

Bronson, FL
May 23, 2017
9:00 a.m.

REGULAR SESSION

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

Adoption of Agenda: After Board Chairman moved item D) VPK Update and Proposal, after E) School Presentation, Paige Brookins moved to approve the agenda, second by Brad Etheridge, 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.

School Presentation: YTS students, Amber Shear, 1st Grade, Abrielle Bailey, 2nd Grade, Abby Hopper 2nd Grade, Giovanna Burns, 4th Grade, and Madeline Rohrer, 5th Grade, shared their projects from the Science Fair with the Board, which covered biography, poetry, and research on trees. The Board thanked the students for their informative presentations and congratulated them on projects well done.

VPK Update and Proposal: Anna Kroll and Laura Klock updated the Board on the current and newly proposed Expanded Pre-K Program for the 2017-2018 SY. They said the current program is a half day, and the parents' fee is \$40.00 per week, but the new expanded program will be a full day and no parent fees for the Pre-K Program. After discussion, Brad Etheridge moved to approve the new Expanded Pre-K Program, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

UF Dual Enrollment Articulation Presentation: John Lott, Assistant Superintendent introduced Dr. Brian Marchman, Director of Distance and Continuing Education at UF and Andreas Vandenend, Assistant Director. Dr. Marchman and Mr. Vandenend gave a PowerPoint presentation and informed the Board about the enrollment criteria and registration procedures for students to Dual Enroll through UF. UF currently has students dual enrolled in Alachua, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach and Broward counties. They want to expand DE to Levy, Pasco, Polk and Hillsborough counties for the 2017-2018 SY. They said students are hand selected due to the requirements and not all students are eligible for DE at UF. GPA must be 3.5, whereas other institutes require a 3.0 GPA. They must be 11th or 12th grade, test scores SAT: 1000, PSAT: 1030, or ACT: 21. After discussion, Rick Turner moved to approve to participate in DE through UF, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried.

UF Athletic Trainer Services: John Lott, Assistant Superintendent introduced Kaitlyn Richter and Dr. Prine, from the UF Health Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine Institute. They gave an overview of their services and explained what Certified Athletic Trainers do at sporting events to assist the student athletes. They said it is very important that heat illness or concussions be properly detected early to prevent extensive health issues or emergencies with students, especially in the very hot summer months. Mr. Lott informed the Board that he has held meetings with the Principals and Athletic Directors and they all agree that having an Athletic Trainer at the sporting events would make everyone feel safer. Anna Kroll gave the Board a list of options showing the Athletic Costs for Options 1, 2, 3 and 4. After discussion, Brad Etheridge moved to approve Option 3, with the addition of Band Students and Cheerleaders, in support of hiring Athletic Trainers, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

Risk Management Update: Kalee Wade, Coordinator of Benefits and Risk Management, gave a Risk Management update for the 2016-2017 School Year. She said SBLC paid \$873,973.49 for the 2016-2017 SY for the following coverages: Property, Terrorism, Worker's Comp., Crime, Boiler & Machinery, TPA fee, NEFEC Budget, Errors & Omissions, Auto, Loss Fund (property, liability, worker's comp. & auto). For the 2017-2018 SY, the SBLC will pay \$833,191.70 for the same coverage, which is a reduction of \$40,781.79. She said we will receive a refund check of \$4,033.85 from the Loss Fund for the year 35. Mrs. Wade said SBLC will receive a refund check of \$147,546.55 from the Loss Fund Surplus for years 22, 24, and 25. Liability Insurance was

discussed. Board Attorney David Delaney said this coverage is very important for protection from hackers retrieving and stealing confidential information from employees and students.

Award of Bids: Gerald Ward, Coordinator of Purchasing, gave bid tabulation sheets for furniture and equipment, Liquid Propane, Motor Oil, Re-roofing Building 5 at BES, and Re-roofing Building 12 at CKS, and awarded the following bids:

- Bid 17-01: Cameron Asbell moved to approve The Barfield Group, LLC., second by Rick Turner, motion carried.
- Bid 17-02: Rick Turner moved to approve Suburban Propane, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.
- Bid 17-03: Rick Turner moved to approve Almond Oil, second by Cameron Asbell, motion carried.
- Bid 17-04: Cameron Asbell moved to approve Gainesville Roofing, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.
- Bid 17-05: Cameron Asbell moved to approve Gainesville Roofing, with “Option C” added, second by Rick Turner, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Rick Turner moved and second by Cameron Asbell to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2017 Board meeting. Motion carried.

