

**Bronson, FL**

**May 8, 2018**

**6:00 p.m.**

## **REGULAR SESSION**

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with Vice Chairman Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart and Board Attorney David Delaney present, Chairman Cameron Asbell was absent.

**Adoption of Agenda:** Rick Turner moved to approve the agenda, second by Chris Cowart, motion carried.

**Welcome Visitors:** Vice Chairman Brad Etheridge welcomed all the visitors and asked if anyone from the audience would like to address the Board. Sue Colson, a Cedar Key resident, addressed the Board and expressed concerns on behalf of herself and other residents regarding possible changes in administration at the Cedar Key School.

**BMHS Student Recognition:** Gary Masters, BMHS Principal, introduced Coach Tim King and Athletic Director Jim Roundtree, coaches of the BMHS weightlifting team. They introduced Austin Collins, the State Weightlifting Champion! Austin competed in class 238 and was able to bench press 385 lbs., and won the 1A and 2A championships in weightlifting. Everyone congratulated Austin for his winnings.

**Science Textbook Adoption:** Barb Rivers gave an update on changes with science textbooks for grades 6-8 for the 2018-2019 SY. She said the teachers chose science textbooks HMH for K-5<sup>th</sup> grades, STEM Scopes for Biology and Chemistry, and HMH for Earth and Space and Marine Science. However, the selection for PEARSON is postponed as the MS teachers compare using Comprehensive Science 1, 2, and 3 verses Earth Space for 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Life Science for 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and Physical Science Sequence for 8<sup>th</sup> grade. After discussion, Chris Cowart moved to approve the HMH and STEM Scopes, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

**STEAM Update (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math):** Barb Rivers gave a PowerPoint presentation explaining STEM and STEAM education. STEAM education is STEM with Arts added, so science and arts can work together to prepare students for the future. She said SBLC has received a STEM/STEAM Grant from the Levy County Schools Foundation to create lessons for the students in the subject areas of science, technology, engineering, arts, and math.

**District Extra-Curricular Committee Update:** John Lott and James Smith gave the Board an overview of the new District Extra-Curricular Committee Policy. Mr. Lott said a committee was formed to work on improving three areas of concern with students participating in extra-curricular activities; attendance, academics and discipline. The committee members include BMHS: Marcia Smith, Sherrie Schuler, YTS: Candy Prescott, CMHS: Valerie Perez, Kyle Parnell, CKS: Josh Slem, Kim Bishop, and WMHS: James (Jim) Smith, Chris Wilder. They discussed suggested areas of concern and the activity fees. Mr. Lott and Mr. Smith said tonight's plan is for discussion only. It will be revised per the Board's suggestions, and re-presented at the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting.

**Approval of Minutes:** Chris Cowart moved to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2018 Board meeting, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:** Board member Paige Brookins requested to abstain from voting on item 2. Finance #3.a. 16-01, Petroleum Products. Mrs. Brookins made a motion to pull the item from the agenda. After pulling item 2. Finance 3.a. 16-01, and discussion of the Agenda CA, Chris Cowart moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Rick Turner, motion carried. After discussion of item 2. Finance #3.a. 16-01, Petroleum Products, Chris Cowart made a motion to approve this item, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

## 1. GENERAL ITEMS:

### a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Annjanette Beckham, CKS Data Entry Clerk, **resignation**, effective April 30, 2018, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date August 31, 1992.
2. Cara Holt, YTS Teacher, Reading Coach, **resignation**, effective June 4, 2018, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date December 14, 2015.
3. Amanda Boynton, BES Teacher, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, **transfer** to JBES, **effective**, for the 2018/2019 SY.
4. Kristina M. Berger, CKS Computer Lab Manager, **resignation**, effective May 18, 2018, original hire date August 15, 2007.
5. Brad L. Penney, CKS Teacher, SS S/H, **exiting DROP early**, effective July 31, 2018, original hire date January 21, 1988.
6. Robert Lowyns, LLA Assistant Principal, **change in funding source**, effective 2018-2019 SY, as follows:  
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**To:** 1000E 7300 0110 0023 11030 100%
7. Request approval of job description and position for Coordinator of School Safety.

### b) Personal Leave Requests:

1. **(Originally Board Approved April 10, 2018)** - Migdalia Aguero, CES Teacher, First Grade, February 27, 2018 through April 30, 2018, **extend through** May 18, 2018.
2. **(Originally Board Approved April 10, 2018)** - Michelle Seckinger, BES Teacher Aide, March 6, 2018 through May 4, 2018, **extend through** June 1, 2018.

