

**Bronson, Florida**  
**July 19, 2011**  
**8:30 A.M.**

The School Board of Levy County met in regular session this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, Beth Davis, Cameron Asbell, Robert Philpot and Board Attorney Sheree Lancaster present.

**Expulsion Hearings:** The Board heard information regarding recommendations for expulsion. After Jeff Edison for the District Office as well as the parent(s) and student(s) identified themselves, were sworn in by the court reporter and had each given testimony, the following action was taken by the Board.

- 1) **Student 11-34** (student and parent present): Cameron Asbell moved with second by Robert Philpot to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent that the student be expelled for the 2011-2012 school year, with the opportunity to enroll at Hilltop Alternative School. Motion carried.
- 2) **Student 11-35** (student and parent absent): Paige Brookins moved with second by Beth Davis to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent that the student be expelled for the 2011-2012 school year, with the opportunity to enroll at Hilltop Alternative School. Motion carried.

At 9:00 a.m., the Board then returned to regular session to continue with the remaining business of the Board.

**Levy County Schools Foundation Report with presentation by Progress Energy:** Mr. Hastings introduced Angela Johnson, Director of the Levy County Schools Foundation, to update the Board on the Foundation's activities throughout the school year. Mrs. Johnson reminded the Board that the Foundation was established in 1989 by founders H.C. Henderson and Bobbie Smith, then later incorporated in 1994. She said the largest contributors to date are Progress Energy and V.E. Whitehurst. She gave information regarding the Foundation's income through the STARS Gala, the Bike For Education event, and the Beast Feast. She informed the Board of activities sponsored during the year by the Foundation, including the Evening of Excellence for Teachers, Educational Staff Professionals and Volunteers of the Year, STUFF the BUS. She then introduced Amy Mangan and Denny George from Progress Energy who presented the Foundation with a check in the amount of \$20,000.00. Mr. Hastings thanked Ms. Mangan and Mr. George for Progress Energy's continuing support of education in Levy County. Mrs. Johnson also reminded everyone that Levy County Schools Foundation is a not-for-profit organization and contributions made to the Foundation are tax deductible and can be payroll deducted by employees of School Board of Levy County.

**Request to Advertise for Public Hearing 2011-2012 Millage and Budget:** Bob Clemons presented the advertisements to be published in local newspapers July 28, 2011, regarding the 2011-2012 Millage and Budget adoption. After review Paige Brookins moved with second by Cameron Asbell, to approve the advertisement as presented, motion carried. (see supplemental minutes)

**Minutes:** Cameron Asbell moved with second by Robert Philpot, to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2011, Board Meeting, including additions/corrections as submitted with the Board Agenda. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:** After discussion, Paige Brookins moved with second by Cameron Asbell, to approve the following items on the consent agenda, including additions/corrections as recommended by the Superintendent, motion carried.

**1. GENERAL ITEMS:**

**a) Employee Status Changes:**

1. The following status funding change effective July 1, 2011:

District ESE Coordinator - Marcy D. Young

<b>From:</b>	4320E 5100 0120 0101 43241 0000	100%
<b>To:</b>	1000E 6300 0110 9001 11030 0000	10%
	4210E 6300 0110 9001 40230F2012	90%

2. Christopher Dunn, WHS Band Director, *resignation* effective July 11, 2011.

**b) Illness-In-Line-Of-Duty Leave Request:**

1. Matthew McLelland, CHS Assistant Principal, June 27 (9.5) and 28 (9.5), 2011.

**c) Professional Leave Requests:**

1. Nathaniel Davis, District MIS Coordinator, August 1 and 2, 2011, Value Added Technical Assistance Meeting, Orlando, paid from project #10140.
2. Suzette Pelton, District STEM Coordinator, July 24-27, 2011, NEFEC STEM Academy, St. Augustine, paid from RTTT Grant project #43240101012.
3. Dr. Gina Tovine, Assistant Superintendent, and Barbara Rivers, District RtI Coordinator, July 31 and August 1, 2011, Race to the Top Value-Added Technical Assistance Meeting, Orlando, paid from project #10073.
4. NEFEC STEM Academy, July 26 and 27, 2011, St. Augustine, paid from Race to the Top Grant project #4340101012: Raymond Powers CKS and Stacy Drummond BHS.