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

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Employee Status Changes / Recommendations:

1. Approval to transfer one Teacher Aide Position Unit from LLA to CMHS.
2. Approval to create four (4) Teacher on Special Assignment – Blended Learning Lab Teacher units; one each for BMHS, CKS, CMHS and WMHS.
3. Anthony Phillips, CMHS Teacher, *exiting DROP*, effective July 31, 2017.
4. Sue B. Slaughter, CMHS Teacher, *exiting DROP*, effective May 31, 2017.
5. Islia Jovel, BES ESOL Aide, *effective* May 2, 2017, *new position, Board approved* January 24, 2017.
6. Shereka Jackson, WMHS ESE Aide, *transfer* to WES ESE Aide, *effective* May 8-30, 2017, and paid from **Project #4210E 5200 0150 0231 40230 F2017**.
7. Samantha Bryant, JBES Teacher, First Grade, *resignation*, effective May 30, 2017, *and payment* for any unused leave, original hire date August 19, 2015.
8. Larry W. Clark, WES Custodian, *transfer* to WMHS Custodian, *effective* May 22, 2017, and *funding change*, as follows:

From: 1000E 7900 0160 0231 11030 100%
To: 1000E 7900 0160 0091 11030 100%

9. Out-of-field assignments for 2016-2017 school year:

Site	Employee	Certification	OOF Area(s)
LLA	Garry Harris	Biology 6-12; Earth / Space Science 6-12	Physics I

10. Steven Brown, BES Custodian, *effective* May 22, 2017, *replacing* Marjorie Carswell.

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

1. **(Originally Board Approved May 9, 2017)** - Steven McCormick, BMHS Teacher, Science, April 26, 2017 – May 5, 2017, *amend to extend dates* May 6-11, 2017.

c) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Dr. Rosalind Hall, District Director of ESE / SS, Florida Council of Administrators of Special Education Leadership and NEFEC / ISRD Institute, June 11-15, 2017, Bonita Springs, FL., hotel directly paid by CASE, all other travel expenses paid from Project #40230 F2017.
2. NAAE Region 5 Conference, June 25-28, 2017, Tupelo, MS., travel expenses paid from Project #40202 F2017.
 - John C. Wilder, WMHS Teacher, Vocational Agriculture
 - Matthew Dettloff, CMHS Teacher, Agriculture
3. John C. Wilder, WMHS Teacher, Vocational Agriculture, FACTE Conference, July 16-19, 2017, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40201 F2018.
4. Arelis Rosario Roldan, WMHS Teacher, Foreign Language, 2017 AP Summer Institute for Spanish Language and Culture, July 23-27, 2017, USF, Tampa, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40270 F2017.
5. Josine Burgman, CMHS Teacher, Foreign Language, 2017 AP Summer Institute for Spanish, June 25-29, 2017, UCF, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40270 F2017.
6. Margaret Bailey, WMHS Teacher, Drama, M/J, 2017 AP Summer Institute for Biology, July 9-13, 2017, Jacksonville, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #40270 F2017.
7. NEFEC ISRD Summer Principal Leadership Conference, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL., Principal and Assistant Principals' hotel expenses paid from Project #14899, all other travel expenses paid from Project #40270 F2017, for the following:

July 9-12, 2017:

BES: Salinda M. Wiggins, Assistant Principal
CES: Lacy Redd, Principal and Aaron Haldeman, Assistant Principal
CMHS: Christy McElroy, Assistant Principal
District: Michael Homan, Coordinator of Title Programs
WMHS: Lindsay Legler, Principal and Timothy McCarthy, Assistant Principal

July 10-12, 2017:

District: Candace Dean, Assistant Superintendent and
Laura Klock, Coordinator, Pre-K and Student Services

8. AVID Summer Institute 2017, June 20-23, 2017, Tampa, FL., or June 25-28, 2017, Orlando, FL., travel expenses paid from Projects #14897 and 42412 F2017, for the following:

June 20-23, 2017, Tampa:

BMHS: Gary Masters, Cheryl Allen, Michelle Barber, Shelia H. Rome, Melody Irizarry, and Emma Darden

June 25-28, 2017, Orlando:

CKS: Joshua Slem, David Tomlin, Carrie Tomlin, Tevin Mills, Holly Mills, Kathryn M. Lawrence

District: John R. Lott, Jr.

