

Bronson, FL
March 13, 2018
5:40 p.m.
EXECUTIVE SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Executive Session this 13th day of March, 2018 at 5:40 p.m. with Board Chairman Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart and Board Attorney David Delaney, present.

Expulsion Hearing (1): The Board heard information regarding recommendation for expulsion. After the School Administrator, Gary Masters had given testimony; the following actions were taken by the Board.

Student 18-12: (student and mother present) After discussion from the Board Members, Chris Cowart moved with second by Paige Brookins to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2017-2018 SY, with the opportunity to attend FOCUS Center at BMHS, a clean baseline drug test, and tests every 30 days, at parents' expense, any positive test will result in student's attendance privileges revoked. With successful completion of educational requirements and good behavior in the FOCUS Center, student may re-appear before the Board at the May 22, 2018 Board Meeting, to request to re-enroll in BMHS and graduate with the 2018 graduating class. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION
6:00 p.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 13th day of March, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

Adoption of Agenda: For Good Cause, Chairman Cameron Asbell asked that the agenda be amended to **Add: "G" Revised 2018-2019 School Calendar A; "H" CKS Gym HVAC Contract Amendment and GMP and re-alphabetize the remainder of the agenda.** Rick Turner moved to amend the agenda, second by Chris Cowart, motion carried. Paige Brookins moved to approve the amended agenda, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

Welcome Visitors: Board Chairman Cameron Asbell welcomed all the visitors and asked if anyone from the audience would like to address the Board. There were none.

School Presentations:

BES: Cheryl Beauchamp, BES Principal introduced Mina Zino and presented her with a certificate for winning the BES and District Spelling Bee for the School Board of Levy County. Mrs. Beauchamp said Mina was also the BES Speech Contest winner, and scored a perfect score on the FSA Exam for grades 3, 4 and 5. The Board congratulated Mina for all her successes.

WMHS: Michaelyn Gamble, the new Art Teacher from WMHS displayed several artistic paintings completed by her students from grades 8-12, from Drawing I and II classes. She talked about projects they do in the classes and said some paintings are painted by one student, while others are painted by multiple students.

End-of-Course Exam Conversion Method: Catrina Sistrunk, a parent from Williston, gave a PowerPoint Presentation demonstrating how EOC Scores are converted throughout other counties in Florida, and how the state average compares with Levy District average. Superintendent Edison explained the specific requirements to be eligible for scholarships through Bright Futures. Mr. Edison shared a "draft" letter he has prepared for DOE

addressing concerns regarding the inconsistencies throughout the Florida districts. He said any changes or actions need to occur in the summer. He said policies are updated annually each summer. After discussion from the Board, they said EOC's are state mandated and changes are controlled through legislation; therefore, they would need to be reviewed during the summer when changes are made.

Revised 2018-2019 School Calendar A: Candy Dean, presented the revised calendar to the Board. She said due to DOE regulations, the first day of school cannot begin before August 10, 2018; therefore, shifting some of the beginning of school meetings. After discussion, Chris Cowart moved to table the revised 2018-2019 School Calendar A to the next Board Meeting, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

CKS Gym HVAC Contract Amendment and GMP: John Lott, Assistant Superintendent and Todd Duffy, Ausley Construction explained justifications for the new amount of the GMP. They said the increase in cost is due to the location of the school (salt water), electrical upgrades, and upgrades to the Fire Alarm System before connecting to the HVAC. They said the Donor donated \$240,000, but we have approximately \$86,000 in required improvements that need to be covered. Mr. Lott and Mrs. Kim Lake informed the Board that DOE approved for SBLC to use PECO Funds to cover the outstanding cost for the CKS HVAC System. After discussion, Rick Turner moved to approve to use the available PECO Funds to cover the additional cost of the CKS HVAC System, second by Chris Cowart, motion carried. Mr. Cowart said CKS also applied and received a grant from LOWE's for the amount of \$24,000 to replace windows.

Approval of Minutes: Paige Brookins moved to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2018 Board meeting, second by Chris Cowart, motion carried.

Consent Agenda: After discussion, Paige Brookins moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Chris Cowart, motion carried.