### c) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Teresa Pinder Teresa Pinder, District Local Assistive Technology Specialist (LATS), to attend conferences, meetings, paid from Project #40290 F2018:
  - Environmental Communications Training, May 6-7, 2018, St. Augustine, FL.
  - Parent Training – Pre-K, May 15-16, 2018, Palatka, FL.
  - R-Lats Duties, Flagler, May 16-18, 2018, Palm Coast and Bunnell, FL.
2. Sherrie Schuler, BMHS Administrative Assistant, Florida Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (FIAAA) State Conference, May 4-6, 2018, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #14890INTRN.

### d) Student Trip Requests:

1. CMHS FFA, Washington Leadership Conference, June 26 – July 1, 2018, Washington, D.C., Chaperones Emily Locke, Dallas Locke, three (3) students, personal vehicle and commercial airline, all travel expenses paid from Internal Account #14920.
2. BMHS Journalism, 2018 Georgia Yearbook Expo, July 10-13, 2018, Demorest, GA., Chaperone Genny Foshee, six (6) students, county van, travel expenses paid from Internal Journalism Account #14920.

3. CMHS Track Team, Track and Field Meet Regionals, April 24-25, 2018, Wesley Chapel, Tampa, FL., Chaperone Leandry Bell, Jiannina Hudson, 17 students, one county bus, travel expenses from Project #14920, CMHS Track internal account.
4. CMHS and BMHS Track and Field State Finals, May 4-5, 2018, UNF, Jacksonville, FL., chaperones Leandry Bell, Jiannina Hudson, Rodney Thomas, eight (8) students, a private vehicle, a county vehicle, travel expenses paid from Project #14920, CMHS and BMHS Track internal accounts.

**e) Administrative Services:**

1. Contracts and / or Agreements:
  - i. 2018-2019 SY Interlocal Agreements for Crossing Guards with LCSO and Cities of Cedar Key, Chiefland and Williston. (Attachments)
  - ii. 2018-2019 SY Agreements for School Resource Deputies between School Board of Levy County and Levy County Sheriff's Department for deputies within the public schools of Levy County and Levy Learning Academy. (Attachments)

**f) Instructional Services:**

1. Contracts and / or Agreements:
  - i. 2018-2019 SY Mid Florida Career Pathway Consortium Agreement between the School Board of Levy County and College of Central Florida. (Attachment)
  - ii. Agreement between School Board of Levy County and All Florida Safety Institute for summer Drivers' Education Training June 4, 2018 through July 5, 2018.

**g) Family Medical Leave Requests:**

1. **(Originally Board Approved March 13, 2018)** - Dawn Ford, District SLP, March 6, 2018 through June 4, 2018, *amend ending date* to May 21, 2018.

**2. FINANCE:**

1. General Fund Budget Summary Info and Financial Statements for April, 2018.
2. Budget Amendment 24-B #17-00024.
3. Bid Requests:
  - a. Permission to extend the following annual bids through the 2018/2019 fiscal year at the same rates and conditions as originally bid for 2017/2018, for the following:
 

Bid No.: 16 - 01	Petroleum Products
17 - 01	Various Categories of Furniture and Equipment
17 - 02	Liquid Propane
  - b. Permission to call for bids for the following annual items / services for the 2018-2019 school year, with bids being awarded at the June 12, 2018 Board Meeting, for the following:
 

Ceiling Tile and Grid
Floor Tile
Pest Control
Motor Oil
Summer Re-Roofing Projects
4. Budget Amendment 24-A #17-00025.

**Superintendent's Comments/Recommendations:** Superintendent Jeffery Edison said this is Staff Appreciation Week and he appreciates all employees and the jobs they do. He talked about the Digital Classroom Plan and said next year will be the last year to receive the \$500,000 grant for purchasing new chrome books for the students, laptops and software. Mr. Edison said the current chrome books will expire in 2020. Windows 7 software, which needs to be upgraded to Windows 10, will also expire soon. Supt. Edison announced two IMPACT Award recipients. They are Joshua Wasson, Teacher at CMHS and Julia Oberst, District Food Service Coordinator. Mr. Edison said a new district monthly memo will be distributed to all SBLC employees highlighting important updates within the Levy County school system. He said the Levy County Republican Club will be hosting Governor Rick Scott on June 23, 2018, location TBD.

**Board Comments:** Chris Cowart reminded everyone of the Evening of Excellence, Monday, May 14, 2018, WES, 5:30 p.m. He gave an update on the CKS Track Meet, with Wade Gore placing 5<sup>th</sup>, and Sam Parks receiving three medals. He said all the schools have several banquets during this time of the year. Mr. Cowart thanked the Levy County Foundation for sponsoring some of the students' field trips. Paige Brookins thanked all the students, teachers, staff and administration for everything they do, daily. Rick Turner talked about past education programs compared to today's programs. Brad Etheridge said teachers and coaches are very important to enhance students' discipline and education. He said the FFA Banquets are very enjoyable and encouraged everyone to attend.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Jeffery R. Edison, Secretary

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Cameron Asbell, Board Chairman