

**Bronson, FL
May 11, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

Executive Session

The School Board of Levy County met in Executive Session this 11th day of May 2021 at 5:30 p.m. with Board Chairman Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Paige Brookins, Tammy Boyle and Board Attorney David Delaney present. Ashley Clemenzi was absent.

Expulsion Recommendations: The Board heard information regarding recommendations for expulsion. After School Administrator, CMHS Principal Mickey Ebert had given testimony; the following action was taken by the Board.

Student 21-21: (grandmother, student and brother present). After discussion from the Board Members, grandmother and student, Paige Brookins moved to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2020-2021 SY and 2021-2022 SY, with the opportunity to attend the CMHS FOCUS Center with anger management counseling, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

Regular Session 6:00 p.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 11th day of May 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Paige Brookins, Tammy Boyle, and Board Attorney David Delaney present. Ashley Clemenzi was absent.

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.

All School Board meetings are recorded and may be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/user/LevyCountySchools> within 1-2 days after the scheduled meeting.

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

Welcome Visitors and Public Comments: Board Chairman Cameron Asbell welcomed everyone to the meeting in person or virtually and asked if anyone would like to address the Board. There were none.

FSBA Scholarship – Skylar Wirth (CKS): Tina Pinkoson, Director of Leadership Services, Florida School Board Association said at the during COVID, the December FSBA Conference had to be held virtually online. There were some contests and Tammy Boyle won one of the contests. She received a \$1,000 scholarship. Through a selection process, Skylar Wirth was chosen to receive the scholarship. The Board congratulated for receiving the scholarship.

Proclamation: John Meeks, Chairman of the Levy County Board of County Commissioners presented a Proclamation 2021-051 to the Board for approval. The Proclamation designates May 3-7, 2021 as Teacher Appreciation Week. The Levy County Board of County Commissioners adopted it at their meeting, May 4, 2021. After discussion, Paige Brookins moved to approve Proclamation 2021-051, second by Tammy Boyle, motion carried.

School Presentation - JBES Gifted Program and/or Alternative Core Classes: Hillary Cribbs, Principal, Dian Dudeck, KG ESE Teacher, Kristina Keene, 1st and 2nd Grade, ESE, and Jennifer Martin, 1st Grade, showed a PowerPoint presentation showing Alternate Core Classes. Alternate Core classes are for ELA and math students need Tier 2 and 3 interventions. The teachers said the programs have really helped the students succeed and

progressed from August to May.

JUUL Presentation: Attorney Steven Mayer gave a review of the presentation for the JUUL litigation. After discussion, the Board Members agreed to review and revisit this topic later.

Approval of Minutes: Tammy Boyle moved to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2021 Board meeting, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

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

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Angela Heredia, BES Teacher, Fifth Grade, **resignation**, effective April 23, 2021, original hire date August 5, 2019.
2. Kevin Jones, WMHS Teacher, Social Studies, S/H, **resignation**, effective April 30, 2021, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date February 12, 2020.
3. Chloe Hunt, District Coordinator, Title Programs, **resignation**, effective May 19, 2021, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date January 20, 2006.
4. Stephanie Schonborn, CES Teacher Aide, ESE, **resignation**, effective May 27, 2021, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date October 2, 2018.
5. Sarah Freeman, WES Teacher, Third Grade, **resignation**, effective May 28, 2021, original hire date January 20, 2017.
6. Jennifer J. Goedeck, BMHS Teacher Aide, ESE, **resignation**, effective April 29, 2021, original hire date August 23, 1999.
7. Ivonne Diaz, District ESE Teacher, Hospital Homebound, **resignation** effective April 30, 2021, original hire date October 19, 2020.
8. Lynette Hinchliffe, Transportation Bus Driver, **effective** April 28, 2021, **vacancy**.
9. Kathryn Duffield, Transportation Bus Driver, **effective** April 29, 2021, **vacancy**.
10. Francis Nieves Colon, WMHS Custodian, **effective** April 27, 2021, **vacancy**.
11. Catherine Mikell, BES Teacher, PE, **resignation for retirement**, effective May 28, 2021, original hire date August 15, 1974.
12. Charles Gilliland, WMHS Custodian, effective April 27, 2021, **vacancy**.
13. Rose Fant, WMHS Clerk Media, **resignation**, effective May 20, 2021, original hire date October 12, 2018.
14. Julietta S. Frank, WES Teacher, Third Grade, **resignation**, effective May 28, 2021, original hire date August 3, 2020.

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

1. (Board approved 4.13.21) Florence Underwood, CES FNS Worker, April 1-27, 2021, *extend* ending through May 28, 2021.
2. Felesia Jenkins-Nelson, JBES Teacher, 2021-2022 school year.
3. Ruby Watson, BMHS Teacher Aide, May 17-28, 2021.

c) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. Kaylee Caraway, WES Teacher, Third Grade, May 3-28, 2021.

