# Bronson, Florida September 4, 2012 6:00 p.m. REGULAR SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 4<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Paige Brookins, Cameron Asbell, Beth Davis, Robert Philpot, Rick Turner and Board Attorney Sheree Lancaster present.

Public Hearing - Adoption of the Final 2012-2013 Millage and Budget

Board that this was the second and final hearing of the two required public hearings to be held concerning the millage and budget for the 2012-2013 school year, stating that the purpose of the hearing was to adopt the final millage and final budget and to provide the public the opportunity to offer input. After further discussion, the Board took the following action. (See Supplemental Minutes)

1) Beth Davis moved to approve the final millage rates as follows and adopt the resolution.

Required local effort	5.047
Basic Discretionary	0.748
Capital Outlay	<u>1.500</u>

Total Millage 7.295

The total millage reflects a negative change (-12.71%) of the current year's total proposed rate as a percent change of the rolled-back rate as found on line 22 of the schools taxable value. Cameron Asbell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2) Motion by Beth Davis, second by Robert Philpot, to approve the final budget and adopt the resolution to adopt the final budget. Motion carried.

#### **District Reports**

**State FFA Awards Recognition:** Carol Jones presented the 2012 State FFA Convention winners from Levy County for recognition by the Board. Individual and Team winners were as follows:

BHS – Sara Trim State Area II Vice President and JR Trimm State Star Greenhand Degree;

CKS - Taylor Davison, Chevenne Clanton, MacKenzie Kirkbride, Emilie Lavoie-

Ingram 1<sup>st</sup> Place Aquaculture CDE Middle School Team and Ashlyn Allen and MacKenzie Kirkbride 1<sup>st</sup> Place Ornamental Horticulture Demo Marketing Team;

CMS – Kinsey Ward State Star Discovery Degree;

CHS – Sydney Stephens Agriscience Fair Division Winner;

WMS – Brett Bergdoll, Conner Edwards, Hunter Cason, and Robbie Sistrunk 1<sup>st</sup> Place Meat Judging Team Middle School (Robbie Sistrunk high individual State Meat Judging);

WHS – Michael Holder \$500.00 Scholarship FL FFA Association.

A short reception was held for all the Advisors, winners and their families.

**Florida Rural Turnaround Leadership Project**: Morgan Bennett, Assistant Principal at Bronson Middle High School, presented information on the FL Rural Turnaround Leadership Project and how it is being implemented at BMHS. The Board has been invited by Evan Lefsky of PublicConsultingGroup to attend 2 separate trainings or Workshops in December 2012 and April 2013 to provide structured opportunities to engage them in the Project and the Strategic Turnaround Plan. Chairman The Board thanked Mr. Bennett for the presentation.

**Comprehensive Student Progression Plan**: Patrick Wnek reviewed changes for the 2012-2013 CSPP with the Board. After discussion, Rick Turner moved to approve the 2012-2013 Comprehensive Student Progression Plan as revised, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried.

Minutes: Beth Davis moved with second by Robert Philpot to approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2012 Board meeting as submitted with the Board Agenda. Motion carried.

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved with second by Robert Philpot, 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:

- 1. Donna D. Turner, District Coordinator of Benefits and Risk Management, resignation from employment to **participate in DROP**, beginning December 1, 2012, and ending November 30, 2017.
- 2. Leigh P. Halberstadt, WES ESE Teacher, *transfer* to District TSA / SEDNET Coordinator, effective September 4, 2012, replacing Patrice McCully.
- 3. The following status funding change:

CMS – Jennifer Raulerson	From:	4210E 5100 0120 0053 40241F2013	50%
Effective October 1, 2012		4210E 5100 0120 0053 402249F2012	50%
	To:	4210E 5100 0120 0053 40241F2013	50%
		1000E 5100 0120 0053 11030	50%
CMS – Charles F. (Chad) Brock	From:	1000E 5100 0120 0053 11030	100%
Effective Aug. 13, 2012	To:	1000E 5100 0120 0053 11030	50%
		4210E 5100 0120 0053 40241F2013	50%
CMS – Stephanie Parks	From:	1000E 5200 0120 0053 11030	50%
Effective August 13, 2012		4210E 5200 0120 0053 40241F2013	50%
	To:	1000E 5100 0120 0053 11030	100%

4. Dale Loomis, CES ESE Teacher Aide, *increase hours worked* from 4.0 hours per day to 4.5 hours per day, effective August 20, 2012.

## b) Illness-In-The-Line-Of-Duty Leave Request:

1. Heather Darus, CMS Teacher, August 24, 2012 (3.5 hours).

## c) Family Medical Leave Request:

1. Zena Baker, District Bus Driver, August 20 through September 12, 2012.

## d) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Dr. Patrick Wnek, District Director of Curriculum, Principals John Lott(BMHS) and Eulin Gibbs(WHS), Assistant Principal Dennis Webber(CHS) and Guidance Counselor Barbara Moosman(WMS), September 18 and 19, 2012, FL Partnership Leadership Training, Jacksonville, paid by College Board Partnership, no cost to Board.

- 2. Dr. Rosalind Hall, District Director of ESE and Student Services, October 25-28, 2012, Caring for Exceptional Children Conference, Jupiter, paid from project #40230F2013.
- 3. Rebecca Tyson, District Food Service Coordinator, October 2-4, 2012, FSNA/FASBO 2012 Industry Seminar, Naples, paid from project #41000.
- 4. Deborah Lamb, District Speech/Language Teacher, November 14 17, 2012, Annual American Speech/Language/Hearing Association National Convention, Atlanta, GA, no cost to Board.
- 5. David Mitchell, CHS Teacher, June 25 29, 2012, AP Summer Institute, Bolle School, Jacksonville, paid by College Board Partnership, no cost to Board.

