

**Bronson, FL
December 12, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

REGULAR SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 12th day of December, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Chris Cowart and Board Attorney David Delaney, present. Mrs. Paige Brookins was absent.

Adoption of Agenda: For Good Cause, Chairman Cameron Asbell said Ms. Pinkoson was not able to attend tonight's meeting and asked that the **Master Board Update** be postponed until another Board Meeting. Chris Cowart moved to delete the Master Board Update from the agenda and approve the 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 Presentation – CMHS Cross-Country: Aaron Haldeman, CMHS Assistant Principal introduced Lauren Jones, an 8th grade student who runs and competes in Cross Country. He talked about her placements while competing in 6th, 7th and 8th grades. This year, she placed 14th in the state out of 176 runners, while maintaining a 3.381 GPA. He congratulated Lauren on her success and said she is a tremendous runner. Ms. Jones thanked the Board for honoring her and said she enjoys running and competing. Superintendent Edison and the Board congratulated her and presented her with flowers.

Approval of the November 14 and 28, 2017 Board Minutes: After discussion, Rick Turner moved to approve the minutes of the November 14 and 28, 2017 Board meetings, second by Chris Cowart, motion carried.

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

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Kerry M. Blood, YTS Teacher, ***resignation***, effective December 1, 2017, and ***payment*** for any unused leave, original hire date September 18, 2017.
2. Rose M. Fant, WMHS Health Assistant, ***resignation***, effective November 30, 2017, and ***payment*** for any unused leave, original hire date April 7, 2014.
3. Adrian J. Alford, BES Food Service Worker, ***resignation for retirement***, effective December 31, 2017.
4. Stephanie Anderson, BES Teacher, First Grade, ***release from employment***, during probationary period, effective November 17, 2017, original hire date September 8, 2017.
5. George Bogner, CES Teacher, ***effective*** November 7, 2017, ***replacing*** Rowena Vincenty, ***out-of-field*** in ESE and Elementary Ed.
6. Establish an ESE Paraprofessional position at BMHS for the 2017-2018 SY to support students with disabilities, position will be 7.0 hours daily, paid from Project #40230 F2018.
7. Shanno Dukes, BMHS Teacher, Math S/H, ***resignation***, effective December 15, 2017, and ***payment*** for any unused leave, original hire date August 31, 2016.

8. Julia Scarlett McGowan, WMHS Secretary / Bookkeeper, *internal transfer* to Confidential Secretary, effective January 2, 2018.

b) Professional Leave Requests:

1. American Football Coaches Association Annual Convention (AFCA), January 6-9, 2018, Charlotte, NC, only cost to Board is subs from Project #11038, for the following:

WMHS Teachers: Justin Wentworth, PE – SH and Christopher J. Crooms, Focus Center

2. Jeff Gillespie, BMHS Teacher, PE – SH, Florida Athletic Coaches Association Baseball Clinic, November 30 – December 2, 2017, Daytona Beach, FL., no cost to Board.
3. Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities Meeting, January 23-26, 2018, Kissimmee, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40230 F2018, for the following:
 - Dr. Rosalind Hall, Director of ESE / SS
 - Kimberley Beth McLean, District Teacher, Visually Impaired
4. Teresa Pinder, District Local Assistive Technology Specialist (LATS), R-LATS Consult in Suwannee County, December 6-7, 2017, Lake City, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40290 F2018.
5. Matthew Dettloff, CMHS Teacher, CTE, National Convention for Agriculture Teachers/National Convention for the Association of Career and Technical Education Teachers Association, (NAEE/ACTE), December 4-9, 2017, registration and hotel paid directly by FAAE, mileage and meals paid by attendee, substitute paid from Project #15322.
6. Adam Boatright, District IT Associate, Future of Education Technology Conference, January 23-26, 2018, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #13911.
7. 2017 Educational Strategies and Student Engagement Institute (ESSEI) Conference, December 6-8, 2017, Orlando, FL., registration paid from Project #40230 F201, all other travel expenses paid from Project #40241 F2018, for the following:

CMHS: Christy McElroy, Assistant Principal
Katie Corbin, Teacher, Graduation Coach

8. Henry Cobb, WMHS, Teacher, Music, S/H, Florida Music Education Association (FMEA) Professional Development Conference, January 10-13, 2018, Tampa, FL., registration and hotel paid from Booster Funding, sub paid from Project #11038, only cost to Board.
9. Robert Lowyns, LLA Assistant Principal, LEA Training for ESE Staff, November 12-13, 2017, Crawfordville, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #14939.
10. Florida Athletic Coaches Association (FACA) Track and Field Clinic, January 4-6, 2018, Daytona Beach, FL., all travel expenses paid by participants, only cost to Board are subs paid from Project #11038, for the following:

CKS: Kimberly Bishop, Teacher, Math M/J and Brad Penney, Teacher, Social Studies, S/H

c) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. **(Originally Board Approved Nov. 28, 2017)** Meredee Plunkett, District Occupational Therapist (OT), November 10, 2017 through December 15, 2017 *amend* return date to November 17, 2017.
2. Kimberly Hudson, JBES Teacher, First Grade, December 6-15, 2017.
3. **(Originally approved Nov. 14, 2017)** – Amy Boyd, District Transportation, Bus Driver, November 7-17, 2017, *amend* ending date to December 15, 2017.

