

**Bronson, FL.**  
**January 12, 2021**  
**5:00 p.m.**

**Executive Session**

The School Board of Levy County Met in Executive Session this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January at 5:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Cameron Asbell, Ashley Clemenzi, Brad Etheridge, Tammy Boyle and Board Attorney David Delaney present. Paige Brookins did not attend.

**Expulsion Recommendations:** The Board heard information regarding recommendations for expulsion. After School Administrator, CMHS Assistant Principal Mickey Ebert had given testimony: the Board took the following actions.

**Student 21-10:** (student and mother were present). After discussion from the Board Members, student, parent and Administrator, Ashley Clemenzi moved to approve the recommendation for the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 SY with the opportunity to attend CMHS FOCUS Center, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

**Student 21-13:** (student (was quarantined) and father were on the phone. The Board heard testimony from BMHS Administrator Curtis Gaus concerning the student success in the FOCUS Center Program. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation to suspend his placement in the FOCUS Center and allow the student the opportunity to return to all school activities at Bronson Middle High School effective January 13, 2021. Motion Tammy Boyle, second by, Ashley Clemenzi motion carried.

**Regular Session**  
**6:00 p.m.**

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Cameron Asbell, Ashley Clemenzi, Brad Etheridge, Tammy Boyle and Board Attorney David Delaney present. Paige Brookins did not attend.

Public comments can be submitted by email to [publiccomment@levyk12.org](mailto: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.

**Adoption of Agenda:** Ashley Clemenzi 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. The board heard from Rose Zane, Suzanne Seamen and Tracy McMillan, expressing their concerns about how the ESE students were being treated at Yankee Town School.

**CMHS Construction Project Update:** John Lott Jr. Assistant Superintendent updated us on the progress that was being made at CMHS. He showed a video of the starting of the main road being constructed and the clearing and beginning of buildings 400 & 700. Mr. Lott showed us a sample of the brick that is going to be used for the outside of the buildings and explained that they matched the brick up as close as they could the brick on the exiting building that they were going to keep. He also let us know that because of doing direct purchasing we have saved approximately 130 thousand dollars to purchase other things for the school such as updating the exiting building that they are going to keep.

**Class Size Compliance (JBES, WES):** Morgan Bennett Director of Management Information Systems went over class size compliance with us. He let us know that schools not in compliance will get a fine. He also let us know that JBES Pre-K -2 and WES Pre-K-3 & 4-8 ended up out of compliance by DOE due to Model Option 2 being taught by Canvas. To correct the problem they were going to put the teachers back into the classroom. After discussion of Class Size Compliance Ashley Clemenzi moved to approve second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

**2021-2022 Master Board Certification:** Chris Cowart Superintendent of Levy County School Board asked the board if they wanted to participate in Master Board due to one new member on the board and himself being new to Superintendent.

He went on to say that, if they participate there would be two (2) live sessions with two other boards and three (3) live sessions with just them, a total of 20 hours. The board agreed to the trainings as long as all trainings are in person and not virtual. After discussion, Brad Etheridge moved to approve the 2021-2022 Master Board Certification second by Ashley Clemenzi, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes of the December 8, 2020 Board Meeting:** Ashley Clemenzi moved to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2020 Board meeting, second by Tammy Boyle, motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:** After discussion of the Agenda Ashley Clemenzi moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Tammy Boyle, motion carried.

**1. GENERAL ITEMS:**

**a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:**

1. Marsha L. Marchant, YTS Teacher, Lang. Arts, M/J, **resignation**, effective October 30, 2020, and **transfer** unused leave to Gilchrist County School District, original hire date September 21, 2020.
2. Rita A. Sweet, BMHS Custodian, **resignation** from employment to **participate in DROP**, effective January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2025.
3. **Request** approval to reclassify Michele Studstill's assignment **from** Secretary, Instructional/Curriculum to Secretary, Director, **effective** January 18, 2021.
4. **Request** approval of the **revised** job description for AVID Tutor.
5. Miriam Davis, CES Teacher Aide, ESOL, **exiting DROP early**, effective January 20, 2021, original hire date February 20, 2002.
6. Ronald Oats, JBES Custodian, **effective** December 7, 2020, **vacancy**.
7. Cheryl Moore, Transportation Bus Driver, **resignation for retirement**, effective February 1, 2021, original hire date August 15, 1996.
8. Manuel Terrell, WMHS Custodian, **resignation for retirement**, effective January 29, 2021, original hire date July 20, 2004.
9. Sandra Young, YTS Teacher, Combination Elem. **internal transfer** to Teacher Aide, ESE, and **change in funding source**, effective December 17, 2020, as follows:

