# December 8, 2015 Administrative Office, School Board Room 6:00 p.m. REGULAR SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015 at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

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

<u>Welcome Visitors</u>: Board Paige Brookins welcomed all visitors and asked if there was anyone from the audience who wanted to address the Board, there were none.

**Public Hearing to Adopt / Amend School Board Policies:** Jeff Edison reminded the Board that this was the Public Hearing to adopt or amend the following School Board Policies presented for first reading at the October 13, 2015 Board Meeting. He then reviewed each Policy with the Board, as follows: 4.03 Grading and Reporting and 5.03 Student Attendance / Absences. After further review and discussion, Chris Cowart moved to approve the policies that were amended, seconded by Rick Turner, motion carried.

<u>Minutes:</u> Chis Cowart moved with second by Rick Turner to approve the Minutes of the November 24, 2015 Board Meeting. Motion carried.

**<u>Consent Agenda:</u>** After discussion, Chris Cowart moved with second by Cameron Asbell, 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. Jaynace Williams, District Finance Fiscal Clerk, *exiting DROP*, effective December 31, 2015, and payment for any unused sick leave.
- 2. Pamela Marshall, WES Teacher, *release from employment during probationary period* effective December 2, 2015, with payment for any unused leave.
- 3. Bruce Greenlee, Director of Transportation, effective November 30, 2015, new position Board Approved October 27, 2015.
- 4. Gary Masters, Principal, BMHS, effective December 14, 2015, replacing John Lott.
- 5. Cara Dunford, YTS Teacher, effective December 14, 2015, replacing Chester Pacana.
- 6. LeShea Curnell, BES Health Aide, effective December 1, 2015, replacing Penny Stearns.
- 7. Robert Devaren, Levy Learning Academy, ISS Aide, effective November 30, 2015, replacing Karli Bishop.
- 8. Sherry Tindale, District Secretary to the Assistant Superintendents, effective December 14, 2015, replacing Angela Hogan.

- 9. Clay Griffin, WES Teacher, *release from employment during probationary period* effective December 8, 2015.
- 10. Laura Nelson, BES Teacher, effective January 4, 2016, vacancy.
- 11. Mary Alice Heath, BES Teacher, *resignation*, effective December 31, 2015, and *transfer* of any unused leave to Gilchrist County School District.
- 12. Elisa D. Hardee, District Bus Driver, *exiting DROP*, effective December 31, 2015, and payment for any unused sick leave.
- 13. John Lott, District Assistant Superintendent, effective January 4, 2016, replacing Dr. Patrick Wnek.
- 14. Letha A. Tiner, CMHS School Bookkeeper, effective January 4, 2016, replacing Melanie Allen. (current salary to be frozen until such time as raises bring or exceed her salary to current rate), replacing Melanie Allen, exiting DROP February 28, 2016.
- 15. Lori Lott, District Personnel Secretary/Executive Secretary, effective January 4, 2016, replacing Letha A. Tiner.
- 16. Amanda Smith, District Secretary Instructional/Curriculum, effective January 4, 2016, replacing Lori Lott.

# b) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. Regina Newton, CES KG Teacher, November 17, 2015 – December 18, 2015.

#### c) Professional Leave Requests:

1. FETC Conference, January 12-15, 2016, Orlando, expenses paid from project #15322, as follows:

Tanya Taylor, WMS Teacher and Pamela White, WHS Lab Manager

- Elizabeth Kennelly-Smith, District Behavior Specialist, ESE/SS, CARD Conference and Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS) Statewide ASD Meeting, January 28-29, 2016, Orlando, all expenses reimbursed directly to employee from DOE BEESS.
- 3. Kyle Parnell, CES PE Teacher, FACA Baseball Clinic, December 10-12, 2015, Daytona, expenses paid from CMHS internal accounts, sub only cost to Board.
- Leigh Paige Mace, District SEDNET Coordinator, December 9 (pm) 11, 2015, SEDNET State Workdays, *amend to delete* Orlando, *add* Fort Lauderdale, expenses paid from SEDNET Project #40234F2016.
- 5. Teresa Pinder, District Local Assistive Technology Specialist (LATS), expenses paid from project #40290F2016:

R-LATS Duties, Palm Coast, Bunnell, January 19-21, 2016 R-LATS Training, Blountstown, FL, January 24-25, 2016

6. Dr. Rosalind Hall, Director ESE / SS, February 1-2, 2016, Coalition for Education of Exceptional

Students Legislative Training, Tallahassee, FL, and visit "On the Hill", Project #14890, all expenses reimbursed to District by CASE

7. FACA Baseball Clinic, December 10-12, 2015, Daytona, *add the following:* 

David May and Scott Hall, WHS, expenses paid from WHS internal accounts, sub only cost to Board.