**d) Student Trip Requests:**

1. John C. Wilder, WHS FFA Advisor, August 7 – 10, 2011, FFA Florida Leadership Adventures, Haines City, 5 students, county van, advisor expenses paid from project #15300, all other expenses paid internal account.
2. Greg Hamilton, BMHS Girls Basketball Coach, July 17 – 21, 2011, Basketball Camp – Lakeland, chaperone Mary Alice Heath, 12 students, 2 county vans, all expenses paid internal account.
3. Dallas Locke, CHS FFA Advisor, August 7 – 10, 2011, FFA Florida Leadership Adventures, Haines City, 6 students, county van, advisor expenses paid from project #15300, all other expenses paid internal account.
4. James O’Neal, CHS Varsity Football Coach, July 22 – 24, 2011, 7 on 7 Tournament and “Big Man” Competition, USF-Tampa, chaperones Cody Montgomery and Randy Fuller, 15 students, 2 county vans, all expenses paid internal account.

**e) Instructional Services:**

1. Contracts and/or Agreements:
  - a. Agreements with the following organizations to provide Supplemental Education Services for 2011-2012 SY (contracts vary according to

dates/times of service only and will be available at meeting for review):

- aa. 1:1 Online Tutoring Services, LLC
- bb. !A+Tutor U
- cc. #1 In Learning
- dd. ABC Appletree, Inc
- ee. ACES Tutoring
- ff. A Quantum Leap Educational Services
- gg. A Stepping Stone to Excellence
- hh. ATS Project Success
- ii. Carter, Reddy & Associates
- jj. Club Z! In-Home Tutoring Services, Inc.
- kk. Sylvan Learning Center of Ocala & Gainesville
- ll. The Tutoring Edge
- mm. Twister Tutors, Inc.
- nn. 1 To 1 Tutor, LLC
- oo. Alpha Academic Services
- pp. A Smart Place To Be
- qq. Group Excellence

- b. Purchase of day care services with the following providers for 2011-2012 school year, paid from project #13762:

- aa. Chiefland Daycare and Learning Center

**f) Administrative Services:**

1. Contracts and/or Agreements:

- a Approval of 401K Adoption Agreement and Amendments for Final 415 Regulations, Heart / WRERA and Pension Protection Act / Heart Act
- b. Agreement with The Florida Learning Alliance (FLA, Inc.) to provide the staff development management system **Navigator Plus – Track Module** and related support services for 2011-2012 school year.
- c. Continued participation in the Small School District Council Consortium for 2011-2012.

**g) Recommendations:**

1. Appointments -

- a. Emma L. Powers, BMHS Science Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Raymond Powers.
- b. Kathryn H. West, WMS Science Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Sarah Watson.
- c. Robert M. Ebert, WHS Social Studies Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Steve Masyada.

- d. John A. Stone, Jr., WHS RtI Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Howard Johnson.
- e. Allen J. Strickland, BHS Math Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Danielle Ernst.
- f. Michael “Kevin” Hodgkins, CKS Math Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Alice Kelsey.
- g. Whitney L. Drew, WMS Math/LA Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Marianne Rutherford.
- h. Rebecca Charles, JBES First Grade Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Amy Langworthy.
- i. Nancy Telgen, District Speech / Language Therapist, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Linda Yon.
- j. Daniel Evans, WHS Music Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Christopher Dunn.
- k. William Rankin, CHS Music Teacher, effective August 15, 2011, replacing Anastacio Loanzon.
- l. Lu Ann Stipp, WHS Science Coach, effective August 15, 2011, new position board approved June 1, 2010.
- m. Jannie Carnegie, WES Food Service Worker, August 18, 2011, replacing Lisa McVey.
- n. Julia Oberst, WES Food Service Worker, August 18, 2011, replacing Marjorie Mayton.
- o. Henrietta Robinson, WES Food Service Worker, August 18, 2011, replacing Polly L. Clary.

2. **Extended School Year 2011:**

<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Employee Recommendation</u>
Bus <b>Aide</b> for ESE Summer Program	BHS	Jennifer Yount, <i><b>amend to</b></i> Windy Moore
Bus <b>Drivers</b> for Credit Retrieval Program – Hilltop	CHS Driver WHS Driver	Sandra Colson, <i><b>amend to</b></i> Debra Matthews Nanette Alfonso, <i><b>amend to</b></i> Zena Baker

3. Approval to change Hilltop Alternative School 8.0 hour Custodian position to *Head Custodian* Position, effective July 20, 2011.

