

Bronson, FL
November 10, 2015
5:40 p.m.
EXECUTIVE SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Executive Session this 10th day of November, 2015 at 5:40 p.m. with Board Chair Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

Expulsion Hearing: The Board heard information regarding a recommendation for expulsion. After the School Administrator and parent/guardians were sworn in by the Court Reporter and had given testimony, the following action was taken by the Board.

Student 16-04 (student and parents present): Chris Cowart moved with second by Paige Brookins to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2015/2016 SY and all of the 2016/2017 SY with the opportunity to attend the Levy Learning Academy and to receive anger management counseling while enrolled at LLA. The Superintendent also set a restitution amount of \$100.00 for the student to pay back to the school for damages caused to school property. Motion carried.

6:00 p.m.
REGULAR SESSION

The Board then met in regular session to continue with the remaining business of the Board.

Adoption of Agenda: Chris Cowart moved to adopt the Agenda, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried.

Welcome Visitors: Board Chair Rick Turner welcomed all visitors and asked if there was anyone from the audience who wanted to address the Board, there were none.

Bids for “GAP Funding” – New WMHS Construction Project: Bob Clemons reviewed information regarding “Gap Funding” for the new Williston Middle High School project with the Board. He explained that Gap Funding may be necessary by March 2016 to meet the current obligations required by construction until the final special facility and tax receipts for 2016-2017 are received. He asked the Board to approve a resolution authorizing him to go out for bids to borrow the necessary funds. After review of the resolution and further discussion, Chris Cowart moved to approve SBLC Resolution #16-05, authorizing Mr. Clemons to borrow funds as authorized by FL Statutes 1011.13, second by Cameron Asbell, motion unanimously carried.

November 24 and December 22, 2015 Board Meetings: Superintendent Hastings reminded the Board they had agreed at the last Board Meeting to vote on relocating and/or cancelling the November 24th and December 22nd board meetings due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. After reviewing the dates and discussing their options, Paige Brookins moved to hold the November 24, 2015 Board Meeting at Williston Elementary School with the Board visiting the new WMHS construction site after the meeting, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried. Cameron Asbell then moved to cancel the December 22, 2015 Board Meeting, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried. Superintendent Hastings told the Board the information would be advertised in local newspapers as required and posted on the SBLC website.

Minutes: Chris Cowart moved with second by Brad Etheridge to approve the Minutes of the October 27, 2015 Board Meeting, motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Paige Brookins moved with second by Cameron Asbell, to approve the following Items on the consent agenda, motion carried.

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Pamela Q. Morrison, WES Confidential Secretary / Bookkeeper, effective December 14, 2015, (current salary to be frozen until such time as raises bring or exceed her salary to current rate), replacing Demeris Arrington, exiting DROP January 31, 2016.
2. Angela Hogan, Secretary to the Superintendent, effective December 14, 2015, replacing Pamela Q. Morrison.
3. Amanda B. Smith, *position change* from District Receptionist to 12 Month Secretary, effective November 10, 2015.
4. Penny Stearns, BES Health Aide, *resignation* effective November 30, 2015 – original hire date October 11, 2006.
5. Approval of job description - Teacher Aide, Exceptional Student Education (Self-Care).
6. Vensia Scott, District School Bus Aide, effective November 4, 2015, replacing Lindsey Johns.
7. Sheila Anderson, District School Bus Aide, effective November 4, 2015, replacing Ramona Carrillo.
8. Lori Prevatt, Levy Learning Academy teacher Aide, effective November 3, 2015, replacing Karlie Bishop.
9. Betsy Soto, BMHS ESOL Aide, effective November 2, 2015, replacing Sonia Aleksic.
10. Chester Pacana, YTS Teacher, resignation effective November 16, 2015, (start date November 1, 2010).

b) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Teresa Pinder, District Local Assistive Technology Specialist (LATS), expenses paid project #40290F2016:
December 6-8, 2015 - RLATS duties Flagler County – Palm Coast and Bunnell
December 8-10, 2015 – Meeting with L. Grilote – ATIA Presentation, Tallahassee
December 10-12, 2015 – Meeting with Blountstown Team – ECT, Quincy and Blountstown
December 16-17, 2015 – Reaching All Learners, Tampa
2. Dr. Rosalind Hall, Director ESE / SS, November 15-17, 2015, FL Teachers Certification Examination Committee, Tallahassee, all expenses paid by FL Dept. of Education.
3. Darby Allen, CKS Principal, November 17(pm)-19, 2015, AVID FL Principal's Collaborative, West Palm Beach, AVID reimbursement project #14895.
4. Reaching All Learners Conference, December 8(pm)-9, 2015, Jacksonville, meals only paid by project #40230F2016, all other expenses paid by employee as follows: Nancy Alstodt (BES), Dawn Ford (JBES), Kaylee Mills (JBES/WES)
5. Justin Wentworth, WHS Teacher, January 11 and 12, 2016, American Football Coaches Association

(AFCA) Convention, San Antonio, TX, sub only cost to Board.

6. Dr. Rosalind Hall, Director ESE / SS, April 25-28, 2016, LRP - Legal Issues for Students With Disabilities, New Orleans, LA, all expenses paid by CASE.

c) Student Trip Request:

1. CMHS Cross Country Meeting, October 29 and 30, 2015, Lakeland, Chaperones Lynda Aldrich and Shawn Osteen, 7 students, 2 private vehicles, all expenses paid school internal account.
2. BMHS Band, May 13, 2016, Disney World and Epcot Trip, chaperones Michelle Barber, Alyssa Raykovitz, Reggie Stacey, 14 students, 2 county vans, all expenses paid school internal account.

d) Administrative Services:

1. Approval of the 2015-2016 SY School Improvement Plans (Copies of SIPs in Board Packet for each Board Member's District School(s)).
2. Approval of the 2015-2016 SY District Improvement and Assistance Plan
3. Approval of the 2015-2016 SY Multi-District Cooperative Agreement with Alachua County School Board for Special Education Transition Services for Exceptional Students.
4. Approval of the 2015-2016 SY Business Associate Cooperative Agreement, including Attachment A, with Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., to provide services for Levy County students as needed.
5. Approval for the Board to adopt the Early Learning Coalition daily payment rate schedule effective as of August 24, 2015.

e) Family Medical Leave Request:

1. Rachel Sweat, CES Teacher, October 22, 2015 through February 4, 2016.

2. FINANCE:

- a) General Fund Budget Summary as of October 2015
- b) Budget Amendments #2A and #2B
- c) 2014-2015 Annual Financial Report
- d) School Internal Accounts Audit Report as of June 2015

Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations: Superintendent Hastings said the FSA cut scores continue to be an on-going battle between District Superintendents and the Department of Education. He said letters are being written as the Superintendents express their displeasure with FSA.

Board Comments: Cameron Asbell expressed his gratitude to all Veterans in anticipation of the Veterans Holiday on Thursday. He also mentioned he had received several phone calls about the "traffic jam at BES during parent drop off and pick up times. Mr. Hastings said unfortunately, that describes most of the Elementary Schools in the county. He said he would investigate and see if a better system could be implemented at BES. Brad Etheridge said Williston FFA had done well at the National FFA Convention. He said the cook out at the WHS Football game sponsored by ACA Construction Group went well and expressed thanks to the company for contributing to community events and giving back. Rick Turner said the Veteran's Day Program at YTS was excellent. He also

challenged Chris Cowart to engage in conversation with Legislators regarding FHSAA and the 1A Rule that prohibits those schools from exempting in just one sport, such as football, without having to exempt in those sports they could be competitive in.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Robert O. Hastings, Secretary

Rick Turner, Chairman