

**Administrative Office, School Board Room
Bronson, FL
October 11, 2016
5:20 p.m.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Executive Session this 11th day of October, 2016 at 5:20 p.m. with Board Chair Paige Brookins, Vice Chair Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, and Attorney David Delaney present.

Expulsion Hearing: Student 17-02, neither parents nor respondent attended. Student 17-03, the father and respondent attended.

Student 17-02. The Board reviewed information regarding Student 17-02, who was expelled on September 22, 2016. After discussion, the Board said no action needed to be taken and the original motion remained in effect to expel the student for the remainder of the 2016-2017 SY and the 2017-2018 SY. Motion carried.

Student 17-03. The Board reviewed information regarding Student 17-03, who was expelled on September 29, 2016. After discussion, the Board said to expel the student for the remainder of the 2016-2017 SY and for him to be enrolled in LLA on October 12, 2016, with a drug test done every thirty days. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION 6:00 p.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 11th day of October, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chair Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

Adoption of Agenda: Chris Cowart moved to approve, second by, Cameron Asbell Motion carried.

Welcome Visitors: Board Chairman Paige Brookins welcomes all visitors and asked if there was anyone from the audience who wanted to address the Board.

WMHS Presentation: Lindsay Legler principal of WMHS came up and introduced Tanya Taylor one of her teachers at WMHS. Tanya Taylor the AVID teacher at WMHS let us know that she had two students with her that were going to talk about the AVID program at their school. She then introduced Haven Beauchamp and Hailey White. They let us know that AVID stood for Advancement Via Individual Determination. They then passed around a note book that they all carry to help keep them organized. It contained writing utensils, paper, and dividers etc., everything they need for all of their classes. They spoke about Cornell notes and how they helped in all of their classes to keep them organized and to help them study. They went on to show a slide show of different things they have done and the colleges and places that they have gone. They explained all the ways that this program helps them to succeed in their classrooms as well as in the real world. They said that they were very proud to be a part of the AVID program and encouraged other students to join.

National Transportation Week (10/17-21/2016): Joe Wain was introduced to present his slide show letting us know that there was one Wednesday in March every year that the busses video how many cars illegally pass them and he gave statistics. He then went on to say that their was a law passed that any

school busses that are purchased after 2001 have to be equipped with seat belts. Joe went on to say that he and Bruce Greenlee got together and had their bus drivers do some safety exercises. They taught them how to cut a seatbelt and they all now have a cutter with them. They showed them how to use a fire extinguisher, what to do in a smoked filled bus, a triage exercise, roof hatch emergency exit, and drunk goggles exercise. He went on to say that the bus drivers thanked them and said that they really enjoyed learning and interacting with each as a team.

Disability History Awareness Weeks: Dr. Hall came up and introduced Rhonda Stephens a V.E. teacher for self contained students at BES to speak to us about what is going on in her classroom. She let us know that she is very compassionate about her students and helping them to succeed in what they want to become. Rhonda had a slide show she had made with her students letting us know what they wanted to be when they grew up. She encourages them to go for their goals and that they can achieve it even with a disability if they apply themselves. Rhonda let us know that she is introducing an new program into her class room called Curriculum – Unique program in hopes that it will work well with her students. She let us know that she focuses on their abilities not their disabilities.

Dr. Hall then introduced Teri Jones a teacher from CES who has been teaching students with disabilities her whole career. Teri also had a slide show to share with us. She spoke about being very compassionate about her students and helping them to reach their potential. She spoke about inclusive education and how they co-teach with mainstream classes. It allows two teachers to be teaching in a classroom so that if a student or group of students need group or individual help they can get it. It also teaches the students to work with each other and help each other out. Teri's slide show was what the students with disabilities had to say about their learning. One student said if he was allowed to rock in his chair that he could learn better, another said that just because he was not looking at you when you spoke to him didn't mean that he was not listening. There were several more things that the students said that would help them to do their work. Teri explained that sometimes it can be a very simple accommodation to help these students to learn. Dr. Hall then came up and spoke about handicap students and how in 2007 the Pell Grant and the FCAT waiver were established for them. In 2011 EOC's came about and were for all students including disabled students. In 2014 the Senate bill 850 took away the Special Diploma. She then spoke about the Senate Bill 672 Post secondary Comprehensive transition Program Act. She said that some Universities now have College and Career programs for the disabled students. Dr. Hall thanked Rhonda and Teri for coming and let them know that they had very powerful presentations. She then asked the board to vote on the Resolution, The first two weeks in October, 2016 be designated as "Disability History and Awareness" weeks by the Florida State Legislature. Cameron Asbell moved to approve the Resolution, second by Brad Etheridge.