#### e) Student Trip Requests:

1. State FFA Chapter Presidents' Conference, September 8 and 9, 2012, Daytona Beach, advisors will chaperone female / male students as needed within Levy County Chapters, and their expenses paid from project #15300, all other expenses paid internal account:

BMHS	Jennifer Bray, 4 students, county van
CKS	Dennis Voyles and Karen Voyles, 4 students, private vehicle
CHS	Dallas Locke, 2 students, private vehicle
WHS	Chris Wilder, Ben Randolph, Shannon Etheridge, 6 students, county van

- 2. Alice Graham, CHS Health Occupations Teacher, November 16-18, 2012, HOSA Leadership Conference, Camp Kulaqua High Springs, 7 students, county van, advisor expenses paid project #15300, all other expenses paid internal account.
- 3. WES 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to St. Augustine, November 9, 2012, Teachers Tina Roberts, Kathy Clemons, Joelene Vining, Teri Dixon, Lita Halchak, Nancy Priest, Tracy Kirby, 154 students, commercial carrier BUS, all expenses paid internal account, no cost to Board.

## f) Instructional Services:

- 1. Contracts and/or Agreements:
  - a. Agreements with the following organizations to provide Supplemental Education Services for 2012-2013 SY (all contracts the same as previously approved by Board):
    - aa. FL Virtual School
    - bb. Alternatives Unlimited
    - cc. A Stepping Stone to Excellence
    - dd. Sylvan Learning Centers of Ocala and Gainesville
    - ee. Twister Tutors
    - ff. Rocket Learning
    - gg. Beacademic Educational Services
  - b. Agreement with University of Florida Behavior Clinic to provide behavior-related services for Levy County students during the 2012-2013 school year, paid 50% from IDEA Part B project #40230F2013 and 50% from SEDNET project #40233F2013.

#### g) Recommendations:

- 1. Cassandra Webster, District Bus Driver, effective August 20, 2012, replacing Peggy Crews.
- 2. Mercedes Nix, BES ESOL Aide, effective August 22, 2012, vacancy.
- 3. Andrew Magwood, CHS Welding Teacher, 4.0 hours per day, effective August 27, 2012 replacing Steve H. Senters, Jr.
- 4. Marguerite P. Gandy, WHS Teacher, effective August 22, 2012, replacing Marie Wilbur.
- 5. For the 2012-2013 school year, establish a Non-Instructional OPS Position at Williston Elementary School to work with lower quartile students in the Fast ForWord Lab, effective September 5, 2012, for 5.0 hours per day not to exceed 545 hours total as indicated by timecards, paid from project #40241F2013, with the appointment of Latisha Geiger to the position.
- 6. For the 2012-2013 school year, establish an Instructional OPS Position at Bronson Elementary School, effective September 6, 2012, for 4.0 hours per day not to exceed 240 hours total as indicated by timecards, paid from project #40241F2013, with the appointment of John A. Costa to the position.
- 7. For the 2012-2013 school year, establish a CDE student position at CES, effective September 5, 2012, and the appointment of Jonathan Sherman Thomas Benge to fill the position.
- 8. For the 2012-2013 school year, establish a CDE student position at BMHS, to maintain the school website, effective September 1, 2012 through the end of the school year, and the appointment of Abby Fallender and Kelsy Russell working one period each as indicated by time cards, to fill the position.
- 9. For the 2012-2013 school year, establish a CDE student position at BES, effective August 27, 2012, and the appointment of Justin D. Godkin to fill the position.
- 10. For the 2012-2013 school year, establish a CDE student position at WES, effective August 21, 2012, and the appointment of Edwana M. Robinson to fill the position.
- 11. Franklyn Martin, YTS temporary replacement Teacher Aide, effective September 5, 2012, replacing Cruselle Loy Woodward.

## **FINANCE:**

- a) General Fund Budget Summary for August 2012
- b) Budget Amendments #18A and #18B as of June 30, 2012
- c) Approval of the Annual Financial Report for FYE 2011-12 with supporting schedules and notes, and the Annual School District Program Cost Report for 2011-12. All originals to be submitted to the Department of Education, Office of Funding and Financial Reporting, by September 11, 2012. Copies will be available at the Board Meeting for review by Board Members.

Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations: Superintendent Hastings asked Bob Clemons to explain the Financial Report for FYE 2011-12 to the Board. Mr. Clemons said with a 1.5 million dollar reduction this year, meeting payroll will be challenging. With Class Size Reduction requirements it will be very difficult and the District cannot continue to "spend" more money than it takes in. The general fund balance "rainy day" funds have not been built back up as in previous years. Mr. Hastings told the Board with Board Attorney Sheree Lancaster winning the Judge race in Gilchrist County, he will begin the process for selecting a new Board Attorney, advertising for applications during September, then bringing the applications to the Board for selecting which firms they want to interview. He hopes to have a contract with the new Attorney by the second Board meeting in October so they can "shadow" Sheree for a few Board meetings. Board Attorney Lancaster agreed that the Board is not legally required to advertise for School Board Attorney, but it would be a great way to get applications.

**Board Comments:** Paige Brookins reminded everyone about the Levy County Schools Foundation "Beast Feast" September 29<sup>th</sup> at the Black Prong Equestrian Center. She also informed the Board that the WHS Homecoming Parade will be in October and their student counsel has asked if the Board would like to be in the parade. She said the deadline is to enter is October 12 and they could let her know.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.				
ATTEST:	APPROVED:			
Robert O. Hastings, Secretary Superintendent	Paige Brookins, Chairman			