

The Board Brief

This edition of *The Board Brief* is a summary of the information presented at the Board of Education's Budget Work Session on April 16, 2013.

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Information Presented

Board Work Session Focuses on FY 2014 Budget

Acting Superintendent Susanne Griffin-Ziebart led Board members in a Board Budget Work Session and Financial Governance Training Session with the assistance of Interim Chief Financial Officer Sharon Roberts.

The work session was split into two segments, with each presentation focusing on the preparation of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Budget.

To view the first presentation titled Bibb County Board of Education Board Work Session Financial Governance, which explains how the budget is compiled each year, [click here](#).

To view the second presentation titled Bibb County School District Board Budget Work: Session #2, which features a review of budget challenges as well as options to balance the expected budget deficit and offset staffing reductions, [click here](#).

Options proposed in the second presentation include class size reconfigurations, administrative and other staffing reconfigurations, building reconfigurations, a reduction of two contract days for staff working 182 days and a reduction of five contract days for staff working 195 days and above, furloughs of five days for all staff working more than 190 days, reconfigurations of staffing at the Welcome Center, cutting the Mandarin Chinese Program, and an increase in the millage rate.

An additional cost-saving measure under consideration but not yet proposed is the option of one furlough day for employees during this fiscal year, also known as FY 2013.

As noted in the second presentation, a final Reduction in Force (RIF) recommendation will be brought to the Board no later than Thursday, April 25.

The next Board Budget Work Session is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14. Additionally, Board members have scheduled meetings for each Thursday beginning with April 18 and continuing through June 20, with the exception of June 13, to focus on the FY 2014 Budget.

A tentative budget, also known as the Proposed FY 2014 Budget, will be presented to Board members at a Board Meeting on Thursday, May 23. Final adoption of the FY 2014 Budget is scheduled to be voted on at the regular session Board Meeting on Thursday, June 20.