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

1. Danny Floyd, JBES Head Custodian, May 3 and May 11-21, 2021.

e) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Tammy Boyle, School Board Member, FSBA School Finance Forum 2.0, April 8-9, 2021, Howey-in-the-Hills, FL., travel paid from Project #10074.
2. Florida Organization of Instructional Leaders (FOIL) Conference, May 11-13, 2021, Orlando, FL., travel paid from Projects #10071 and #18320, for the following:
 - Christopher Cowart, Superintendent of Schools
 - Melissa Lewis, District Director, Accountability
 - Joshua Slep, WMHS Principal
3. Angela Pompeo, WMHS Teacher, Health CDE, Florida Association of Career and Technical Education (FACTE) Annual Conference, July 18-21, 2021, Orlando, FL., travel paid from Project #40201 F2021.

f) Student Trip Requests:

1. CKS Track and Field State Tournament, May 6-7, 2021, Jacksonville, FL., chaperone Joseph Bishop, three students, private vehicle, travel paid from Project #14920 INTRN.

g) Administrative Services:

1. Contracts and/or Agreements:
 - i. 2021-2022 Agreement between the School Board of Levy County and UF College of Medicine, Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, to provide athletic services as needed for the athletic events throughout the school year, paid from Project #13310.

2. FINANCE:

- a) Budget Amendments #20-00027 14A and #20-00028 14B.
- b) Surplus Property:
 - i. Request permission to declare the following equipment as surplus and donate to the School Board of Marion County for their Biotech Program:

Property to be removed from Inventory			5/5/2021	
Facility	Property Number	Description	Acquisition Date	Amount
Chiefland Middle High				
Chiefland Middle High	C-13194	Workstation/ AG-Biotechnology	11/27/2013	\$1,924.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13195	Workstation/ AG-Biotechnology	11/27/2013	\$1,924.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13196	Workstation/ AG-Biotechnology	11/27/2013	\$1,924.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13197	Workstation/ AG-Biotechnology	11/27/2013	\$1,924.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13198	Workstation/ AG-Biotechnology	11/27/2013	\$1,924.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13234	Balance, Analytical- AG Technology	11/19/2013	\$3,000.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13235	Balance, Analytical- AG Technology	11/19/2013	\$3,000.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13236	Balance, Analytical- AG Technology	11/19/2013	\$3,000.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13237	Balance, Analytical- AG Technology	11/19/2013	\$3,000.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13239	Spectrophotometer	11/19/2013	\$1,395.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13240	Spectrophotometer	11/19/2013	\$1,395.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13241	Spectrophotometer	11/19/2013	\$1,395.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13242	Spectrophotometer	11/19/2013	\$1,395.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13291	Flow Clean Bench	6/5/2014	\$4,500.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-13243	Spectrophotometer	11/19/2013	\$1,395.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-14135	E-Gel Power Snap Electrophoresis Device Starter Kit	9/11/2019	\$1,200.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-14136	E-Gel Power Snap Electrophoresis Device Starter Kit	9/11/2019	\$1,200.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-14137	E-Gel Power Snap Electrophoresis Device Starter Kit	9/11/2019	\$1,200.00
Chiefland Middle High	C-14138	E-Gel Power Snap Electrophoresis Device Starter Kit	9/11/2019	\$1,200.00
TOTAL				\$37,895.00

Superintendent's Comments/Recommendations: Superintendent Christopher Cowart said this is a very busy time of the year with banquets, awards ceremonies, and graduations. He said our FFA students are well represented and he appreciates all our Agriculture teachers and all they do for the FFA students. He thanked Marcia Smith, Kelly Beckham, Catherine Mikell and Carol Jones for all their years of service to our students. Mr. Cowart thanked Mrs. Chloe Hunt for 16 years with the Levy County Schools. He said she just had her son and has chosen to stay home to be a new mother. He asked everyone to remember the family of Connie James, who passed away. He was a long time bus driver. He said at the Evening of Excellence we celebrated employees with their long years of service, 47, 45, 38, 37 and 35 years. Mr. Cowart congratulated four students who successfully completed the welding certification; Hobby Bishop, WMHS, Nathan Jordan, CMHS, John Pelham, CKS, and his son, Justin Giffen.

Board Comments: Brad Etheridge said he is proud to be from Levy County. He said between DeDee Mcleod, Joyce Wetzel and Sandra Wise, they have 116 years of service between them. He thanked Superintendent Cowart for opening the schools, banquets, field trips and events back up for attendance. Paige Brookins said she appreciated

celebrating two years of Teachers of the Year and School Related Employees of the Year at the Evening of Excellence. She said last year's celebration was missed due to COVID. Mrs. Brookins said he looking forward to the graduations and the CMHS new school is progressing quickly. Tammy Boyle thanked JBES for a great presentation tonight. She said CKS graduation is Saturday, May 22 at 9:00 a.m. She requested to attend all the graduations to get to know the other communities. She said she enjoyed working with FNS for Hero Day. Cameron Asbell said this is a great time of the year. He said BMHS is having senior signing day for students going into the military or continuing to vocational programs. Signing day is Wednesday, May 12 at 2:00 p.m. He said he is looking forward to the FFA banquets, Awards banquets and graduation. He has two sons graduating this year and his son, Hayden Asbell was the only one in the state of Florida to pass the certification test for Water/Waste Water Management class.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Christopher A. Cowart, Secretary

Cameron Asbell, Board Chairman