

January 11, 2022
Agenda
Bronson, Florida
6:00 p.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 9th day of November 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Ashley Clemenzi, Brad Etheridge, Paige Brookins, Tammy Boyle, Cameron Asbell and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

Public comments can be submitted by email to publiccomment@levyk12.org or delivered in writing to the District Office at 480 Marshburn Drive, Bronson, FL., and must be received at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled meeting. Public comments may also be made in person on the day of the meeting.

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Adoption of Agenda: Paige Brookins moved to approve the agenda, second by Tammy Boyle, motion carried.

Welcome Visitors and Public Comments: Board Chairman Ashley Clemenzi welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if anyone would like to address the Board. There were none.

CES School Presentation: “Something Positive”: Deanna Feagin, CES Principal and Lindsay Henry, CES Assistant Principal gave a PowerPoint presentation of the CES students participating in their AVID classes. Mrs. Feagain said AVID at CES supports the benchmark vocabulary across content areas using AVID strategies. Teachers showed how to use vocabulary in each unit so the students can relate to the words and learn how to use them. Students worked together in pairs to share words and learn their definitions. Superintendent Cowart thanked Mrs. Feagin, Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Taylor for using AVID at CES and the presentation tonight.

WMHS FFA: WMHS Teachers Pricilla Fugate and Natalie Couey introduced the WMHS FFA Parliamentary Committee and asked them to give a demonstration of what they do in competition. They will compete in the District Competition on January 25. The committee members are Brooks Yancy, Gage Hiers, Jennifer Cook, Annabelle Whitehurst, Estella Jo Fugate and Angelica Giannis. Avery Lewis gave a demonstration of her competition for Public Speaking. The Board congratulated them for their successful win and thanked them for a doing a great job.

Request Approval to Adopt/Amend School Board Policies: 3.06, Safe and Secure Schools, 5.39+, Notification on Involuntary Examination and 8.061, Safe School Officers. Adam Gore, Coordinator of Safe and Secure Schools, reviewed the policies and asked for approval to advertise to adopt/amend them at the February 8, 2022 Board Meeting. After discussion, Paige Brookins moved to approve to advertise the Board Policies, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

Award of RFPs for BMHS/YTS Gym HVACs: Brandon Eastman reviewed the RFPs for the new HVAC projects at BMHS and YTS with the Board. He said we only received two RFPs; Parrish McCall and LMC Steel. He said the projects will be funded by ESSER II. He said the RFP Committee thoroughly reviewed both packets and recommends Parrish McCall for the projects. Mr. Eastman asked for permission to proceed with negotiations on a contract with Parrish McCall. After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved to approve to proceed with negotiations on a contract the BMHS and YTS HVACs for the gyms, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Paige Brookins moved to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2021 Board meeting, second by Tammy Boyle, motion carried.

Consent Agenda: After discussion of the Agenda, Tammy Boyle moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. **Request** approval of the **revised** job description for the Coordinator, Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS).
2. Lorri Wagoner, WMHS Teacher, ELA, **effective** December 13, 2021, **vacancy**.
3. Otaysha Edwards, WMHS Custodian, **effective** December 17, 2021, **vacancy**.
4. Jody Caldwell, JBES FNS Manager, **entering DROP**, effective January 1, 2022, and **ending** December 31, 2026.
5. Azure Kelly, YTS Teacher, Fourth Grade, **dismissal during probation period**, effective December 17, 2021, original hire date August 4, 2021.
6. Veronica Reddish, YTS Media Clerk, **effective** January 4, 2022, **vacancy**.
7. Marcy Young, Coordinator, ESE/SS 504 **transfer** to Coordinator, MTSS, **effective** January 4, 2022, and **change in funding** source, as follows:

