

Bronson, FL
May 9, 2017
5:40 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Executive Session this 9th day of May, 2017 at 5:40 p.m. with Board Chairman Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins, and Board Attorney David Delaney, present.

Expulsion Hearings: The Board heard information regarding recommendation for expulsion. After the School Administrator Dennis Webber had given testimony, the following actions were taken by the Board.

Student 17-24 (parent and student were not present): After discussion from the Board Members, Brad Etheridge moved with second by Cameron Asbell to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2016-2017 SY and 2017-2018 SY, without educational services. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION 6:00 p.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 9th day of May, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. with Board Chairman Chris Cowart, Cameron Asbell, Brad Etheridge, Rick Turner, Paige Brookins and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

Adoption of Agenda: Paige Brookins moved to approve the agenda, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried.

Welcome Visitors: Board Chairman Chris Cowart welcomed all the visitors and asked if anyone from the audience who would like to address the Board. There were none.

Alternative School Plan: Superintendent Jeff Edison informed the Board that a team has been created consisting of the District Instructional Team, Principals, and Staff, to develop an alternative school plan for students with disciplinary issues, in place of Levy Learning Academy. He said the new plan will be created in the best interest of the students. Mr. Edison said the new provisions will be consistent with our Mission Statement, *“Our mission is to educate all students in a safe environment and to graduate them ready for college and career success”*. He told the Board that discipline comes from the federal level, and the goal is to reduce OSS rates and save more students. Assistant Superintendent John Lott explained the process and plan to the Board. He said centers will be created at each of the school locations and the new transition will be effective beginning with the 2017-2018 SY. Principals will have the flexibility to place students in the centers, as needed, before situations become escalated. He said the centers will be staffed by core teachers at that school, plus two full-time aides. Mr. Lott said the personnel currently at LLA will be transferred throughout the District. Gary Masters, Principal of BMHS said the new plan would be very beneficial to the schools. He said disruptive students can be removed immediately, so other students can continue their educational learning. Paige Brookins said the new plan would allow Principals to handle discipline issues sooner rather than waiting for the student to come before the Board. Brad Etheridge said discipline for the students needs to improve. He said with the current process, they see students after they have excessive referrals. Dennis Webber said leadership and management will be essential at their home school, for students with discipline issues. He said he supports the change for the District. After discussion, Brad Etheridge moved to approve for the SBLC to develop a new Alternative School Plan, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

Safe Schools (OPPAGA) Report: Assistant Superintendent John Lott updated the Board on the OPPAGA Report, which was a Team Report. He talked about five suggestions that the District will be working on to improve school safety. He said construction of future new schools will be designed with limited entrances to

ensure safety. After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved to approve the Safe School (OPPAGA) Report, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

Approval of Job Description – “Teacher on Special Assignment – Blended Learning Lab Teacher”:

Assistant Superintendent Candy Dean talked about the new job description and said the teacher will provide services to students using Edgenuity. She said one of the requirements would be that the teacher(s) would travel from one high school to another, and would need three years of training in the specific area. Ms. Dean said there would be a teacher for the four areas of study; math, English, science and social studies. She said 51% of instruction will be computerized. After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved to approve the Job Description for Teacher on Special Assignment – Blended Learning Lab Teacher, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Rick Turner moved and second by Cameron Asbell to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2017 Board meeting. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Brad Etheridge, motion carried.

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. **(Previously Board Approved April 25, 2017) – Amend hours** - Marjorie Carswell, BES Custodian (**8-hour position**), *transfer* to WES Custodian, (**6-hour position**), *effective* April 24, 2017.
2. Sharon C. Ingram, Transportation Bus Driver, *resignation for retirement*, effective May 26, 2017, original hire date December 5, 1983.
3. Nancy Gibson, CMHS Head Custodian, *resignation for retirement*, effective May 31, 2017, and *payment for any unused leave*, original hire date February 6, 2012.
4. Request approval of the 2017-2018 Payroll Period Schedules for Instructional, ESP, 12 Month Employees and the FY 2018 Calendars. (Attachment)
5. **(Board Approved August 4, 2014)** - Patti Mikell, WMS Teacher, resignation from employment to *participate in DROP*, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2019 (*amend ending date to May 31, 2017*).
6. Rita A. Sweet, BMHS Custodian, *resignation*, effective May 5, 2017, and *payment for any unused leave*, original hire date February 23, 2010.
7. Allen Strickland, BMHS Teacher, Math, *transfer* to CES Teacher, PE, *effective* August 3, 2017, *replacing* Kyle Parnell, and *funding change* as follows:

