

Edge for Educational Excellence, Inc.

Minutes of the Meeting – September 19, 2013

**Putnam EDGE High School
1100 S. 18th Street, Palatka, Florida 32177**

The meeting was called to order by President, Pat Freeman at 3:15pm.

Present: Pat Freeman, John Nelson, Terry Hadaway and Melanie Brown.

Also Present: Lisa Parsons, School Director

Absent: Jim Surrency and Grace Thomas (excused)

Ms. Freeman extended a warm welcome to everyone. Ms. Freeman also introduced Danny Hood. One of his PCSD responsibilities is to serve as the Liaison to the Charter Schools for the District.

No member of the public asked to speak.

Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda was approved except for Item N which was pulled for discussion (Hadaway/Brown)

Item N Discussion: Ms. Parsons provided an overview of the need for a part-time reading teacher and asked for the total amount instead of the breakdown. The Board approved \$9,350 for a part-time reading teacher from Title I Funds (Nelson/Brown)

Old Business - None

New Business

Selection of Employee Health Insurance Plan 2013-2014 – Ms. Freeman stated that two proposals were received from the RFPs for insurance. Ms. Freeman asked Cory Booth with Bates & Hewett to provide an overview of options and share insights into the impact of Obamacare Health Exchange. Ms. Freeman commented that she had hoped the Board would have enough information to make a decision, but without knowing what is on the Exchange, we can't be certain at this time what is in best interest of Edge and the staff. If Edge offers insurance, employees will be locked in for a year. Employees may be able to get better rates and tax incentives through the Exchange. Mr. Booth stated that the new Exchange is suppose to be up and running by October 1st. Ms. Brown expressed a desire to have insurance available to our employees as part of their benefit package. Following some discussion, the Board would like to make a decision at the October meeting once the options have been reviewed.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Freeman
President