## 2. FINANCE:

- a) General Fund Budget Summary Info for June 2011
- b) Budget Amendments #13A and #13B as of June 30, 2011
- c) Amendment of Instructional and ESP Salary Schedules to allow payment to the following personnel for:

- **CHS Differentiated Accountability Days – Professional Development Training, Preparation and Planning, July 11 and 12, 2011**, paid in-county consultant stipend from project #4340100812 *amend to add*: Lita Weingart, Jan Flemming, Jennifer Isenhoward, Valerie Smith, Suann Dupont, Rebecca Mack
- **Differentiated Accountability Workshop – FULL FACULTY**, June 29 and 30, 2011, paid stipend rate of pay as indicated by training roster :  
WHS – *amend to pay from* SIG G project #43247F2011  
*amend to add* Catherine Mueller and Kelly Watkins
- **JBES School-Wide Data Day Workshop**, August 9 and 10, 2011, paid stipend rate of pay as indicated on sign-in roster from Title I funds  
project #40241F2012:

Jacqueline Appling	Brandi Geiger	
Rebecca Charles	Kim Milton	Eva Austin
Patricia Griffith	Jammie Nobles	Susan Bastak
Alexis Gordon	Olivia Odom	Gig Beckham
Stephanie Hogle	Debra Osteen	Rebecca Childs
Laura Hunt	Lillian Prado	Devyn Chorvat
Danielle Jeannite	Myrtle Roberts	Kristina Keene
Leslie Schreier	Patricia Coleman	Monica Cooper
Anna D. Knapp	Kelly Shirley	Dian Dudeck
Lindsay Legler	Heather Sims	Susan Liles
Jennifer Spence	Cecillia Edwards	Lisa Gant
Jennifer Martin	Lauren Whitehurst	Maria Thomas
- **Kg Report Card and Mapping Team Training** at JBES, August 4, 2011 from 8:00 -3:30 a.m., paid stipend rate of pay from project #40220F2012:

<b><u>BES</u></b>	<b><u>JBES</u></b>	<b><u>CES</u></b>
Caryl Carlisle	Rebecca Child	Cheri Hazzard
Dianne Priddy	Dian Dudeck	Aimee Mitchell
Patty Shewey	Cecillia Edwards	
<b><u>CKS</u></b>	Heather Sims	<b><u>YTS</u></b>
Kathy McCain		Sandy Watson
Cindy Roach		Paula Yaws
- **BHS DATA DAYS** as follows:  
August 11 and 12, 2011, at the County Office  
paid stipend rate from RTTT Grant project #4340100812  
Carol Benge, Stan Giza, Andrew Moon  
  
August 13 and 14, 2011, at BHS, paid from project #42412F2012:

***In-County Consultant Stipend*** - Carol Benge, Stan Giza, Andrew Moon

<b><i>Stipend Rate -</i></b>		
Emma Powers	Michelle Barber	Judy Beauchamp
Greg Brochetti	Adam Booth	Jennifer Bray
Teresa Collins	Pauline Brown	Sue Butler
Stacy Drummond	Al Cooksey	Jennifer Cox
Brenda Fulmer	April Fleetwood	Genny Foshee
Greg Hamilton	Paul Grune	Aaron Haldeman
Donnie Lane	Nancy Kline	William Knox
Gloria Petty	Frankie Lee	Jan Noble
Vickie Roberts	Pam Quincey	Allen Strickland
Marcia Smith	Ronald Russ	Travis Seay
Kevin Williams	Dara Strickland	Linda Weiner
	Sherrie Schuler	

- **School Technicians** to assist MIS in setting up new computers during the summer for the 2011-2012 SY, paid regular rate of pay as indicated on time cards up to 75 hours total each from project #11374: Robert Perez and Carolyn Hart
- **Differentiated Accountability Workshop – FULL FACULTY**, June 29 and 30, 2011, paid stipend rate of pay as indicated by training roster from District Title I funds – project #42412F2011 ***amend to add:*** WMS - Whitney Drew
- **WES Data Chats Workshop**, August 9, 10 and 11, 2011, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm, paid stipend rate of pay as indicated by sign-in roster, from Title I project #40241F2012:

