

Bronson, FL
October 23, 2018
8:10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Executive Session this 23rd day of October, 2018 at 8:10 a.m. with Board Vice Chairman Brad Etheridge presiding, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart and Board Attorney David Delaney, present, Board Chairman Cameron Asbell was absent.

Expulsion Hearing (1): The Board heard information regarding a recommendation for expulsion. After the School Administrator, Tim McCarthy had given testimony, the following actions were taken by the Board.

Student 19-03: (student, and parent present) After discussion from the Board Members, school administrator, student and parent, Chris Cowart moved to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2018-2019 SY and 2019-2020 SY, with the opportunity to attend the FOCUS Center at BMHS, second by Rick Turner. Motion carried. The Board asked for the school administrator to return to give an update on the student's progress after January.

Recommendation to Return to Community School: The Board heard information from WMHS Administrator Jim Smith and CMHS Administrator Adam Gore, regarding the students' academic and behavioral progress at WMHS and CMHS Focus Center. After questioning the students and parents, the Board took the following actions:

Student 18-13 (parent and student were present): Superintendent Edison made the recommendation for the remainder of the student's expulsion from WMHS Focus Center be suspended and the student be allowed to return to regular school for the 2018-2019 SY, effective October 23, 2018. After discussion, Chris Cowart moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendation, second by Rick Turner. Motion carried.

Student 18-14 (parent and student were present): Superintendent Edison made the recommendation for the remainder of the student's expulsion from WMHS Focus Center be suspended and the student be allowed to return to regular school for the 2018-2019 SY, effective October 23, 2018. After discussion, Chris Cowart moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendation, second by Paige Brookins. Motion carried.

Student 18-15 (parents and student were present): Superintendent Edison made the recommendation for the remainder of the student's expulsion from CMHS Focus Center be suspended and the student be allowed to return to regular school for the 2018-2019 SY, effective October 23, 2018. After discussion, Paige Brookins moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendation, second by Chris Cowart. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

9:00 a.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 23rd day of October, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. with Board Vice Chairman Brad Etheridge presiding, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart and Board Attorney David Delaney present. Board Chairman Cameron Asbell was absent.

Adoption of Agenda: Chris Cowart moved to approve the agenda, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

Welcome Visitors: Board Vice Chairman Brad Etheridge welcomed all the visitors and asked if anyone from the audience would like to address the Board. There were none.

Levy County Prevention Coalition Presentation: Jonathan Lewis gave a PowerPoint presentation overview about the Levy County Prevention Coalition. He said the Coalition along with the CDS have prevention programming to help at-risk youth avoid self-destructive behaviors such as the use of drugs, engaging in violent

behaviors, and truancy. He read their mission statement and said they were established in 2004. They were re-established in 2010-2011 in partnership with CDS Family and Behavioral Health Services. Mr. Lewis showed many activities and support programs that the Levy County Prevention Coalition provides for students and families within Levy County. He said all decisions for the Coalition's Strategic Plan include local data, professionals, parents, youth and others. Mr. Lewis talked about their "Too Good for Drugs and Too Good for Violence" Program in Bronson, Chiefland, and Williston. He said the programs are available for certain age groups and the students learn conflict resolution, anger management, respect for self and others, communication, decision making, goal setting, and pro-social peer bonding. The Board thanked Jonathan for their support and assistance for Levy County.

Request to Advertise for Public Hearing to Adopt/Amend the Following School Board Policies: John Lott, Assistant Superintendent, informed the Board that SBLC revises, amends or adopts School Board Policies twice per year; summer and fall. He reviewed policies 3.06 – Safe and Secure Schools, 3.101- Religious Expression in Public Schools – NEW, 5.04 – Requirements for Original Entry, 6.18 – Approval of Leaves, 10.06 – Purchases Procurement for School. After review and discussion, Chris Cowart moved to approve the request to advertise for public hearing to adopt/amend School Board Policies 3.06, 3.101, 5.04, 6.18 and 10.06, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Rick Turner moved to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2018 Board meeting, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