Approval of Minutes: Cameron Asbell moved to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2016 Board Meeting, second by Brad Etheridge Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Brad Etheridge moved to approve the following items on the consent agenda with changes as recommended by the Superintendent, second by Cameron Asbell. Rick Turner did not approve. Motion carried.

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Robert B. Clemons, DO, Director of Finance, *resignation for retirement*, effective December 31, 2016, original hire date March 1, 1993.

2. Susan Owens, CES, Teacher Elementary 1st Grade, effective October 5, 2016, *replacing* Regina Newton.
3. Kaylee Spina, CES, Teacher Elementary KG, effective September 28, 2016, *replacing* Louvenia Robinson-Sloan.
4. Kimberly Stevens, OPS AVID Tutor, BMHS, *effective* September 3, 2016, 4 Hours per day not to exceed 20 Hours per week, paid from project #14897.
5. Jasmine Parker, OPS AVID Tutor, BMHS, *effective* September 3, 2016, 4 Hours per day not to exceed 20 Hours per week, paid from project #14897.
6. Cris Beckham, BMHS, Teacher, *resignation*, effective September 29, 2016, original hire date September 23, 2016.
7. Kayla Noel, Transportation, Bus Driver, effective October 04, 2016, *replacing* Linda Leonard-Eads.
8. Wayne Weatherford, CES, ESE Teacher Aide, effective October 06, 2016, *replacing* Lori Gabel.
9. Charles K. Trivette, BMHS, Teacher, P.E., effective October 11, 2016, *replacing* James Smith Jr.
10. Robyn Leynes, BES, Teacher, 2nd grade, effective October 7, 2016, *dismissed* during probation.
11. Candace Valentine, BES, Teacher, 2nd grade, (out of field in Elementary Ed), *transferring* from YTS, effective October 10, 2016, replacing Robyn Leynes.

b) Illness-in Line-of-Duty:

1. Angela Sprawling, CMHS Teacher's Aide, September 22-28, 2016.

c) Family Medical Leave:

1. Megan Wood, YTS, Teacher, Pre-K Lead, FMLA leave November 30, 2016 through March 9, 2017.

d) Professional Leave Request:

1. Ronald Perez, DO, Technology, E-Rate (USAC) Regional Training, October 5-6, 2016, Orlando, FL., (Hotel and Meals) will be paid for from project #10140.
2. I-Ready Summit, October 12-13, 2016, Jacksonville, FL., (Hotel, mileage, meals and substitute) will be paid from project # 40220 F2017.

District :	Michael Homan
CES:	Amy Webber, Lacy A. Redd, Dorie Hardee
CKS:	Kathryn M. Lawrence

3. Dr. Rosalind Hall, DO, Director of ESE, APSE – People Supporting Employment First for Students with Disabilities, October 12-13, 2016, Orlando, FL., (Hotel, mileage and meals) will be paid from project # 40230 F2017.
4. Florida Reading Association Conference, October 20-23, 2016, Orlando, FL., (Hotel, registration fee, mileage, meals and substitute) will be paid from project # 11332.

District Office: Carol Jones
 JBES: Monica Cooper, Patricia Coleman
 WES: Brittany Gainey, Emily Kinnunen
 CMS: Michelle Brady

5. Kelly Varnes, BMHS, Teacher, Sunbelt AG Expo, October 18, 2016, Moultrie, GA., no cost to Board.
6. Frances Michelle Walker-Crawford, CMHS, Teacher, National FFA Convention, October 19- 22, 2016, Indianapolis, IN., (Hotel, registration fee, mileage, meals and substitute) Paid from project #15300.
7. Scarlet McGowan, WMHS, Secretary, National FFA Convention, October 16-22, 2016, Indianapolis, IN., no cost to Board.
8. Kalee Wade, District Office, NEFEC Risk Management Conference, November 3-4, 2016, St. Augustine, FL, (Hotel, meals and mileage) paid from Project #17730.
9. Emily Hancock, WES Assistant Principal, North Florida I-Ready User Summit Fall 2016, October 12-13, 2016, Jacksonville, FL., (Hotel, registration fee, mileage, meals and substitute) paid from project #40220 F2017.
10. Sherry Hallman, CMHS Teacher, WIDA Standards Training, October 31, 2016 – November 3, 2016, Deland, FL., (Hotel, registration fee, mileage, meals and substitute) Paid from project #40220 F2017.
11. Amber Philpot, WMHS, Teacher, North Florida I-Ready Summit, October 12-13, 2016, Jacksonville, FL., paid from Project # 40220 F2017.
12. Timothy McCarthy, WMHS, Assistant Principal, North Florida I-Ready Summit, October 12-13, 2016, Jacksonville, FL., paid from Project # 40220 F2017.
13. WMHS, Football Game, October 14, 2016, returning October 15, 2016 at 1:00 a.m. Holmes County High School, bus expenses paid from Football Booster Club.