From:	1000E 6300 0110 9001 11030	10%
	4210E 6300 0110 9001 40230 F2022	90%
To:	4450E 6300 0110 9001 40500 F2022	100%
8. Dr. Karen P. Welch, TSA, Coordinator, SEDNET, **resignation** effective December 31, 2021, original hire date January 31, 2018.
9. Jessica Wright, CES Teacher, First Grade, **resignation**, effective December 17, 2021, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date August 15, 2019.
10. Sherri-Lynn Rupe, BES Teacher, First Grade, **resignation**, effective January 14, 2022, original hire date August 2, 2021.
11. Jorge Caraballo Gauvin, CMHS Teacher, Music, S/H, **dismissal during probation period**, effective December 17, 2021, original hire date August 2, 2021.
12. Stephanie Wolfe, WES FNS Worker, **dismissal during probation period**, effective December 17, 2021, original hire date August 4, 2021.
13. Shannon Russ, BMHS Lab Manager, **effective** January 6, 2022, **vacancy**.

b) Personal Leave in Excess of Six (6) Days Leave Requests:

1. **(Board approved July 22, 2021)** Annette Packwood, BMHS Teacher, Math, M/J, November 2, 2021 – January 3, 2022, **amend** ending date through May 31, 2022 for the 2021-2022 school year.

c) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. **(Board approved Nov. 9, 2021)** Teresa Pinder, District Teacher, ESE, November 29, 2021 – January 31, 2022, **amend** ending date to January 7, 2022.

2. Brooke Sanford, WES Teacher, Fourth Grade, January 18 – April 22, 2022.
3. **(Board approved 10.12.21)** Kelly Nutt, BES FNS Assistant Manager, October 4, 2021 – January 3, 2022, *amend ending date* to January 21, 2022.

d) Illness-In-Line-Of-Duty Leave Requests:

1. Karyn Smith, BMHS Teacher Aide, ESE, December 17, 2021 and January 5-6, 2022.

e) Professional Leave Requests:

1. 2022 Cognia Florida Conference, February 1-3, 2022, Palm Springs, FL., travel paid from Project #15220, for the following:
 - Melissa Lewis, Director of Accountability/Assessment/Testing
 - Marla Hiers, Director of Personnel
 - Heather Rawlins, Coordinator of Literacy
 - Michelle Ruiz, District Math and Science Coach
2. Christie McElroy, Coordinator, CTE Career Pathways, Florida Career Pathways Network Symposium (FCPN), January 12-14, 2022, Jensen Beach, FL., travel paid from Project #40201 F2022.
3. Carol Petrone, CMHS Teacher, Vocational Business, Florida Association for Career and Technical Education (FACTE) Board Meeting. January 17-18, 2022, Ponte Vedra, FL., travel paid from Project #15322.
4. Adam Gore, Coordinator, School Safety and Security, Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Training (CSTAG), January 12-14, 2022, Tallahassee, FL., travel paid from Project #13108.
5. Dr. Rosalind Hall, Director, ESE/SS, National Council for Exceptional Children Institute (CFEC), January 18-20, 2022, Orlando, FL., mileage paid from Project #40230 F2022, meals and hotel direct reimbursement to attendee.
6. 2021-2022 FASFEPA and ECTAC Spring Technical Assistance Forum, February 1-3, 2022, Jacksonville, FL., travel paid from Project #42412 F2022, for the following:
 - Anna Forde, Coordinator, Grants and Federal Programs
 - Jaime Handlin, Director, Curriculum Instruction, ESOL
7. Christopher A. Cowart, Superintendent, BODLDP Mid-Year Retreat, January 19-21, 2022, Fernandina Beach, FL., travel paid from Project #10071.
8. FADSS/FSBA 76th Annual Joint Conference, Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay, FL., November 20 - December 3, 2021, travel paid from Project #10071 and #10074 for the following:
 - Christopher Cowart, Superintendent
 - Ashley Clemenzi, Brad Etheridge, Paige Brookins and Tammy Boyle, School Board Members
9. Christopher A. Cowart, Superintendent, 2022 Rural Counties Day, January 26-27, 2022, Tallahassee, travel paid from Project #10071.
10. 35th Annual Day in the Legislature, February 2-4, 2022, Tallahassee, FL., travel paid from Project #10074, for the following:

