

**November 24, 2015 Minutes  
Bronson, Florida  
Location - WES Media Center  
November 24, 2015  
9:00 a.m.  
REGULAR SESSION**

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Rick Turner, Cameron Asbell, Chris Cowart, Brad Etheridge, Paige Brookins, and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

**Board Reorganization:** Superintendent Hastings presided during the reorganization of the Board.

**Appointment of Chairman:** Superintendent Hastings called for nominations for Board Chairman. Cameron Asbell nominated Paige Brookins. Chris Cowart moved for nominations to cease. The Superintendent called for the vote with the Board unanimously voting for Paige Brookins as Board Chairman. Paige Brookins thanked Mr. Turner for doing a great job as the previous Board Chairman with all Board Members agreeing.

**Appointment of Vice-Chairman:** Superintendent Hastings called for nominations for Board Vice-Chairman. Paige Brookins nominated Chris Cowart. Cameron Asbell moved for nominations to cease. The Superintendent called for the vote with the Board unanimously voting for Chris Cowart as Vice-Chair.

**Regular Meeting Dates:** Motion by Rick Turner, to set the regular meeting dates of the School Board of Levy County for the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) and fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Tuesdays of the month, with the times remaining the same – the first Board Meeting of the month at 6:00 p.m., and the second Board Meeting at 9:00 a.m., to be held in the Administrative Offices, Bronson, Florida, second by Chris Cowart. The Superintendent called for the vote, motion carried.

Paige Brookins then assumed the Chair and presided during the remainder of the meeting.

**Adoption of Agenda:** After Board re-organization, Chris Cowart moved with second by Cameron Asbell to adopt the agenda, motion carried.

**Yellow Folder Presentation:** Josh Ferrell and Rick Jackson, from YellowFolder, LLC, gave a PowerPoint presentation and talked about electronic methods and means of storing data and records compared to the paper method. Josh informed the Board of the benefits the electronic storage has on the environment, security, time, space and money. He said the data stored on discs compared to the hard paper copies would require much less storage space and reduce the amount of file cabinets needed. He said the YellowFolder system integrates with the Skyward program and the programs work well together. He said the cost for the service is an annual fee that is renewed each year. Josh explained that training and assistance will be available anytime needed. Bob Clemons informed the Board that the annual cost is based on FTE and would need to be phased in gradually. Mr. Clemons said we can apply for grants to offset the cost. Josh presented the cost breakdown to the Board. After discussion, Chairman Paige Brookins thanked Josh for his detailed presentation.

**2015-2016 Digital Classroom Plan:** Ron Perez gave a PowerPoint presentation on the 2015-2016 Digital Classroom Plan. He discussed the SBLC needs for Digital Learning and Technology Infrastructure in the classrooms, for example, Chrome Books for all 9<sup>th</sup> graders, additional CISCO equipment, Ruckus Wireless License and Support, and establish a reliable Virtual Machine (VM) and SAN infrastructure. He informed the Board they decided to go with Ruckus because it was recommended by NEFEC. He explained the life span, durability, and importance of the Chrome Books for students to be able to work at home and upload the documents when internet is available again. David Delaney asked Ron about an insurance policy for the electronic equipment that students take home. Ron said SBLC has an A La Cart policy so students only pay for the part(s) broken, i.e., broken screen. After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved with seconded by Chris Cowart, to approve the 2015-2016 Digital Classroom Plan. Motion Carried.

**Minutes:** Chris Cowart moved with second by Brad Etheridge to approve the Minutes of the November 10, 2015 Board meeting as submitted with the Board Agenda. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:** After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved with second by Brad Etheridge, to approve the following items on the consent agenda with changes as recommended by the Superintendent. Motion carried.

**1. GENERAL ITEMS:**

**a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:**

1. Candy Prescott, YTS, School-Wide Positive Behavior Specialist (SWPBS) Coach, effective November 24, 2015, replacing Mika Vuto, paid her hourly rate of pay, up to 11 hours, as submitted by time cards, paid from Project #40233F2016 SEDNET.
2. Kenneth Wade Harris, District Electrician, *internal transfer* to Maintenance Foreman, effective November 24, 2015.
3. Marcia Bend, BES Teacher Aide, PK, effective November 16, 2015, replacing Robin Romagnolo.
4. Rhonda Garner, BES ESE Aide, effective November 16, 2015, replacing Kaylee King.
5. Lindsay Legler, WHS Principal, effective November 24, 2015.
6. Chris Curry, WMS Teacher, *resignation* effective November 19, 2015 – original hire date February 9, 2004.
7. Patrick J. Wnek, District Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, *resignation* effective January 3, 2016 – original hire date June 8, 2005, payment for any unused vacation leave, sick leave up to 550 hours, and transfer remaining sick leave to the Putnam County School District (NEFEC).
8. Demeris E. Arrington, Williston Elementary School Secretary, exiting DROP, effective January 31, 2016, and payment for any unused sick leave.
9. Tera McKinney, YTS Teacher, effective November 18, 2015, replacing Tracy Jenner.
10. Sarah Trimm, BMHS AVID Tutor, effective October 26, 2015, paid from project #40241F2016..

