

Bronson, FL
November 14, 2017
5:40 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Executive Session this 14th day of November, 2017 at 5:40 p.m. with Board Chairman Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, and Board Attorney David Delaney, present.

Expulsion Hearings: The Board heard information regarding recommendation for expulsion. After the School Administrator Gary Masters had given testimony, the following actions were taken by the Board.

Student 18-03 (parent and student were present): After discussion from the Board Members, Rick Turner moved with second by Brad Etheridge to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2017-2018 SY and 2018-2019 SY. Respondent will have the opportunity to re-appear before the Board for consideration of placement in a Levy County School at the conclusion of the first semester of the 2018-2019 SY, which will be the first Board Meeting in December, 2018. Student must present documentation of successful mental health counseling to the Superintendent two (2) weeks prior to the first Board Meeting in December. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

6:00 p.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 14th day of November, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

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

Welcome Visitors: Board Chairman Chris Cowart welcomed all the visitors and asked if anyone from the audience who would like to address the Board. There were none.

School Presentation - CKS: Principal Joshua Slemp introduced three sophomores from CKS, Michael Smith, Michele Dibari and Zander Stanley. They read their poems from the Young Authors' Book. Mr. Slemp said this is the 28th year for the Young Authors' at CKS. He showed a PowerPoint presentation of other activities at the school. Chairman Chris Cowart said he was glad to have Mr. Slemp as Principal of CKS. He thanked him for his support of the school and said he appreciates all his involvement with any school activities.

BES Recognition of Exemplar Employees: Dr. Rosalind Hall presented BES employees with Recognition of Exemplar. They were Marilyn Johnson, Caeli Woodard, LeShae Curnell, Tawanda Gross, Jeannie Norris and Angie Phillips. She said they all worked together, including Cheryl Beauchamp, BES Principal and other staff to assist an ESE student during a life-threatening time of need. They were presented with flowers and certificates. The mother and dad were very appreciative and thanked everyone for assisting their daughter in her time of emergency.

2017-2018 School Improvement Plans: Michael Homan, Coordinator of Title Programs, gave an overview of the 2017-2018 School Improvement Plans for each school. After discussion, Rick Turner moved to approve the 2017-2018 SIP Plans, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried.

Proposed December Board Meeting Date Change: Superintendent asked the Board to consider cancelling the December 26, 2017 Board Meeting. He said our next Board Meeting will be January 9, 2018. After discussion,

Brad Etheridge moved to cancel the December 26th meeting, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

WMS Boundary Survey: Superintendent Edison shared copies of the legal description of the WMS Boundary Survey, and said the property currently includes the road. After explanation, Mr. Edison requested to have the legal description revised to move the boundary and return the road to Levy County. After discussion, Brad Etheridge moved to have the WMS Boundary Survey revised to return the road to Levy County, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried.

Five-Year Work Plan: John Lott reviewed the Five-Year Work Plan process for the new CMHS beginning with the 2018-2019 school year. After discussion, Paige Brookins moved to approve the Five-Year Work Plan, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

Old BHS Site: John Lott said we need to declare the old BHS site as surplus property in order to remove the student stations from the records. He said this process has to be done before the property can be listed for sale. Mr. Lott said the SBLC has received outside interest in purchasing the property. He said the current students at LLA will be re-located to the “old” Hilltop location. The ESE / SS Department will remain on-site until the property sells. After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved to declare the old BHS site as surplus property, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

New CMHS: 1) Declaration of Critical Need – Mr. Lott discussed the Critical Needs for the CMHS with the Board. After discussion of the current buildings, property, and students re-location, Paige Brookins moved to approve the Declaration of Critical Need for the new CMHS, second by Rick Turner, motion carried. 2) Site resignation – John Lott informed the Board that after reviewing and evaluating several locations, the committee chose to build the new CMHS on the same location as the present Chiefland High School. After discussion, Paige Brookins moved to approve the present location for the new CMHS, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried. 3) Castaldi Generalized Formula for School Modernization Report – Mr. Lott reviewed the Castaldi Report with the Board. 4) Request for Proposal (RFP) Team – Mr. Lott informed the Board that the RFP Team for the new CMHS included John Lott, William (Breezy) Stockman, Mac Huber, Gerald Ward, Kim Lake, Kalee Wade, Chris Johns, and Pam Whitney. After discussion, Paige Brookins moved to approve the Castaldi Report and RFP Committee Members, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: After discussion, Brad Etheridge moved to approve the amended minutes of the October 24, 2017 Board meeting to add the expulsions, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

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

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Carol Gore, CMHS Teacher Aide, ESE, ***resignation***, effective November 2, 2017, original hire date November 1, 2010.
2. April Fleetwood, BMHS Teacher, Reading, ***resignation***, effective October 30, 2017, ***transfer*** leave to FLVS, original hire date August 13, 2007.
3. Patricia Caron, MIS Computer Technician, ***resignation*** from employment to ***participate in DROP***, effective October 1, 2017, and ***ending*** August 31, 2022.
4. Lyle Horne, District Plumber, Maintenance Department, ***exiting DROP***, effective January 31, 2018.
5. Rhonda Armstrong, BES Teacher Aide, VPK Lead, ***effective*** November 6, 2017, ***vacancy***.