- Ashley Clemenzi, Paige Brookins, Tammy Boyle, and Brad Etheridge, School Board Members

11. Jan Flemming, CMHS Teacher, Language Arts, S/H, AP Symposium, January 13-14, 2022, Orlando, FL., sub paid from Project #40220 F2022 and travel paid from Project #14897.

f) Student Trip Requests:

1. CKS Fourth and Fifth Grade Classes to St. Augustine, January 19, 2022, chaperones Kearston Andrews, Marie Terrell, Brenda Everidge, Jenny McCain, Freddy Kaim, Jonya Collins, 28 students and charter bus, travel paid from Project #14890INTRN.

g) Administrative Services:

1. Contracts and/or Agreements:

- i. 2021-2022 Agreement between the School Board of Levy County and the Levy County Prevention Coalition, Inc., for the Achieve Afterschool and Summer Camp Agreement, paid from Project #40310 F2022, ESSER II and #40500 F2022, ESSER III.

2. FINANCE:

Superintendent's Comments/Recommendations: Superintendent Christopher Cowart said Wednesday, January 19, will be an all-day Data Reporting from the school administrators. He invited the Board members to attend. He said the reporting is very informative about what is happening at the schools and each school has 45 minutes to update. The reporting begins at 7:00 a.m. Mr. Cowart said he loves living in Levy County. He said the Board has always been a sponsor for the FFA and asked if they want to be a sponsor for the first annual fishing tournament for \$600 and they replied "yes". He said the graduation rates have been released and gave an update on the report. He said Levy County graduation rates increased by 4% during the pandemic year to 93.8% graduation rate. Mr. Cowart said this ranks Levy County as #11 in the state of Florida out of 67 counties. He said the Foundation hosted Gerry Brooks as a guest speaker last Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Williston. Mr. Cowart said Mr. Brooks is a great speaker and thanked the Foundation for hosting the event for the Levy County teachers and staff. Mr. Cowart said he will miss the 35th day in the Legislature in Tallahassee due to a FADSS training in St. Pete at the same date and time, but will be in Tallahassee on January 26-27 for the Rural Day Event.

Board Comments: Cameron Asbell said it is good to be back to school after a wonderful two-week break. He said he will not be able to attend the 35th Day in the Legislature due to family issues. He gave an update of his son's health condition. He said due to several doctor appointments and procedures coming up with his son, he will be missing several events and Board meetings this year. He asked for everyone to keep his son and his family in their prayers.

Tammy Boyle said Cedar Key School is getting back in routine after the holidays. She said next week is Literacy Week and Homecoming is on January 28. She said they will be having a ribbon cutting for the new gym floor during the homecoming. She said the students will plant trees on January 22. She said the Hospitality Group will have BBQ dinners for sale on February 24. Mrs. Boyle thanked Melissa Lewis for taking time to review the data with her.

Paige Brookins said she thoroughly enjoyed the presentations from CES AVID and WMHS FFA. She said she is excited about the progress of the new CMHS.

Brad Etheridge told Cameron his thoughts and prayers are with him and his family during this difficult time. He said the Board does the best they can in Tallahassee, but being a father is most important. He said the Beast Feast will be on February 12 and it is great to have a good fresh start with 2022. Mr. Etheridge thanked CES and WMHS for the great presentations and competition.

Ashley Clemenzi said we all had a nice long break and she was looking forward to the Board meeting tonight. She said YTS has a new Media Specialist. She said YTS and CKS has a basketball game tonight and YTS is beginning flag football.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned for the Board to go into Executive Session.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Christopher A. Cowart, Secretary

Ashley Clemenzi, Board Chairman