From:	1000E 5100 0120 0021 11030	40%
	1000E 5300 0120 0021 11030	60%
To:	1000E 5100 0120 0241 11030	100%
8. Myra Williams, BMHS Custodian, 6-hour position, *internal transfer* to BMHS Custodian, 8-hour position, *effective* May 8, 2017, *replacing* Rita Sweet.
9. Julia Etheridge, JBES Teacher, Second Grade, *resignation*, effective May 30, 2017, and *payment for any unused leave*, original hire date September 29, 2015.

10. Elisha Nicole Bool, JBES Teacher, First Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date February 7, 2017.
11. Andrea Perez, CES Teacher, ESE / Special Education, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 3, 2016.
12. Bessie I. Clark, CES Teacher, Third Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 13, 2012.
13. LuAnn Stipp, WMHS Teacher, Science, **resignation for retirement**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date August 15, 2011.
14. Jane Mitchell, CES Teacher, First Grade, **resignation for retirement**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date August 16, 1989.
15. Mallory Slama, WMHS Teacher, Math M/J, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 11, 2014.
16. Catherine M. Mueller, WMHS Teacher, Science, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 16, 2010.
17. Jannette E. Beal, YTS Teacher, Math, Third and Fourth Grades, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 3, 2016.
18. Joshua Mathews, YTS Teacher Aide, ESE, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date September 28, 2015.
19. Jacqueline Kamman, YTS Teacher, KG, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 3, 2016.
20. Janeen Mathews, YTS Teacher, Computer, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 19, 2015.
21. Pasquale J. Bartello, YTS Teacher, Science, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 12, 2013.
22. Nathan Huber, YTS Teacher, ESE, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 24, 2016.
23. Gabriel Chavez, BES Teacher, Second Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date August 25, 2016.
24. Terri Wisdom, CKS Teacher, Second Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date August 19, 2015.
25. Evelyn Elaine Campbell-Rains, CKS Teacher, Pre-K, **resignation for retirement**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date August 4, 2006.
26. Mechelle L. Harmon, YTS Teacher, Math M/J, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 12, 2013.
27. Lenita D. Cato, JBES Teacher, 2nd Grade, **resignation from employment to Participate in DROP**, effective May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2022.

28. Cassandra Mesnick, WMHS Teacher, Math, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 3, 2016.
29. Cassandra Tobey Webster, District Bus Driver, **resignation**, effective May 26, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date August 20, 2012.
30. Carmelita B. Halchak, WES Teacher, Third Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date March 2, 2017.
31. Krista Hill, WES Teacher, Fourth Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date January 20, 2015.
32. Angela Ceccarelli, WES Teacher, Fifth Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, original hire date August 30, 2016.
33. Jessica Stevenson, WES Teacher, Fifth Grade, **resignation**, effective May 30, 2017, and **payment for any unused leave**, original hire date September 17, 2012.

b) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Valerie Boughanem, District Coordinator ESOL/Testing, State Assessment and Accountability Workshop, August 29-31, 2017, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #18320.
2. Marcus Glover, District Transportation Mechanic, School Bus Safety Inspector Class, May 10-12, 2017, Middleburg, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #17800.
3. Teresa Pinder, District ESE/LATS, to attend the following conferences, travel expenses paid from Project #40290 F2017:
 - R-Lats Duties for Flagler County, May 22-23, 2017, Bunnell, Palm Coast, FL.
 - Supporting Early Literacy and Communication, June 11-16, 2017, Miramar, FL.
 - Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America (RESNA), June 26-30, 2017, New Orleans, LA.
4. **(Board Approved April 25, 2017)** - Florida School Nutrition Association (FSNA) 67th Annual Conference 2017, April 21-23, 2017, Orlando, FL, travel expenses paid from Project #41000, **amend to add the following:**