**b) Military Leave Request:**

1. Lamar D. Asbell, Jr., Maintenance Department, November 13, 2015, Drill Dates, FL Army National Guard.

**c) Professional Leave Request:**

1. Leigh Paige Mace, District SEDNET Coordinator, December 9 (pm) – 11, 2015, SEDNET State Workdays, Orlando, expenses paid from SEDNET Project #40234F2016.

2. FOIL Conference, Howey-in-the-Hills (Orlando), expenses paid from Project #19060:

**November 30 (pm) – December 2, 2015:**

Patrick Wnek, District Assistant Superintendent

Jeannine Mills, YTS, Principal

**December 1-2, 2015:**

Michael Homan, District, Coordinator of Title Programs

Barbara Rivers, District, Director of MIS/Technology

**d) Student Trip Requests:**

1. WMS Jr. Beta Club, November 30 (6 am) – December 1 (6 pm), 2015, FL Jr. Beta Convention, Orlando, chaperones Amber Philpot, Jenny Handley, Susan Liles, Twanda Miller, Kevin Byrne, 18 students, 1 school bus, and personal vehicles, expenses paid from Jr. Beta internal accounts, transportation expenses paid from Board Member Brad Etheridge's Project #19085.
2. CKS, Middle School FFA Conference, December 4-5, 2015, Haines City, Chaperone Rachel Wetherington, 2 students, county van, all expenses paid school internal FFA account.

**e) Administrative Services:**

1. 2015 NEFEC Autism Spectrum Disorder Add-On Endorsement Program K-12 (Attachment #1)

**f) Illness-In-Line-of-Duty Leave Request:**

1. Charlotte Hathcox, CMHS Food Service Manager, November 12, 2015 (4.0 hours).

**2. FINANCE:**

- a) Financial Statement for October 2015
- b) Budget Amendments #3A and #3B
- c) Permission to declare the following items as surplus property and dispose of in the best interest of the Board:

<b><u>Property No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Acquisition</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
C – 2054	1986 Chevrolet G-30 Van	08 / 86	\$15,577.34
C – 2705	1988 Chevrolet G-30 Van	06 / 88	\$16,020.00
C – 3690	1990 GMC Cargo Van	11 / 90	\$18,571.90
C – 7816	John Deere riding mower	11 / 96	\$3,600.00
C – 10612	Easy Go Golf Cart	08 / 02	\$1,200.00
C – 12068	Golf Cart	12 / 06	\$1,200.00

**Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations:**

Superintendent Hastings thanked Todd Duffy, from ACA, for attending the Board Meeting and for taking the Board on a tour of the new Williston Middle High School Construction Site. Todd Duffy asked that people ride together to reduce the amount of vehicles taken through the gate and asked everyone to check in at the office. Mr. Hastings introduced Bruce Greenlee, Director of Transportation and welcomed him to SBLC. Bruce thanked Mr. Hastings and the Board for hiring him for the position and said he looks forward to his new challenges. Mr. Hastings thanked Paige for hosting the NEFEC Directors' Meeting at the Gathering Table and said everyone enjoyed the camaraderie and great food. He said we all are very blessed and we need to be thankful, especially to God.

**Board Comments :**

Brad Etheridge wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. He thanked Toddy Duffy and ACA for the speedy construction on the new Williston Middle High School and for their support this past football season with all the food, contributions, and work at the concession stands during the football games.

Cameron Asbell also wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving. He thanked Ron for his presentation on the Chrome Books and commented about how good they are for the students. He said he was glad to have today's meeting at WES Media Center so everyone can see the nice environment for our students to study and read books. He thanked Patrick Wnek for his services to SBLC and said he will truly be missed. Cameron told Patrick he was a great asset to SBLC and will be a great asset to NEFEC. Patrick thanked the Board and said he will miss everyone, but looks forward to working with them in a different aspect.

Chris Cowart also thanked Todd Duffy and ACA for being part of the Williston community by donating and bring food to the football games, and the Beast Feast. He thanked Terry Witt for attending the Board Meeting and visiting the new WMHS Construction Site with them today. Chris thanked everyone for supporting students with pie and cake auctions and events. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He thanked Patrick Wnek for everything he has done and said he will miss him.

Paige Brookins thankd Todd Duffy and ACA for the construction of the new WMHS and said they have been a blessing ensuring that the construction goes smoothly and timely. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Paige asked Angela to send the Board an updated contact list.

With no other business to come before the Board, Paige Brookins moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Chris Cowart, the meeting was adjourned with the Board visiting at the new WMHS Construction Site immediately following the meeting.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Robert O. Hastings, Secretary

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Rick H. Turner, Chairman