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

1. **(Originally Board Approved Nov. 28, 2017)** - George Douglas, District Maintenance, November 17-20, 2017, *amend date* to November 17, 2017 *only*.
2. **(Originally Board Approved Nov. 28, 2017)** - Carlton Wilcox, JBES Custodian, November 17, 2017, *amend* to add November 20-22, 24, 27-30 and December 1, 2017.
3. Christy Jones, CES Teacher, ESE, December 1, 2017, (4 hours).
4. Frances Michelle Walker-Crawford, CMHS Teacher/Reading Coach, December 6, 2017, 4.5 hours.
5. Alesia Hathcox, BMHS Food Service / CMHS Custodian, December 6-8, 2017.

e) Military Leave Requests:

1. Lamar D. Asbell, Jr., December 8, 2017 (8 hours).

f) Student Trip Requests:

1. BMHS SGA to the Florida Association of Student Council (FASC) District 2 Conference, December 10-11, 2017, Camp Kulaqua, High Springs, FL., Chaperones Carlotta Neil, Male Chaperone with St. Francis Academy, 16 students, one county bus, travel expenses paid from SGA account.
2. CMHS FFA, FFA Middle School Conference, December 1-2, 2017, Haines City, FL., Chaperones Matthew Dettloff, Katie Quincey, Suwannee Middle FFA Advisor, 7 students, county van.
3. CMHS BETA Convention and Contest, January 12-13, 2018, Orlando, FL., Chaperones Stacy Drummond, Jan Flemming, 12 students and two (2) county vans, travel expenses paid from Project #15300.
4. WMHS Girls Basketball to a Basketball Tournament, December 21-23, 2017, Daytona Beach, FL., Chaperones Shereka Jackson, Margaret Brown, Calvin Edwards, Cecillia Edwards, Darias Williams, 15 students, one county bus, all travel expenses paid from Booster Club.

2. FINANCE:

1. General Fund Budget Summary Info and Financial Statements for November, 2017.
2. Budget Amendment 10-B #17-00012

Superintendent's Comments/Recommendations: Superintendent Jeff Edison informed the Board that on Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., the District will have a conference call with DOE regarding the WWCS Audit. WWCS Directors will be in attendance for the call, along with Attorney Mr. Daniel Woodring, representing SBLC. He said he will keep the Board updated and hopefully we will be closer to a resolution. Mr. Edison said the District TOY is Rebecca Childs, from WMHS and the SREY is Al Herndon, from YTS. He said FFA held sub-district competitions today and they were very good. The students did a great job speaking. Mr. Edison informed the Board that he will be speaking at the County Commission Meeting on December 19, 2017 and he plans to cover issues that are relative to education in Levy County. Mr. Edison gave an update on District Personnel Bruce Greenlee, Tami Wain, Dwayne Williams, and said they are all recovering from their surgeries; however, Bruce is still in the hospital. He said recovery will be a slow process and asked everyone to keep them in their prayers. Mr. Edison said Mr. Lott and the RFP team reviewed the RFPs for the Design / Build for the new CMHS. He said the short list consists of Ausley Construction and Parrish McCall; therefore, discussions with these companies regarding the new CMHS are not permitted.

Board Comments: Brad Etheridge said we need to hold a public workshop to discuss issues regarding education in Levy County and Tallahassee. He said the group should include the SBLC, Board Members, Parents, Teachers, and the Public who will work together to develop questions about important concerns that need to be addressed and heard by our Legislatures in Tallahassee. He congratulated the District TOY, Becky Childs and SREY, Al Herndon. Mr. Etheridge wished everyone a Merry Christmas and said to celebrate the reason for the season.

Rick Turner agreed with Mr. Etheridge and said we need to utilize staff to create a list of items that are crucial in education that need to be addressed. Mr. Turner thanked everyone for their support given to the YTS FFA.

Chris Cowart said the FFA sub-district competition is a unique event. He said CKS had a student receive 1st Place and is preparing for the next level. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Chairman Cameron Asbell said he appreciates the SBLC Board Members and enjoys working with them. He said the 1st Annual Induction for the Bronson Alumni was held Friday night, December 8, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., and it was a wonderful event.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned with the Board going into Executive Session.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jeffery R. Edison, Secretary

Cameron Asbell, Board Chairman