School Board Attorney Suzanne D'Agresta were also present.

“State of the District”
Workshop

- I. Called Workshop to Order – Chairman Johnson
- II. Purpose of the Workshop
The purpose of the workshop was to present what had been accomplished and what they were currently working toward.
- III. Presentation of *State of the District* – Dr. Adams
Dr. Adams said that this was a new report for the District. She said that when she reflected back on the year, it was quite overwhelming at times. In general, everybody in the District, in all positions, felt as though there was too much to do and not enough time. Dr. Adams said that we had to be careful not to become a culture of compliance, deadlines, and tasks. She said that we wanted focus on being a culture of innovation, caring, and support. Dr. Adams reported on the overwhelming number of mandates, the record changes in leadership, the security awareness issues, the financial stability with cautious optimism, and unprecedented community support.

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation on the *State of the District*, Dr. Adams presented information in the areas of Curriculum and Instruction, Human Resources, Finance and Operations, and Information Technology.

Future

Mission: *“Develop a program for implementing schools of innovation and transformation that can be replicated for all schools in the District.”*

Dr. Adams presented her vision and mission for the future: *“Every School is to be a School of Innovation and Transformation”*. She said that she would start the process and develop a model that could be replicated. Dodgertown, Glendale, and Highlands Elementary Schools were chosen because of their new leadership and need. A District-wide Taskforce would be created to discuss the mission and vision for success for all students. The Task Force would build a network of support for these leaders and schools. Dr. Adams said that it would require a year of planning. The following year it would be implemented. She said that we

needed to empower the schools, with maximum flexibility. Dr. Adams talked about the areas that would be included in the creation of the model.

IV. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Johnson

Chairman Johnson applauded everyone sitting at the table and behind the scenes. She said that this would be another bold challenge and was looking forward to part B.

With no further discussion, the workshop adjourned at approximately 2:32 p.m.