WMHS: Richard Whittington, Justin Wentworth and David May

e) **Student Trip Requests:**

1. CMHS HOSA, Leadership Conference, Camp Kulaqua, High Springs, FL., November 18-20, 2016, Chaperone Raquel Beauchamp, 7 Students and county van, expenses paid from project #15322.

f) **Administrative Services:**

1. Contracts and / or Agreements

- a. Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., School Staffing Agreement (Attachment #1)
- b. Adoption of Resolution the first two weeks of October 2016 as Disability History and Awareness Weeks and affirms the local, state, and federal commitment to full inclusion and equal opportunity for all students with disabilities. (Attachment # 2)

2. **FINANCE:**

- a) General Fund Budget Summary Information as of September 2016.
- b) Budget Amendments 1A and 1B.
- c) Permission to Declare Property as Surplus and Sell by On-Line Auction

<u>Property No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Acquisition</u>	<u>Amount</u>
C – 10888	2003 Chevrolet G35 Cargo van	02/03	\$21,544.81

Superintendent’s Comments / Recommendations: Mr. Hastings let everyone know that Judge Browning would be here on November 22, 2016 at 9:00 to swear into office the three board members and Mr. Edison as the new Superintendent. He then spoke about make up days due to the bad weather. Mr. Edison said they were looking at maybe taking some teacher work days in December, March and April. Mr. Hastings then let us know that Ms. Handlin had won a drawing to shadow the commissioner, and that he would like her to come and share her experience with us. He then went on to say that Mr. Delaney had been working hard on getting the deed straightened out and was setting up a for the old WHS to be surveyed so that we could put it up for sale. He let everyone know that Angela was back in the hospital and asked that we all continue to keep her in our prayers. Mr. Hastings said that the Beast Feast was a huge success and that the profit net income was over fifteen thousand dollars, that would be going back into the schools classrooms and for scholarships.

Board Comments: Rick Turner asked if we could get with the schools and have them all use the same print outs for the information on students that were being expelled so that they would all be readable. He also asked if we would be hiring AVID tutors for the other schools in the district. He was told that the schools are still in the process of doing that. He asked why the TYS did not have any teachers going to the Reading Association Conference. Cameron Asbell congratulated the Bronson Football team for winning their game over Wildwood. Cameron had heard that a couple of teachers had said some negative things about the football team not winning games and was really disappointed about that. He let everyone know that the next game was October 21st and invited us all to come out and support the team. Cameron was very moved with the presentations that the two teachers gave on disabled students. He spoke about how students with disabilities have accommodations on school tests, but not when it comes to state testing they do not. He would like that to be changed. He also let everyone know that on November 17th the schools would have their Thanksgiving lunch, and he encouraged us all to go and eat lunch with the students. Chris Cowart asked why we had a contract with Health Services nursing service and was told that we have a student who would be attending our schools who needed nursing services while they were at school. Chris let everyone know that he had made a visit to JBES 1st grade class of Patty Coleman and that the students were doing very well interacting in her class and asking questions. Kudos out the

teachers at JBES. He also commented on the Beast Feast being a success. Chris let us all know that the teachers would like to make up the days for the storms using early release days. He then let everyone know that he would be going to Clearwater for a State Legislator meeting on October 22, 2016. Paige Brookins said that she hated to see Bob Clemons retire and that we would all miss him. Mr. Hastings agreed he will surely be missed. She went on to say that the board members wanted to go to the Master Board Training this year and asked if we would make reservations for the board.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Robert O. Hastings, Secretary

Paige Brookins, Chairman