



BIBB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Bibb County Board of Education
Board Retreat Minutes
Friday, September 20, 2013
2:00 p.m.**

The Bibb County Board of Education met at the Museum of Aviation, Warner Robins, Georgia for a Board Retreat on Friday, September 20, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. Dr. Wanda West called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

Members present were Dr. Wanda West, Ella Carter, Dr. Thelma Dillard, Jason Downey, Lynn Farmer, Tom Hudson, Lester Miller and Sue Sipe. Staff members present were Interim Superintendent, Dr. Steve Smith, Ed Judie, Ron Collier, Dr. Erin Weaver, Sylvia Hooker, Dr. Mike Hall, Dr. Kelley Castlin-Gacutan, David Gowan, Jason Daniel, Donna Poole and Randy Howard, Legal Counsel. Mike Stuka and Charles Richardson from *The Telegraph* were also present.

Board members were given a tour of the Museum of Aviation and an explanation of the partnership between the Museum and the Bibb County School District. Following the tour Dr. Smith addressed the Board on the Future of Public Education and where we are. District level personnel addressed the Board with department updates: Dr. Erin Weaver, Academic/School Improvement; Donna Poole, Program for Exceptional Children; Sylvia Hooker, Governance and School Improvement; Ed Judie, Student Services; Dr. Kelley Castlin-Gacutan, Human Resources/Personnel; Ron Collier, Fiscal Services; Jason Daniel, Facilities and Capital Projects; Dr. Mike Hall, Technology and David Gowan, School Emergency Preparedness.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.



**Bibb County Board of Education
Board Retreat Minutes
Saturday, September 21, 2013
8:30 a.m.**

The Bibb County Board of Education met at the Museum of Aviation, Warner Robins, Georgia for the second day of their Board Retreat on Saturday, September 21, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. Dr. Wanda West called the meeting to order at 8:47 a.m.

Members present were Dr. Wanda West, Ella Carter, Dr. Thelma Dillard, Jason Downey, Lynn Farmer, Tom Hudson, Lester Miller and Sue Sipe. Staff members present were Interim Superintendent, Dr. Steve Smith and Randy Howard, Legal Counsel. Also present were Tony Arasi and Zenda Bowie, presenters with Georgia School Boards Association, and Mike Stuka and Charles Richardson, with *The Telegraph*.

Tony Arasi and Zenda Bowie presented *Effective School Board Governance*. Following their presentation, Dr. Smith led the Board in a discussion on “where we go from here.” The Board discussed the graduation rate, discipline, need for more Campus Police, timeline/selection process for the superintendent search, training for principals, virtual schools, overage students, non-traditional education programs, School Councils, Beta Clubs, technology, processes and procedures, early intervention, reading programs, vendors and contractors, minority contractors, vendor fairs, and moving Central Office to Hutchings Career Center.

In a discussion regarding moving the Central Offices to Hutchings Career Center, the Board approved the Interim Superintendent to proceed with a feasibility study of Hutchings Career Center and an appraisal of the Central Office Building, 484 Mulberry Street, Macon, GA. Dr. Dillard made a motion to proceed with the feasibility study and appraisal seconded by Mr. Miller and approved 8-0.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Wanda S. West, President

E. Steven Smith, Ph.D.
Interim Superintendent