

AGENDA
SCHOOL BOARD OF SANTA ROSA COUNTY
WORKSHOP
April 6, 2021-5:00 PM

Items for Review and Discussion

A. Florida Education Financial Program Second Calculation Review

The School Board of Santa Rosa County met for the Florida Education Financial Program Second Calculation Workshop at 5:00 P.M. with the following members present: Mrs. Wei Ueberschaer, Chairperson; Mrs. Linda Sanborn, Vice-Chairperson; Mrs. Carol Boston, Mr. Charles Elliott, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hewey.

Also present were School Board Attorney, Terry Harmon; and Dr. Karen Barber, Superintendent of Schools and Secretary.

For a complete word for word transcript, please see the video. The following presentation to the Board has been condensed.

The presentation covers the FEFP (Florida Education Finance Program) 2020/2021 second calculation. The major purpose of the FEFP is to provide equitable funding for public schools across the State. The formula for the FEFP calculation considers millage differences and district cost differentials (costs in area). The K-12 unweighted FTE for the second calculation was 29,249.51. The Department of Education did not change the FTE from the first calculation. The K-12 total funding (includes State and Local) for the second calculation was \$223,683,338. The funding per unweighted FTE was \$7647.42. The K-12 funding formula was discussed.

The program name, program number, and program cost factors were discussed. The weighted number of students for the programs, the funding per weighted FTE, the Base funding, and the Base funding formula were discussed. The various categorical program amounts and use of those funds were covered. The net state FEFP formula, was explained and the definition of the McKay and Family Empowerment Scholarships adjustments were covered.

The second calculation funding was compared for Santa Rosa and Okaloosa County. Okaloosa received a total of \$31,246,247 more in funding than Santa Rosa.

A memo from DOE that was received in February was discussed. The memo and attachments had adjustments to the funding due to changes in McKay and Family Empowerment Scholarships. The formula for the adjustment was shown. The actual revenue reduction was discussed.

Questions were answered throughout the presentation. The House and Senate runs for next fiscal year were also discussed briefly. Potential funding cuts were covered and potential increased funding from ESSER II (CARES funds) were discussed.