- 8. John C. Wilder, WHS Teacher, FAAE Mid-Winter Conference, January 21-24, 2016, Haines City, FL., expenses paid from Project #15322.
- 9. Leigh Paige Mace, District SEDNET Coordinator, December 13 (pm) December 18, 2015, USF Tampa, expenses paid from SEDNET Project #40234F2016.

#### d) Administrative Services:

- 1. A Krayola Moment Daycare Agreement, effective September 11, 2015 June 30, 2016, expenses paid from project #13762 (Attachment #1).
- 2. YellowFolder, LLC, Contracts:
  - Service Procedures
  - Master Services Agreement
  - Proposal for Services Human Resources
  - Proposal for Services Student Records
  - Proposal for Services Administration
  - Proposal for Services ESE/SS Special Education Records
  - YellowFolder Ambassador Program
- 3. CHANGE ORDER from ACA Construction Group New WMHS:
  - Change Order #13 Construction Phase dated December 1, 2015 (Owner Direct Purchases)

# 2. FINANCE:

a) Permission to Declare Property as Surplus and Sell by On-Line Auction:

<b>Property No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Acquisition</b>	<u>Amount</u>
C – 11691	1997 Ford F150 Pickup	09 / 05	\$2,100.00

<u>Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations:</u> The Board asked when the YellowFolder process will begin and the Superintendent said after the we begin the new year. Superintendent Hastings recognized all the students from each school that participated and/or won in the Speech Speaking Contest. He read the list of students, their grades and their areas of speech. Mr. Hastings introduced John Lott as the new Assistant Superintendent and welcomed him to the District Office. He also welcomed Gary Masters as the new Principal of Bronson Middle High School and said he's moving to Levy County from Live Oak. Mr. Masters will begin on December 4, 2015. Superintendent Hastings updated the Board on the debate over school grades and said the Superintendents and Board Organizations were against giving school grades this year because due to the changes in testing, student growth can't be measured accurately. Mr. Hastings updated the Board on the funding for the new Williston Middle High School and said ACA are making great progress towards the goal of completion for Fall of 2016. Chairman Paige Brookins asked the Superintendent and Board if they could hold a

workshop before the FSBA Conference and asked Chris Cowart to be Chair of the Workshop. Superintendent Hastings said we need to recruit a speaker to present and inform the Board about what to expect at the Conference. Possible date for the workshop is 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January. Mr. Hastings talked about the new Algebra 1 Bill that DOE is trying to pass. Candy Dean informed the Board that Josh Ferrell, from YellowFolder, thanked and congratulated SBLC for being the 1<sup>st</sup> District in the state of Florida to contract with YellowFolder.

**Board Comments** : Chris Cowart said he enjoyed attending the Chairmanship class. He said it was a very positive meeting to ensure small districts were ethnically trained and up to date. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Cameron Asbell thanked all the Board Members and said he enjoyed serving with them during 2015 and is looking forward to 2016. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Brad Etheridge said the enjoyed attending the Conference, as well as Chris Cowart. He said the areas he attended were applicable to small counties and rural districts. Mr. Etheridge talked about an Apple Presentation he attended and said it will change education in the future. He congratulated Chris Cowart for obtaining his credits as a certified Board Member. Mr. Etheridge invited the Superintendent and Board Members to their Christmas Staff lunch on Thursday, in Williston. Superintendent commented that SBLC has a good Board and work together and get along well. He said other counties have major problems. When Mr. Gary Masters arrived, Superintendent Hastings introduced him and his wife, Linda, to the Board and said we are glad to have him with us. Gary Masters thanked the Board for hiring him as Principal of BMHS and said he's looking forward to working with the students and hope to be a benefit to Levy County and BMHS.

With no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Robert O. Hastings, Secretary

Paige Brookins, Chairman