BMHS: Katherine Manuel and Haeng Gonthier

5. Arelis Rosario Roldan, WMHS Teacher, Foreign Languages, College Board Preparate: Educating Latinos for the Future of America, April 25-26, 2017, Orlando, FL., sub paid from Project #42412 F2017, all other travel expenses paid directly by the College Board.
6. Florida Educational Negotiators (FEN) Meeting, May 16-17, 2017, Daytona Beach, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #17200, for the following:
 - John R. Lott, Jr., Assistant Superintendent
 - Thomas Morgan Bennett, Coordinator, MIS/Technology

c) Family Medical Leave:

1. Rae Stegall, JBES Teacher, 2nd Grade, August 10, 2017 – September 29, 2017.

d) Student Trip Requests:

1. FFA State Convention, June 12-16, 2017, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #15300, for the following schools:

BMHS: Chaperones Jennifer Bray, Marcia Smith, 11 students, and two county vans.

CKS: Chaperones Cody Wetherington, Rachel Wetherington, 11 students, one county van, and one private vehicle.

CMHS: Chaperones Dallas Locke, Matthew Dettloff, Michelle Crawford, 30 students, one county bus, and one county van.

WMHS: Chaperones Natalie Couey, Shelby Rodgers, Chris Wilder, 30 students, one county bus, and one county van.

2. Safety Patrol Annual Tour, June 12-16, 2017, Washington, D.C., travel expenses paid from Internal Safety Patrol Account Project #14890 INTRN.

BES: Chaperones Crystal Pelt, Jackie Sohn, Wanda Johnson, Tiffany Fowler, Lisa Fletcher, Kassondra Miller, Angelina Lewis, Shakenna Mateo, Erica Thomas, Jennifer Runion, Yesica Arango-Hernandez, John Meeks, Eddie Mayes, Douglas Tatham, Caryl Osteen, 34 students, commercial carrier.

CKS: Chaperones Tevin Mills, Joshua Slemph, Michelle McCain, Stephanie Phillips, five students, commercial carrier.

CES: Chaperones James Allen, James A. Baker, Mark Story, Ben Baynard, Amanda Knapp, Taj Knapp, Alan Cannon, Aubrey Davis, Doug Standridge, Jesse Schonborn, Vanessa Bastow, Michelle Lindsey, Kari Bastow, Kelli Wilson, Chrystie Desmond, Kelly Beck, Stephanie Brown, Brandy Horne, Lindsay Fine, Ashley MacArthur, Melanie Hutchison, Stacy Swain, Ellise Conley, Dawn Poole, Misti Waldrop, Betty Reed, Lori Thomas, Kelly Gore, Mandi Walker, Chris Mickle, 34 students, commercial carrier.

WES: Chaperones Kelley Grimm, Michelle Ruiz, Emily Kinnunen, Saretta Appling, Paige Baker, Jackie Owen, Mauri Howard, Greg Pyle, Alberto Valle, Christal Ajello, Mandi Hassell, Devyn Chorvat, Debra Williams, Michelle Asbell, Lindsay Legler, Kristin Sierrens, Debbie Ward, Michael Woodford, Jenn Woodford, Jula Mills, Jack Mills, Ophelia Keene, 56 students, commercial carrier.

YTS: Chaperones Melissa Clarke, Kathleen Stines, Alison Rowland, Leann Rohrer, Melody Carson, Denise Dillon, 11 students, commercial carrier

3. CMHS Livestock Judging Camp, June 7-9, 2017, Manhattan, Kansas, chaperone Melissa Mills, Dallas Locke, six (6) students, private vehicle, commercial carrier – Airline, travel expenses paid from CMHS FFA Internal Account.

4. BMHS Track and Field, State Meet, May 5-6, 2016, Bradenton, FL., Chaperone Rodney Thomas, one student, and one county vehicle, travel expenses paid from the Internal Athletic Account.