<b>From:</b>	1000E 5100 0120 0111 11030	100%
<b>To:</b>	4210E 5200 0150 0111 40230 F2021	75%
	1000E 5200 0150 0111 11020	25%
10. Morgen Alderman, YTS Teacher Aide, Pre-K, **effective** December 16, 2020, paid from Project #13720, **vacancy**.
11. Christine Stephenson, CMHS Teacher Aide, ESE, **effective** December 18, 2020, paid from Project #40230 F2021, **vacancy**.
12. Richard Whittington III, WMHS Teacher, PE, S/H, **transfer** to CKS Teacher, PE, S/H, **effective** January 4, 2021.
13. Colette Kussel, BMHS Teacher, Science, S/H, **resignation**, effective December 31, 2020, original hire date February 5, 2019.
14. Teresa Miller, WMHS Teacher, ELA, S/H, **effective** January 4, 2021, **vacancy**.

15. Michael Wilson, BMHS Teacher, Voc. Business, *position change* to Substitute, *effective* January 5, 2021.
16. Rodney Thomas, BMHS Teacher Aide, ESE, *position change* to Teacher Aide, Other, *effective* January 5, 2021, and *funding change* as follows:

**From:** 4210E 5200 0150 0021 40230 F2021 100%  
**To:** 1000E 5100 0150 0021 11030 100%

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

1. **(Board approved 11/5/20)** Sandra Young, YTS Teacher, Combination, October 28 – December 31, 2020, *amend* ending date through January 15, 2021.

**c) Family Medical Leave Requests:**

1. Carol Jentsch, Transportation Bus Driver, January 4-22, 2021.
2. Marilyn Johnson, BES Teacher Aide, ESE, November 16, 2020 through February 12, 2021.

**d) Professional Leave Requests:**

1. Baseball Coaches' Clinic, December 10-11, 2020, Daytona Beach, FL., sub only cost to Board and paid from Project #11038, for the following:

**CMHS Teachers:** Charles Brock, George (Josh) Wasson and Brent Slaughter

2. Teresa Pinder, ESE/SS R-LATS Specialist, R-LATS Duties, paid from Project #40290 F2021, for the following:
  - January 6-7, 2021, Putnam County, Palatka.
  - January 11-13, 2021, Flagler County, Palm Coast and Bunnell.
3. Christopher A. Cowart, Superintendent, BODLDP Mid-Year Retreat, January 21-22, 2021, Fernandina Beach, FL., travel paid from Project #10071.
4. Tammy Boyle, Board Member, FSBA School Finance Forum, February 11-12, 2021, Howey-in-the-Hills, FL., travel paid from Project #10074.

**e) Administrative Services:**

**1. Contracts and/or Agreements:**

1. Memorandum of Understanding between the School Board of Levy County and the Levy County Education Association, Part A and Part B.
2. Revised 401(K) Plan for the School Board of Levy County.

**2. FINANCE:**

- a. General Fund Budget Summary Information and Financial Statements for December, 2020.
- b. Budget Amendments #20-00012 6B and #20-00013 6A.
- c. Surplus Property:
  1. Request permission to declare the following items as surplus, and to dispose of in the best interest of the Board.:

**Property to be removed from Inventory January 12, 2021**

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Property Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Acquisition Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b><u>BMHS</u></b>				
Bronson Middle High	C-12918	FCAT Test Maker	6/22/2010	\$1,000.00
<b><u>CMHS</u></b>				
Chiefland Middle High School	C-7306	PC W/ Monitor	2/13/1996	\$2,189.00
Chiefland Middle High School	C-8043	Computer	4/15/1997	\$1,778.00
Chiefland Middle High School	C-9402	Gateway Computer	1/14/2000	\$1,782.00
Chiefland Middle High School	C-9444	Gateway Computer	2/11/2000	\$1,110.00
Chiefland Middle High School	C-9968	Gateway Computer	2/7/2001	\$1,052.00
Chiefland Middle High School	C-10872	Dell Computer	2/13/2003	\$1,207.44
Chiefland Middle High School	C-10916	Dell Computer	3/12/2003	\$1,229.44
Chiefland Middle High School	C-10969	Dell Computer	3/14/2003	\$1,259.44
Chiefland Middle High School	C-11655	Dell Computer	8/18/2005	\$1,192.03
Chiefland Middle High School	C-11678	Lexmark Printer	11/15/2005	\$1,126.99
Chiefland Middle High School	C-12058	Laminator	10/24/2006	\$1,399.00
Chiefland Middle High School	C-12579	Dell Computer	4/16/2008	\$1,178.41
<b><u>Hilltop</u></b>				
Hilltop	C-11528	8 Port Gig Fiber	9/1/2004	\$2,699.00
Hilltop	C-11701	48 Port Switch	12/7/2005	\$3,769.99
Hilltop	C-11536	8 Port Gig Fiber	9/1/2004	\$2,699.00
Hilltop	C-11527	8 Port Gig Fiber	9/1/2004	\$2,699.00
Hilltop	C-11535	8 Port Gig Fiber	9/1/2004	\$2,699.00
Hilltop	C-10740	24 Port Switch	10/16/2002	\$1,422.00
Hilltop	C-10739	48 Port Switch	10/16/2002	\$2,501.00
Hilltop	C-10746	Switch 3 Com W/1 Port 1000 SXAC	10/16/2002	\$1,422.00
Hilltop	C-10745	Switch 3 Com W/1 Port 1000 SXAC	10/16/2002	\$1,422.00
Hilltop	C-10349	16 Port Switch	8/15/2001	\$2,550.00
Hilltop	C-11875	Dell Laptop	4/24/2006	\$2,141.74
Hilltop	C-11529	8 Port Gig Fiber	9/1/2004	\$2,699.00
<b><u>WES</u></b>				
Williston Elementary	C-11532	8 Port Gig Fiber	9/1/2004	\$2,699.00
<b><u>District Office</u></b>				
District Office	C-9770	Switch W/3 SMFX Modules	7/18/2000	\$1,203.86

