

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
APPROVED MINUTES  
**COMMUNITY SCHOOLS WORKSHOP**  
September 1, 2015

The School Board met in workshop session duly called at 4 p.m. in the Boardroom, 620 East University Ave., Gainesville, Florida. Present were: Leanetta McNealy, Chairman; Eileen Roy, Vice-Chairman; April Griffin, Rob Hyatt, and Gunnar Paulson, Board members; Owen Roberts, Superintendent; staff members; and David Delaney, Board Attorney.

The workshop was called to order by Chairman McNealy.

At Dr. Roberts' request, Mrs. Griffin explained how she became involved with the Community Schools' concept, through Evans Community School in Orlando. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the concept and the potential for bringing it to Alachua County.

Ms. Jennifer Anchors, Executive Director, Children's Home Society of Florida, conducted a detailed presentation [see Supplementary Minutes or online Minutes], which explained how student needs are met, the requirements and the commitment involved.

Discussion was held, with it being noted that the next step would be to get partners together, choose a school and a principal, and develop an MOU. Ms. Anchors will draft an MOU that the district can edit.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.