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

1. **(Board Approved January 10, 2017)** - Scott Short, WMHS Teacher, Language Arts, January 4 – May 30, 2017 (*amend ending date to April 21, 2017*).
2. **(Board Approved April 25, 2017)** - Steven McCormick, BMHS Teacher, Science, April 11-25, 2017 *amend to extend dates to* April 26, 2017 – May 5, 2017.
3. **(Previously Board Approved April 11, 2017)** - Amanda Brown, WMHS Custodian, April 17, 2017 through May 10, 2017, (*amend dates to April 17-25, 2017*).

f) **Instructional Services:**

1. Contracts and / or Agreements:

i. Approval of the Agreements with the Levy County Health Department for the 2017-2018 school year to provide the following services to students of the School Board of Levy County:

- aa. RN to assist with ESE students at BES / BMHS – IDEA B Project #40230 F2017 (Attachment)
- bb. School Health Services – Project #17010 (Attachment)
- cc. Teen Parent Program – Project #13762 (Attachment)

ii. 2017-2018 Purchase of day care services with the following providers, paid from Project #13762:

- aa. Nanna's Place

2. **FINANCE:**

- a) General Fund Budget Summary Info and Financial Statements for April, 2017.
- b) Permission to declare the following items as surplus property, and to sell on the on-line auction:

	<u>Property No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Acquisition</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>CMHS:</u>	B – 9026	Rockwell Planer	02 / 78	\$2,212.00
<u>WMHS:</u>	C – 4506	Hobart 20qt Mixer	06 / 92	\$2,798.00

- c) Permission to remove the following equipment from inventory, and dispose of in the best interest of the Board:

Cannibalized Property: The electronic items listed below no longer work and are not repairable. The parts can be used to keep other running.

<u>Property No:</u>	<u>Description:</u>	<u>Acquisition:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
<u>Levy Learning Academy:</u>			
C – 7797	ECO Water Softener	09 / 96	\$1,614.00

Chiefland Middle School:

C - 6165	Minolta Copier	02 / 94	\$1,395.00
C - 7268	Gateway Computer	01 / 96	\$1,894.00
C - 7841	Gateway Computer	01 / 97	\$1,678.00
C - 8230	Gateway Computer	11 / 97	\$1,492.00
C - 8339	Gateway Computer	03 / 98	\$1,414.00
C - 8342	Gateway Computer	03 / 98	\$1,414.00
C - 8344	Gateway Computer	03 / 98	\$1,414.00
C - 8445	Gateway Computer	03 / 98	\$1,465.00
C - 8446	Gateway Computer	03 / 98	\$1,465.00
C - 8499	Gateway Computer	06 / 98	\$1,829.00
C - 8500	Gateway Computer	06 / 98	\$1,829.00
C - 8529	Lexmark Printer	06 / 98	\$2,746.23
C - 8704	Gateway Computer	12 / 98	\$1,532.00
C - 8916	Gateway Computer	03 / 99	\$1,858.00
C - 8917	Gateway Computer	03 / 99	\$1,858.00
C - 8920	Gateway Computer	03 / 99	\$1,709.00
C - 8969	Gateway Computer	04 / 99	\$1,737.00
C - 8988	Gateway Computer	04 / 99	\$1,802.00
C - 8990	Gateway Computer	04 / 99	\$1,802.00
C - 8918	Gateway Computer	03 / 99	\$1,858.00
C - 9413	Lexmark Printer	01 / 00	\$2,100.00
C - 9455	Gateway Computer	02 / 00	\$1,110.00
C - 9475	Gateway Computer	02 / 00	\$1,735.00
C - 9692	Gateway Computer	05 / 00	\$1,045.00
C - 10025	Gateway Computer	03 / 01	\$1,052.00
C - 10026	Gateway Computer	03 / 01	\$1,052.00
C - 10027	Gateway Computer	03 / 01	\$1,052.00
C - 10028	Gateway Computer	03 / 01	\$1,052.00
C - 10055	Lexmark Printer	01 / 01	\$2,559.30
C - 10150	Gateway Computer	04 / 01	\$2,314.00
C - 10211	Lexmark Printer	04 / 01	\$1,971.77
C - 10442	Lexmark Printer	02 / 02	\$1,257.80
C - 10525	Dell Computer	04 / 02	\$1,265.94
C - 10526	Dell Computer	04 / 02	\$1,265.94
C - 10527	Dell Computer	04 / 02	\$1,265.94
C - 10528	Dell Computer	04 / 02	\$1,265.94
C - 10529	Dell Computer	04 / 02	\$1,265.94
C - 10530	Dell Computer	04 / 02	\$1,265.94
C - 10551	Dell Computer	04 / 02	<u>\$1,265.91</u>
		Total	\$61,353.65