District Office	C-9766	Switch W/4 SMF Modules	7/18/2000	\$1,355.99
District Office	C-9758	Switch W/4 SMFX Modules	7/18/2000	\$1,355.99
District Office	C-9759	Switch W/4 SMFX Modules	7/18/2000	\$1,355.99
District Office	C-8971	Modular Switch W/2 Modules	4/19/1999	\$1,029.47
District Office	C-9765	Switch W/ SMF Modules	7/18/2000	\$1,355.99
District Office	C-10619	22 Port Switch	8/22/2002	\$1,120.00
District Office	C-10889	16 Port Switch	2/12/2003	\$2,001.99
District Office	C-10083	6 Port Fiber Switch	2/20/2001	\$2,307.72
District Office	C-10348	Switch	8/10/2001	\$2,901.52
District Office	C-10297	16 Port Switch	8/17/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-10084	16 Port Switch	2/20/2001	\$2,307.72
District Office	C-10296	16 Port Switch	8/17/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-9691	Gateway Computer	5/8/2000	\$1,045.00
District Office	C-10229	16 Port Switch	5/8/2001	\$2,639.00
District Office	C-8919	Gateway Computer	3/29/1999	\$1,709.00
District Office	C-9242	Assessment Software	8/25/1999	\$2,200.00
District Office	C-9243	Assessment Software	8/25/1999	\$2,200.00
District Office	C-9244	Assessment Software	8/25/1999	\$2,200.00
District Office	C-9246	Assessment Software	8/25/1999	\$2,250.00
District Office	C-12193	Dell Laptop	5/1/2007	\$1,685.70
District Office	C-9771	Switch 2/3 SMFX Module	7/18/2000	\$1,195.99
District Office	C-8973	Modular Switch W/2 Modules	4/19/1999	\$1,029.46
District Office	C-10351	Switch	8/15/2001	\$2,649.58
District Office	C-10172	16 Port Switch	3/27/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-10085	16 Port Fiber Switch	2/20/2001	\$2,307.71
District Office	C-10403	16 Port Switch	10/10/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-10402	16 Port Switch	10/10/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-10401	16 Port Switch	10/10/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-10406	16 Port Switch	10/10/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-10405	16 Port Switch	10/10/2001	\$2,300.00
District Office	C-10350	16 Port Switch	8/15/2001	\$2,649.31
District Office	C-10302	Switch	8/17/2001	\$1,430.00
District Office	C-10299	Switch	8/17/2001	\$1,430.00
District Office	C-10086	22 Port Switch	2/20/2001	\$1,036.31
District Office	C-10298	Switch	8/17/2000	\$1,430.00

