MINUTES
LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
WORKSHOP, OCTOBER 20, 2026

The Lafayette County School Board held a workshop on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, beginning at 7:15 p.m. in the School Board Administration Building following the regular School Board meeting. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Darren Driver, Chairperson; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; Mrs. Kimberly Adams, Member; Mrs. Mary Anne McCray, School Board Member-Elect; and Mrs. Kristyn Folsom, School Board Member-Elect.

School Board Member Transition Training

Andrea Messina, Chief Executive Officer of the Florida School Boards Association (FSBA), conducted a transition and orientation training workshop for the Board. She provided an overview of the key governance roles and statutory responsibilities of the Superintendent and the School Board.

The presentation focused on the distinction between governance and management, emphasizing that the School Board's authority is collective and exercised through policy adoption, vision setting, and budget oversight, while the Superintendent is tasked with implementing policy, directing staff, and managing day-to-day district operations. Additional topics discussed included statutory frameworks under Article IX of the Florida Constitution, basic concepts of Florida school finance (such as the FEFP, millage rates, and categorical funds), compliance with Sunshine and public records laws, and protocols for handling constituent and family inquiries through appropriate district channels.

ADJOURNMENT

The workshop was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Darren Driver, Chairperson

ATTEST: _____

Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board