Corrie Houghtaling	Hillary Cribbs	Donna Lovvorn
Cindy Hiter	Tracy Kirby	Lindsey Parent
Tonya Townsend	Kathy Clemons	Teresa Dixon
Courtney Edwards	Erin Owens	Rebekah Burcham
Lita Halchak	Tina Roberts	Neige Snider
Nancy Bowman	Kathy Brewington	Jeanne Dubois
DeBorah Lamb	Serena Thiessen	Celeste Greenlee
Steven VanZwienan	Barbara Hoyt	Chloe Gabriel
Dana Farleo	Paige Halberstadt	Lisa Posteraro
Rowena Vincenty	Nancy Priest	Laura Helgerud
Helen Darling	Joelene Vining	Ryan Sullivan
Beth McLean	Mary Guinsler	

- **WHS Deep FRI/Next Generation CARPD Training**, August 8-11, 2011, paid stipend rate of pay as indicated by sign-in roster, from SIG Grant project #40248F2012:

Erin Baird, Rebecca Hilty, Lisa Hamilton, Nellie Gladwell,, Robert Ebert, Jeffery Jaso, Cliff Harrell, Bobbie Jo Gowland, Julie Thomas, Renee Howard-Condon, John Stone, Kelly Watkins, Wes Lackey, Denise Lahusky, Catherine Mueller, Cindy Penney, Ben Randolph, Marie Wilbur, John C. Wilder, Paula Willis, Earl Wyckoff, James Baker, Jennifer Deluca, Steve Faulkner, Sally Holton, Emily Lovely, Amy Lowyns, Keith Machtinger, Teya Miller, Kim Nivala, Teresa Ozment, April Palmer, Awilda Perez, Mary Russ, Lucille Skipper, James Smith, Frank Velez, Karen Warren, Jennifer Dola, LuAnn Stipp, Daniel Evans

**Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations:** Mr. Hastings thanked Franklin Lentz of Lentz/Dodd for a smooth transition in the change of 401K Administrators for the School Board. Mr. Lentz gave a brief synopsis of the Plan and answered questions. Mr. Hastings then informed the Board it was time to select a new Value Adjustment Board Member and Alternate. After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved to elect Paige Brookins as Member and Robert Philpot as Alternate, second by Beth Davis, motion carried. Mr. Hastings discussing the Community Business Person to be selected, the Board decided to wait until the next Board Meeting, August 2, 2011 to elect that person, giving the Board time to contact people who might be interested in serving on the Committee.

**Board Comments:** Cameron Asbell asked if there was a plan in place to inform parents about the cancellation of Universal Free Breakfast at BES for the new school year. Mr. Hastings said he would get with Candy Barber to make sure it was published in newspapers to inform parents prior to school opening. Beth Davis reminded the board that Cedar Key School receives additional funding from the State per student FTE because the time students would spend on the bus if bussed out was deemed excessive by the State. Robert Philpot inquired about the pile of trash at WHS Cafeteria. Ted Alexander replied that the City of Williston is responsible for collection. Mr. Philpot also asked if a principal had 2 equally qualified teachers to choose from for a position they were offering, one being a Levy County native and the other not from Levy County, was there a rule in place that the Levy County person would be hired? Mr. Hastings responded that his philosophy is to value the hiring of our local people, but nothing can be written into a rule or policy concerning the practice. Mr. Philpot then discussed the delivery of textbooks to the schools. He said he has checked into renting a 26' Uhaul Truck that could hold 7400 lbs. and could get it for 39.95 per day and .69 cent per mile. Jeff Edison said the truck has to have a lift gate in order to work, but the real problem is having the personnel to do it. Rick Turner suggested that for next school year the District could begin in January to get the numbers of textbooks needed by the schools and start calculating the most cost-effective way to have them delivered. Mr. Turner asked that school visits for the new school year be scheduled as soon as possible and the dates shared with the Board so they can plan accordingly. He thanked Paige Brookins for her work on the Bike for Education event and getting the Board in the various community parades throughout the year. He then stated there was a noticeable lack of attendance by the Union Leadership during summertime Board Meetings. He said it seems they can attend during the school year but cannot attend when they are not being paid to do so, missing a lot of good information at these meetings, especially regarding the Budget. He reiterated that community schools are great, but need to be funded by the communities. He said the Board would have to take responsibility for not informing the public of the importance of the .25 MIL tax in the last election and how not having those funds has adversely affected local schools. Sheree Lancaster informed the Board that the citizen appointed by the School Board as a member of the Value Adjustment Board must own a business occupying commercial space within the School District to be eligible to serve on the Value Adjustment Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned with the Board cancelling executive session.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Robert O. Hastings, Secretary

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Rick Turner, Chairman