Joyce Bullock Elementary School:

C - 10256	Gateway Computer	06 / 01	\$1,070.00
C - 10874	Dell Computer	02 / 03	\$1,207.44
C - 10875	Dell computer	02 / 03	\$1,207.44
C - 10877	Dell Computer	02 / 03	\$1,207.44
C - 10884	Dell Computer	02 / 03	\$1,207.44
C - 10885	Dell Computer	02 / 03	\$1,207.44
C - 10886	Dell Computer	02 / 03	\$1,207.44
C - 11076	Dell Computer	07 / 03	\$1,229.48
C - 11248	Dell Computer	10 / 04	\$1,033.64
C - 11251	Dell Computer	10 / 04	\$2,067.28

C – 11255	Dell computer	10 / 04		<u>\$1,033.64</u>
			Total	\$13,678.68

Williston Middle School:

C – 7263	Sony Computer	01 / 96		\$2,580.00
C – 8043	Gateway Computer	04 / 97		\$1,778.00
C – 8194	Gateway Computer	09 / 97		\$1,772.00
C – 9335	Gateway Computer	11 / 99		\$2,860.00
C – 9360	Gateway Computer	12 / 99		\$1,270.00
C – 9912	Gateway Computer	01 / 01		\$3,011.00
C – 10149	Gateway Computer	04 / 01		\$2,314.00
C – 10521	Dell Computer	04 / 02		\$1,265.94
C – 10613	Dell Computer	08 / 02		\$1,364.99
C – 10791	Dell Computer	12 / 02		\$1,218.45
C – 10841	Dell Computer	01 / 03		\$1,207.44
C – 10939	Dell Computer	03 / 03		\$1,229.44
C – 11154	Dell Computer	11 / 03		\$1,180.00
C – 11260	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11261	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11262	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11263	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11264	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11265	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11266	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11268	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11269	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11270	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11271	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11272	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11274	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11276	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11279	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11280	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11281	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11282	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11283	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11284	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11285	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 11287	Dell Computer	10 / 04		\$1,033.64
C – 12209	Gateway Computer	05 / 07		\$2,999.00
C – 12036	Dell Server	08 / 06		\$1,963.11
C – 12387	Dell Computer	10 / 07		\$1,051.99
C – 12716	Dell Computer	10 / 08		<u>\$1,766.00</u>
			Total	\$53,571.44

Superintendent’s Comments / Recommendations: Superintendent Jeff Edison thanked the Board for attending the Master Board Training for two days in Gainesville. He said they are required to complete three additional sessions on site. Mr. Edison shared a letter with the Board that he wrote to the Governor. After discussion, Brad Etheridge approved to sign and send the letter to Governor Scott, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried. Assistant Superintendent Candy Dean updated the Board regarding HB 7069, Title I funding. She said the funding covers salaries and the Title I Lab. Mrs. Dean said if we lose the funding, we will have to change the way we operate the areas funded by Title I within the District.

Board Comments: Paige Brookins congratulated CMHS for being recognized in the US News and World Report, as one of the highest performing schools in NEFEC. Rick Turner thanked the Superintendent and staff for the new SBLC stationery and business cards. Brad Etheridge said the Master Board Training was very educational for our Board. He updated the Board on the WMHS FFA Banquet and said four students received the Stars Awards. He said 14 of the FFA students placed in the state finals. Cameron Asbell congratulated Glen Cooper, a BMHS student, on placing 3rd in the 200-meter dash and 4th in the 1A boys' 100-meter dash at the State Finals Track Meet. He said the school banquets, class trips, graduation, and special events make being a SBLC Board Member well worth it! Mr. Asbell thanked the other Board Members for how well they all work together, as a group. All other Board Members agreed. Board Chairman Chris Cowart thanked everyone for attending the Master Board Training. He said they all agree that students are the most important and come first and foremost. He congratulated CKS students Sam Parks, Annie McCain and Ashlyn Allen for their placements and wins at the State Track Meet

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jeffery R. Edison, Secretary

Chris Cowart, Board Chairman