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Arnett Hall, WMHS Teacher, Math M/J, ***resignation*** from employment to ***participate in DROP***, effective February 1, 2018, and ***ending*** January 31, 2023.
2. Dr. Rosalind A. Hall, Director of ESE / Student Services, ***resignation*** from employment to ***participate in DROP***, effective February 1, 2018, and ***ending*** January 31, 2023.
3. Jiannina C. Hudson, CES Teacher Aide, ESE, ***resignation***, effective March 15, 2018, original hire date March 19, 2015.
4. New hire for vacancy: Karin Steinhart, ***effective*** March 1, 2018, BES Food Service Worker .
5. Anne Phipps, WMHS Guidance Counselor, ***resignation***, effective June 19, 2018, and ***payment*** for any unused leave, original hire date October 18, 2016.
6. Jamie Cook, JBES Teacher, 2nd Grade, ***resignation***, effective June 4, 2018, original hire date August 13, 2012.
7. Lois Gore, CMHS School 10-month Secretary, ***exiting DROP early***, effective June 4, 2018, original hire date September 1, 1983.
8. Valerie Boughanem, District Coordinator of ESOL / Testing, ***resignation*** from employment to ***participate in DROP***, effective April 1, 2018, and ***ending*** March 31, 2023.

9. Daniel M. Wiggins, BMHS Head Custodian, **resignation**, effective March 16, 2018, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date July 23, 2008.
10. Vickie Roberts, BMHS Teacher, Language Arts S/H, **exiting DROP** early for retirement, effective June 4, 2018, original hire date August 26, 1985.
11. Virginia B. Craig, WES Teacher Aide, **resignation for retirement**, effective June 1, 2018, original hire date August 16, 1989.
12. Kathleen Brewington, WES Teacher, Third Grade, **resignation for retirement**, effective June 4, 2018, original hire date August 14, 1989.
13. Richard Harmon Whittington, III, WMHS Teacher, PE M/J, **resignation**, effective March 9, 2018, and **transfer** any remaining leave to Hamilton County, original hire date February 1, 2016.
14. New hire for vacancy: Dorenda Westfall, effective March 19, 2018, WMHS Assistant Principal.
15. New hire for vacancy: Kailey Denise Romine, effective March 5, 2018, BES Teacher, Title I.
16. Vaughn Brewington, Transportation Bus Driver, **exiting DROP early**, effective June 1, 2018, original hire date August 14, 1986.

b) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. Quanda Carnegie, Transportation Bus Driver, **extend leave** to February 2-15, 2018, (originally approved February 13, 2018).
2. Dawn Ford, District SLP, March 6, 2018 through June 4, 2018.

c) Illness-in-Line-of-Duty Requests:

1. Crystal Williams, CES Teacher Aide, ESE, February 21-22, 2018.
2. Shanna Harris, WES Food Service Worker, February 28, 2018, March 1-2, 2018.

d) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Dannielle Rosson, BES Assistant Principal, National Conference on School Discipline, Evidence-Based Approaches and Best Practices to help Schools Achieve Academic Success, March 23-25, 2018, Orlando, hotel only cost to Board paid from Project #40230 F2018.
2. Florida Association of State and Federal Education Program Administrators, (FASFEPA) / Title Grants Spring 2018 Technical Assistance Conference, May 15-17, 2018, Orlando, FL., for the following and paid as listed:
 - Laura Klock, Coordinator Pre-K and Student Services, paid from Project #40298 F2018,
 - Chloe Gabriel, Coordinator of Title Programs, paid from Project #42412 F2018,
 - Valerie Boughanem, Coordinator, ESOL / Testing, paid from Project #40293 F2018,
 - Anna Forde, District Grants Manager, paid from Project #42412 F2018,
 - Amanda Smith, District Secretary, Instructional Services, paid from Project #42412 F2018.
3. Valerie Boughanem, District Coordinator ESOL / Testing, 2018 FDOE Administration Debrief Meeting, June 20-21, 2018, Tallahassee, FL., all travel expenses paid by FLDOE, no cost to Board.

4. Pamela Whitney District Finance Officer, 2017-2018 Florida Association of State and Federal Education Program Administrators (FASFEPA) / East Coast Technical Assistance Center (ECTAC) Spring Forum, May 15-17, 2018, Orlando, FL., registration, mileage, meals paid from Project #17500, hotel paid from Project #42412 F2018.
5. Teresa Pinder, District Local Assistive Technology Specialist (LATS), to attend conferences, meetings, as and paid as follows:

Travel expenses paid from Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS-USF):

- Working with the Experts - OT/PT, April 15-16, 2018, Tampa, FL.

