

The District School Board of Indian River County met on October 24, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. The Superintendent's 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. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Searcy at 1:00 p.m.

II. PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP – Dr. Rendell

Dr. Rendell addressed the Board Members to share there were four topics on the agenda. One of the topics, the School Start Times Survey Review, was postponed. Dr. Rendell explained that some of the members of the committee were not available and it was postponed. He went on to preface the other topics.

As Dr. Rendell introduced PBIS Presentation (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) as the first presentation of the Workshop, he introduced Dr. Lillian Torres-Martinez as the team leader of this committee. Dr. Rendell turned the workshop over to Dr. Torres-Martinez. She shared a PowerPoint presentation with the Board Members with regards to positive behavior. Dr. Torres-Martinez introduced Mrs. Robyn Vanover, who is the Technical Assistant/Specialist and Facilitator from University of South Florida. There were two teachers from Glendale Elementary available to review the CHAMPS Program. CHAMPS stands for: Conversation Level, Help, Activity, Movement, Participation, and Success. As Mrs. Vanover discussed the many approaches and positive goals, she took questions from Board Members. There was discussion of the National PBIS Centers and recommendations for equity. One of the Board Members asked who inputs the data so this can be followed. Dr. Rendell explained this is done while entering such things as referrals and other information into FOCUS. The Board Members had other questions, and they were all answered. A Board Member asked about bus referrals and lunch room issues, how are these handled along with asking if these departments are being provided the proper tools. Dr. Torres-Martinez responded and said there is a training program that has just started. Another question came up regarding substitute teachers and training. One of the guest teachers responded and said these are reviewed with the substitute teachers. Along with sharing how well the CHAMPS program is working within their school. There were several other questions that were asked and the panel covered each of them. The Board Members thanked the panel for the presentation.

At 2:12 p.m., Chairman Searcy called for a five-minute break.

Chairman Searcy called the Workshop to Order at 2:17 p.m. At which time, Dr. Rendell introduced the presentation for Property Casualty and Workers Compensation Update by Mr. Morrison, Mr. McCreary, and Mr. Nelson. Mr. Morrison prefaced his presentation with the timeline, including the reorganization back in July of 2017, when he took over this task. He also took this time to introduce Mr. Time McCreary, President of Ascension Benefits & Insurance Solutions, and Mr. Keith Nelson, CFO & COO of Ascension Benefits & Insurance Solutions. Mr. Morrison. They started with a PowerPoint presentation, the benefit of being in a consortium, and some recommendations. Mr. McCreary reviewed the SCERMP (South Central Educational Risk Management Pool) program, Mod rate, premiums, and pooling. He also reviewed the history, quality controls, claims, and savings being with Ascension Benefits & Insurance Solutions. The position of a Risk Management Manager/Insurance Specialist/Coordinator was discussed. As the Board Members had questions, Mr. Morrison, Mr. McCreary, and Mr. Nelson responded to all of them.

Dr. Rendell reminded everyone the workshop is set up as an information session and we were asking for guidance. We are thinking about presenting a position to the Board for Risk Management Coordinator and Employee Benefits. We will craft the job description and bring it to the Board as soon as possible. The Board Members had a few questions regarding the both titles and they were all answered.

At 3:30 p.m., Chairman Searcy called for a five-minute break.

Chairman Searcy called the Workshop to Order at 3:43, he then turned to workshop over to Dr. Rendell. Dr. Rendell presented the final presentation being "iReady", Progress Monitoring Update. He first introduced Mr. Green and his guest along with stating this was going to be a tag team presentation with Mrs. Dampier and her team to follow and close the workshop.

Mr. Green first off introduced his presenters, Mr. Brian McMahon, Performance Data Analyst, and Mr. Ken Tam from Curriculum and Associates. He wanted to start with a Data Review, in a PowerPoint presentation. They shared how iReady is used, some of the data that is involved, reporting, and the changes in standards. Diagnostic Assessments were discussed for the different times of the year and the reports that are available. The slides show a decline as the student's climb in years. The Board Members had some questions with regards to intensive math, proficiency in the FSA, trends and how these are going to be met. Mr. Tam explained predications are made on where we want the students to be, grade level standards, and where the focus needs to be to bring the student up to grade level standards. The panel reviewed many of the predictions and measures. A Board Member asked for more detailed information with regards to middle school. Mr. Tam did state this can be provided. With no further questions, Mr. Green turned the rest of the presentation over to Mrs. Dampier and her team.

Mrs. Dampier started with introducing her guest speakers; Mrs. Kelly Baysura, Mrs. Karin Hammler, and Ms. Dana Rogers. Mrs. Baysura continued with the PowerPoint

presentation. She reviewed reports that are provided along with the data. She showed it by classroom and student. It was pointed out that the teacher will use this to show the students' strengths and weaknesses. Parents will also be able to see how their child is doing in the classroom. They discussed on line textbooks, interactive video tutorials - all by level. There are resources for all levels. This is to provide instructional support for all. Mrs. Dampier asked if the Board has any questions. The Board Members had some staffing questions and these were all answered. There was a question with regards to the different levels within the classroom. Mrs. Dampier responded with regards to balancing a classroom versus each class having the same level. One of the Board Members asked if iReady has been communicated to the parents properly. Mrs. Dampier said Mrs. Malits has put a program together for the parents.

Dr. Rendell wanted to make sure this information was shared with the Board and how they are using iReady more this year than they did last year. He was pleased with the amount of data that is able to be pulled and how to use it.

- III. ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Searcy  
Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:47 p.m.