Consent Agenda: After discussion, Rick Turner moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Adriana Perez, JBES Teacher Aide, ESE, *effective* October 16, 2018, *vacancy*, paid from the following funding:

1000E 5500 0150 0092 13720	13%
4210E 5200 0150 0092 40230 F2019	87%

2. Barbara Kirkland, BES Teacher Aide, Pre-K LEAD, *effective* October 11, 2018, *vacancy*.

3. Amy Webber, CES Reading Coach, *from* Reading Coach *to* Guidance Counselor, *effective* October 15, 2018, and *change in funding source*, as follows, *out-of-field* in Guidance and Counseling.

From: 4210E 6400 0130 40220 F2019	57%
4210E 6400 0130 40241 F2019	43%

To: 1000E 6120 0130 0241 11030	100%
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4. Frances Walker-Crawford, CMHS Reading Coach, *change in funding source*, effective August 6, 2018, as follows:

From: 1000E 6400 0130 0051 11332	25%
4210E 5400 0130 0051 40220 F2019	55%
4210E 6400 0130 0051 40241 F2019	20%

To: 1000E 6400 0130 0051 11332	25%
4210E 6400 0130 0051 40220 F2019	40%
1000E 5100 0130 0051 11030	15%
4210E 6400 0130 0051 40241 F2019	20%

5. Dale Johnston, BMHS Teacher, Industrial Ed/Carpentry, **resignation**, effective October 12, 2018, original hire date August 3, 2017.
6. Carissa Green, BES Teacher Aide, **resignation**, effective October 5, 2018, original hire date August 7, 2018.
7. Adam Boatright, District IT Associate, **resignation**, effective October 26, 2018, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date August 17, 2016.
8. Lindsay Whittington, YTS Teacher, **transfer** to BMHS, Dean, **effective** October 11, 2018, and **change in funding source**, as follows:

From: 1000E 5100 0120 0111 11030 100%
To: 1000E 7300 0110 0021 11030 100%
9. Magdaline Algarin-Febres, BES Food Service Assistant Manager, **transfer** to BES, Food Service Manager, and **increase** hours from 7.5 daily to 8 hours daily, **effective** November 1, 2018.
10. Ashley Coker, BMHS Teacher Aide, ESE, **effective** October 12, 2018, **vacancy**.
11. Rose Fant, WMHS Teacher Aide, Title I, **effective** October 12, 2018, **new position**.
12. Rodney Thomas, BMHS Teacher Aide, Other, **effective** October 8, 2018, **vacancy**.

b) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. **(Originally approved 8/14/18)** - Taukiya Bostick, JBES Custodian July 25, 2018 – August 22, 2018, 8 hours per day, **amend dates** to October 16-26, 2018.
2. Margaret Bailey, WMHS Teacher, Science, S/H, October 16, 2018 through January 30, 2019.

c) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Gordon Kingston, WMHS Teacher/Guidance, M/J, ISRD/LEA Training for ESE District Staff, Administrators, September 19-20, 2018, Marianna, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #14939 ISRD.
2. FEN/FASPA Conference, November 6-9, 2018, Tampa, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #17730, for the following:
 - Marla Hiers, District Director of Personnel
 - Cheryl Galpin, District Personnel Specialist
3. Laura Klock, District Coordinator, Pre-K and Student Services, Florida Institute on Homelessness and Supportive Housing, October 31, 2018 – November 2, 2018, Orlando, meals paid from Project #42412 F2019, hotel paid directly by USF.
4. Teresa Pinder, District ESE/SS LAT Specialist, to the following conferences, paid from Project LATS #40290:
 - Regional Local Assistive Technology Specialist Fall Meeting, November 7-9, 2018, Fernandina Beach, FL.
 - R-LATS Duties, Putnam County, November 13-15, 2018, Palatka, FL.
 - R-LATS Duties, Flagler County, November 25-27, 2018, Palm Coast and Bunnell.
5. Sandra Watson, YTS Teacher, Reading Coach, Elem., Pearson Symposium, September 17-18, 2018, Clearwater, FL., all expense paid by Pearson, no cost to Board.