6. Crystal Williams, CES Teacher Aide, ESE, **effective** October 23, 2017, **vacancy**.
7. Sylvia Hastings, CMHS Custodian, **exiting DROP**, effective January 31, 2018.
8. Matthew McLelland, District Director of Administration, **resignation**, effective November 3, 2017, and **payment** for any unused leave, original hire date July 13, 2006.
9. Teresa Viles, YTS Teacher, Combination Elementary, **resignation**, effective November 10, 2017, and **transfer leave** to Marion County School Board, original hire date August 3, 2017.
10. Out-of-Field Assignments for the 2017-2018 school year:

Site	Employee	Certification	OOF Area(s)
WES			
	Shakari Lamb	ESE K-12	ESOL

b) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Presenters at Central Florida i-Ready Users Summit, October 28-30, 2017, Lake Buena Vista South, Kissimmee, FL., all expenses paid directly by i-Ready, no cost to Board, for the following:

BES: Cheryl Beauchamp, Principal and Melinda Chemin, Teacher, Reading Coach
2. Lindsay Legler, WMHS Principal, College Board Southern Regional Forum, February 7-9, 2018, Orlando, FL., hotel paid by Florida Leadership Partnership/College Board Scholarship (FLP), mileage and meals paid from Project #14897.
3. Kimberley McLean, District Teacher, Visually Impaired ESE / SS, Working with Experts – Visually Impaired Meeting, November 29 – December 1, 2017, Palm Beach Gardens, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40230.
4. Kimberley McLean, District Teacher, ESE/SS, Visually Impaired, InD Full State Conference, December 6-8, 2017, Tampa, FL., mileage reimbursed directly to attendee by Access Project, meals and motel paid from Project #40230.
5. Christina Smith, CMHS Teacher, Vocational Business, Future of Education Technology (FETC) Conference, January 24-26, 2018, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #15322.
6. Elizabeth Kennelly-Smith, District SEDNET Coordinator, SEDNET Work days, December 4-6, 2017, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40234 F2018.

c) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. **(Originally Board Approved Oct. 24, 2017)** Angela Sprawling, CMHS Teacher Aide, October 13, 2017 through November 3, 2017, **amend** leave through November 17, 2017.
2. **(Originally Board Approved Sept. 18, 2017)** Rose Fant, WMHS Health Aide, September 25, 2017 through November 6, 2017, **amend** leave through November 17, 2017.
3. Amy Boyd, District Transportation, Bus Driver, November 7-17, 2017.

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

1. Christy Jones, CES Teacher, ESE, November 6, 2017, 6 hours.
2. Michelle Seckinger, BES Teacher Aide, ESE, October 27, 2017.

e) Student Trip Requests:

1. CMHS SGA Students, SGA District 2 Retreat, December 10-11, 2017, Camp Kulaqua, High Springs, FL., Chaperone Lori Thomas, nine (9) students, county bus, travel expenses paid from CMHS SGA Internal Account.

f) Administrative Services:

1. Contracts and / or Agreements:
 - i. Contract with Gray Robinson, Attorneys At Law, to serve as lobbyists for the School Board of Levy County, effective November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018. (Attachment)

2. FINANCE:

1. General Fund Budget Summary Info and Financial Statements for October, 2017.
2. Budget Amendment 7-B #17-00009.

Superintendent's Comments/Recommendations: Superintendent Jeff Edison said the Levy County Prevention Coalition have been great partners with the School Board of Levy County by providing mental health counseling within the schools. He said Jonathan Lewis, Director of the Coalition has applied for a grant for Mental Health Counseling and the grant is approximately \$200,000. Mr. Edison shared copies of the Governor's Budget Summary and gave an overview of the budget. He reminded the Board of the last Master Board Training scheduled for Thursday, November 16, 2017, from 8-noon. Mr. Edison gave dates for pie and cake auctions at four schools.

Board Comments: Paige Brookins informed the Board that Lauren Jones, a CMS student, placed 14th in Track for the state competition. Rick Turner asked for an update on the athletic fees participation. He said the DOE needs to approve and release the Title funding. He said the money is very important for salaries and tutoring. Brad Etheridge gave an update of the athletic events at WMHS. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Cameron Asbell said the student and employee recognition tonight was very touching. He said the football, band, cheer and ROTC Banquet will be Saturday night. Chris Cowart said the staff in the ESE classes have a very difficult job and tasks within the classrooms to ensure the safety and care of every student. He complimented the students for their presentations and the CKS Young Authors Books. He said the Young Authors has been occurring for 28 years and it's very enjoyable.

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

Chris Cowart, Board Chairman