District Office	C-10301	Switch	8/17/2001	\$1,430.00
District Office	C-10404	22 Port Switch	10/10/2001	\$1,150.00
District Office	C-10620	22 Port Switch	8/22/2002	\$1,120.00
District Office	C-10733	Switch	10/11/2002	\$1,621.75
District Office	C-10811	Ethernet Switch	11/21/2002	\$2,296.60
District Office	C-10736	Switch	10/11/2002	\$1,621.75
District Office	C-10821	Ethernet Switch	11/21/2002	\$2,296.60
District Office	C-10819	Ethernet Switch	11/21/2002	\$2,296.60
District Office	C-10810	Ethernet Switch	11/21/2002	\$2,296.60
District Office	C-10735	Switch	10/11/2002	\$1,621.75
District Office	C-10815	Ethernet Switch	11/21/2002	\$2,296.60
District Office	C-11544	Cisco Router	7/1/2004	\$3,500.00
District Office	C-11615	Scanner	5/12/2005	\$4,637.00
District Office	C-9848	Switch	9/7/2000	\$2,054.27
District Office	C-8933	Server (Universal)	4/14/1999	\$7,446.47
District Office	C-8022	Router	4/9/1997	\$3,181.75
District Office	C-8078	Router	6/16/1997	\$3,636.75
District Office	C-7830	Router	12/10/1996	\$3,376.75
District Office	C-8021	Router	4/9/1997	\$3,181.75
District Office	C-7831	Router	12/10/1996	\$3,376.75
District Office	C-8071	Router	6/16/1997	\$3,636.75
District Office	C-8019	Router	4/9/1997	\$3,181.75
District Office	C-7833	Router	12/10/1996	\$3,376.75
District Office	C-8018	Router	4/9/1997	\$3,181.75
District Office	C-7832	Router	12/10/1996	\$3,376.75
District Office	C-7969	Tape Storage	4/10/1997	\$2,108.00
District Office	C-4734	DSU/CSU Controller Cisco PIX Chassis	3/1/1993	\$5,582.90
District Office	C-11693	Failover Bundle	10/7/2005	\$2,289.00
District Office	C-10802	Router	11/21/2002	\$4,880.60
District Office	C-10816	Router	11/21/2002	\$4,880.60
District Office	C-10808	Router	11/21/2002	\$4,880.60
District Office	C-10812	Router	11/21/2002	\$4,880.60
District Office	C-10798	Router	11/21/2002	\$4,880.60
District Office	C-11147	Router	11/4/2003	\$2,477.00
District Office	C-11695	Cisco Router	10/10/2005	\$15,997.44
District Office	C-12831	Port Switch	2/4/2010	\$1,699.99
District Office	C-11531	8 Port GIG Fiber	9/1/2004	\$2,699.00

**CKS**

Cedar Key	C-12134	Switch	3/15/2007	\$1,000.00
Cedar Key	C-12135	Switch	3/15/2007	\$1,000.00

**CES**

Chiefland Elementary	C-10228	16 Port Switch	8/5/2001	\$2,299.00
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**WMHS**

Williston Middle High	C-12532	Dell Computer	4/16/2008	\$1,178.41
Williston Middle High	C-11169	Dell Laptop	1/6/2004	\$2,065.76
Williston Middle High	C-9886	Ethernet Router	11/21/2000	\$3,940.60
Williston Middle High	C-9905	Switch	11/21/2000	\$2,150.60
Williston Middle High	C-12412	Switch	11/30/2007	\$1,999.99
Williston Middle High	C-12411	Switch	11/30/2007	\$1,999.99

**YTS**

Yankeetown	C-11829	Dell Computer	11/14/2005	\$1,161.48
Yankeetown	C-11830	Dell Computer	11/14/2005	\$1,161.48

**Transportation**

Transportation	C-11654	Dell Laptop	8/18/2005	\$1,503.11
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**WWCS**

Whispering Winds	C-8020	Router	4/7/1997	\$3,181.75
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**TOTAL**

\$269,801.77

**Superintendent Comments:** Superintendent Chris Cowart said Heather Rawlings is doing a good job working on ELA textbook adoption and professional development. Superintendent Cowart asked Melissa Lewis about Camy Day, she said that 70 teachers chose to participate one hour of their own time to implement DPF files and give teacher feedback. They recorded these for other teachers to see that were not able to attend. Superintendent Cowart thanked Mr. Lott Jr. for doing a great job heading up the New Construction project at CHMS. He also thanked Breezy, Tallahassee, and Parrish McCall for all of their hard work. Mr. Cowart went on to say that, he had visited YTS on Friday and went to all the classrooms to observe. He announced that the Williston High School basketball team had beaten 4A ranked Ruth Raines and are now ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in state basketball. Lastly, Superintendent Cowart let everyone know that the Beast Feast would be on February 6, and he thanked Brad Etheridge for allowing us to have the event at his place.

**Board Comments:** Ashley Clemenzi said that she had went down to YTS this week and popped into some of the classrooms to observe. She said kudos to the administration and staff for going back to the brick and mortar school. Brad Etheridge said he was glad that the schools were back in session and that he hoped everyone had a great break. He encouraged everyone to pray for our county and school system. Tammy Boyle let us know that CKS has gotten a new SRO Mr. Rogers. She let everyone know that CKS homecoming was January 19-22. Tammy also asked that everyone keep Charlotte Yearty and her family in their prayers. Cameron Asbell said that he was glad that the 2020 year was behind us and asked everyone to pray for the 2021 year.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Christopher A. Cowart, Secretary

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Cameron Asbell, Board Chairman