6. Elizabeth Kennelly-Smith, District ESE/SS SEDNET Coordinator, SEDNET Statewide Workdays, December 3-5, 2018, Champions Gate, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40234 F2019.
7. Dr. Rosalind Hall, District Director, ESE/SS, presenting at the DOE Educational Strategy and Student Engagement Institute, November 14-16, 2018, Orlando, travel expenses paid from Project #40230 F2019.
8. Matthew Dettloff, CMHS Teacher, CTE, National Association of Agricultural Educators National Convention (NAAE), November 26, 2018 – December 1, 2018, San Antonio, TX., substitute paid from Project #15322, registration, hotel, mileage and meals paid directly by NAAE.
9. Azure Kelly, CKS Instructional Dean, ISRD-LEA Training, September 16-17, 2018, Lake Placid, FL., travel expenses from Project #14939.
10. Carol DuBois, District Coordinator of Career Pathways/Literacy, State CTE Meeting, October 23-24, 2018, Clearwater, travel expenses paid from Project #40202 F2019.

d) Administrative Services:

1. Contracts and/or Agreements:
 - i. 2018-2019 Eluma Contract to provide on-line therapy services for Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Behavior and Mental Health Services, and Physical Therapy during the 2018-2019 SY, paid from Project #40230 F2019.

e) Personal Leave in Excess of (6) Days:

1. Taukiya Bostick, JBES Custodian, October 27 – November 23, 2018.

2. Finance:

- a. General Fund Budget Summary Info and Financial Statements for September, 2018.
- b. Budget Amendment 4A #18-00005.
- c. Budget Amendment 4B #18-00006.

Superintendent's Comments/Recommendations: Superintendent Jeffery Edison said the school visits were re-scheduled due to changes in the November Board meetings, and the November 13th school visit will be CKS. He thanked everyone for participating, assisting and supporting the Beast Feast. Mr. Edison thanked Chris Cowart for working all day at the Cedar Key Seafood Festival and then working at the Beast Feast. He thanked Brad Etheridge for hosting the event. He said during the last NEFEC meeting, the Superintendents agreed to adopt a school district in the panhandle that was effected by hurricane Michael. Mr. Edison said the accreditation visit will be October 29-31, 2018 and the teams will visit all schools, except JBES, CES and CKS. He shared information from Kim McDougal about the Legislative Platform, and said the Legislative visit will either be the week of January 7, 2019 or January 21, 2019. Supt. Edison said SBLC and the Board will hold workshops to develop the Strategic Plan and the EOC process.

Board Comments: Chris Cowart thanked Angela Hogan for assisting him when things are needed for CKS, and for ensuring the Board members have everything needed for Board meetings. He thanked Breezy for setting up the tables at CKS for the Seafood Festival and Supt. Edison for cooking for the CKS PTO. He said the Beast Feast was amazing. He thanked Paige Brookins for the chowder and Rick Turner for the frog legs and smoked mullet dip. He said the funds raised are approximately \$11,000, but will increase as the money from the cake auction is received. Mr. Cowart thanked Rick Turner for everything he has done for Levy County. He said the Foundation is naming a scholarship after Rick and Donna Turner. He said he traveled with the Chiefland, Williston and Suwannee Valley Rotary Clubs and made stops throughout the Panhandle delivering water after hurricane Michael.

Paige Brookins said the Beast Feast was wonderful and it was a honor to highlight Rick and Donna Turner. She said she appreciates both of them.

Rick Turner thanked everyone for their kind words and wished them luck with all the changes in education.

Brad Etheridge said he hopes the accreditation visit will be an opportunity to assist us to improve in areas needed. He said he appreciates the public and community because they always support the Levy County Schools, regardless of what the need is or the area that need assistance. He said he likes the leadership we have in Levy County. Superintendent Edison thanked him for his support and said he's looking forward to developing a new Strategic Plan and improving Levy County Schools.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jeffery R. Edison, Secretary

Bradley Etheridge, Board Vice Chairman