Travel expenses paid from Project #40290 F2018:

- 2018 Accessible Educational Materials Technical Assistance Meeting and Universal Design for Learning / International Research Network Conference, April 24-27, 2018, Orlando, FL.
 - AT Lab Presentation for Jacksonville University, March 20-21, 2018, Jacksonville, FL.
 - R-Lats Duties, Flagler, April 19-20, 2018, Palm Coast and Bunnell, FL.
 - Region 2 MTSS Meeting, April 10-12, 2018, Orange Park, FL.
 - R-Lats Duties, Putnam, April 17-18, 2018, Palatka, FL.
6. Elizabeth Kennelly-Smith, District SEDNET Coordinator, travel expenses paid from Project #40234 F2018, for the following:
 - SEDNET Mental Health and Transition Conference, April 23-25, 2018, Kissimmee, FL.
 - SEDNET State / DOE Work Days, April 11-13, 2018, Orlando, FL.

e) Student Trip Requests:

1. CMHS and WMHS FBLA 2018 State Leadership Conference, March 16-19, 2018, Orlando, Chaperones Christina Smith, (CMHS) Kim Nivala, (WMHS), Joshua Stanley, (WMS volunteer), 37 students, one (1) county bus, paid from Project #15300.
2. BMHS Band End-of-Year incentive trip, May 4-6, 2018, Disney, Chaperones Michelle Barber, Cameron Asbell, Carol Bengé, 20 students, three (3) vans, travel paid from internal accounts, no cost to Board.
3. State Horse Judging, March 20-21, 2018, Okeechobee, travel expenses paid from Project #15300, for the following:

CKS: Chaperone Brooke Smith, five students, county vehicle

WMHS: Natalie Couey, three students, county vehicle

4. CMHS Theater / AP Art History Group, Educational Visit to Museums and Broadway Show, March 23-27, 2018, Manhattan, N.Y., chaperones Andrew Kidd, Roberta Kidd, Kimberly Baker, Lena Weatherford, Christina Story, Jennifer Isenhoward, B.J. Whistler, Angie Acevedo, Albert Acevedo, Beverly Lowe, Dawn Coffey, Nina Hudson, Rollin Hudson, Brandi Coffey, Betty Lou Schultz, Tiffany High Tower, Kyle Schultz, Jennifer Ronchetti, Tristan Phillips, Tammy Boyle, Mrs. Moran, Letha Keene, Kassidy Schultz, Candi Miller, Zackhary Vance, Heather Thompson, Carol Lynne Stockman, 51 students, two (2) buses for travel to airport, commercial airlines, travel expenses paid from Drama Internal Funds, no cost to Board, *amend to delete* county buses and *add* charter buses.

f) Administrative Services:

1. Contracts and / or Agreements:

- i. Agreement between SBLC and UF Dual Enrollment: Distance & Continuing Education for the 2018-2019 SY.
- ii. 2018-2019 Agreement between School Board of Levy County and School Board of Seminole County, for the Electronic Medicaid Administrative Claiming System (EMACS) Agreement.

g) Personal Leave in Excess of Six (6) Days:

1. Migdalia Aguero, CES Teacher, First Grade, February 27, 2018 through March 30, 2018.

2. FINANCE:

1. General Fund Budget Summary Info and Financial Statements for February, 2018.
2. Budget Amendment 15-B #17-00017.

Superintendent's Comments/Recommendations: Superintendent Jeffery Edison shared a list he received from FLDOE listing Levy County Teachers designated as High Impact Communications Teachers; Lauren Adams, Laurie Beauchamp, Kimberly Bishop, Heather Darus, Celeste Green, Sharlecia Langford, Jessica McMichen, Stephanie Parks, April Rogers, Michelle Ruiz, Natalie Sullivan, Carrie Tomlin, Julie Trimm and George Wasson. Mr. Edison said DOE reinstated most of the student findings against WWCS, except for 18 students, which is equivalent to approximately 9 FTE and \$36,000 repayment. The District is waiting on the official repayment amount from DOE.

Board Comments: Chris Cowart said a dear friend was lost this month in 2015 (Mr. Philpot) and asked everyone to keep his family in their prayers. He said he appreciated all the teachers on the High Impact List and thanked them for doing a great job. He gave an update on CKS events and spoke about the animals CKS will be showing in the Fair. Paige Brookins said she was very proud of the HQ teachers and congratulated them. She reminded the Board that they will be purchasing an animal during the Suwannee River Fair. Brad Etheridge said the fair has approximately 1,100 entries this year. Cameron Asbell asked everyone to remember the BMHS student, Lane Clevenger and his family, while he is battling cancer. He said another student, Emily Mundeen plans to sell her animal and donate all the proceeds to Lane's family to assist with medical bills.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jeffery R. Edison, Secretary

Cameron Asbell, Board Chairman