WMHS: Lindsay Legler, Chloe Gabriel, Amanda Myhree, Tanya Taylor, Rebecca Ward, Arelis Roldan, Erin Morrow

9. Matthew Dettloff, CMHS Teacher, Agriculture, travel expenses paid from following projects:
 - a. State FFA Convention, June 12-16, 2017, Orlando, FL., paid from Project #15300.
 - b. 51st Annual FACTE Conference, July 16-19, 2017, Orlando, FL., paid from Project #40201 F2018.
10. Amber Philpot, WMHS Teacher, Reading Coach, Florida Literacy Coaches Cadre, June 13-15, 2017, Altamonte Springs, FL., travel expenses paid from Project #11332.

d) Student Trip Requests:

1. CMHS Varsity Softball to Softball State Finals, May 16-18, 2017, Vero Beach, FL., Chaperones Wayne Weatherford, Lena Weatherford, Jimmy Anderson, Harland Stalvey, Christie McElroy, Stephanie Parks, 17 students, one district bus, travel expenses paid from Athletic account.
2. WMHS JROTC Summer Camp Competition at Camp Shands, June 10-17, 2017, Hawthorne, FL., Chaperones SFC Frank K. Velez, CW3 Daryl Richardson, 10 students, and one county bus, travel expenses paid from internal accounts.
3. WMHS JROTC Team Building, June 1, 2017, MacDill Air Force Base, Busch Gardens, Chaperone CW3 Daryl Richardson, 30 students, commercial carrier, travel expenses paid by Cadet Command U.S. Army.
4. BMHS Volleyball Camp, July 21-23, 2017, Jacksonville, FL., Chaperone Sherrie Schuler, seven (7) students, county vehicle, travel expenses paid from Volleyball Athletic Internal Accounts.
5. CMHS FFA to Forestry Camp, July 9-14, 2017, Camp O'Leno, High Springs, FL., Chaperone Mathew Dettloff, three (3) students, county van, travel expenses paid from Project #15300.
6. BMHS Journalism students to Journalism Camp, July 25-27, 2017, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL., Chaperone Genny D. Foshee, six students, one county van, travel expenses paid from BMHS Journalism School Account, no cost to Board.

e) Administrative Services:

1. Contracts and / or Agreements:
 - i. 2017-2018 SY Contract between SBLC and UF Orthopedics to provide Athletic Training

Services for athletic practices and events, as assigned to Levy County Schools.
(Attachment)

f) Instructional Services:

1. Contracts and/or Agreements:

- i. 2017-2018 VPK Contracts. (Attachment)
- ii. 2017-2018 Career Pathways Articulation Agreement between SBLC and College of Central Florida (CF). (Attachment)
- iii. 2017-2018 Articulation Agreement For Career and College Acceleration between SBLC and College of Central Florida (CF). (Attachment)
- iv. 2017-2018 UF On-Line Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement. (Attachment)
- v. 2017-2018 SY Agreement with Carlton Palms Educational Center, Incorporated to provide programs of education, training and related services for ESE students. (Attachment)

g) Illness-in-Line of Duty:

1. Virginia Floyd, Transportation Bus Driver, May 18, 2017.

2. FINANCE:

- a. Budget Amendment Eight (8)

Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations: Superintendent Jeffery R. Edison asked Mrs. Anna Kroll, Interim Director of Finance to introduce the new Director of Finance, Kimberly L. Lake. Mr. Edison asked Barb Rivers and Michael Homan to share the 3rd Grade Test Results with the Board. They said the State percentage achievement of Level 3 or above 3rd Grade ELA is 58%, and Levy County scored 53%, which is an achievement growth of 4% for Levy County Schools. Mr. Edison thanked everyone for attending graduations and other end-of-the-year events in support of all the schools.

Board Comments: Cameron Asbell shared a comment made by a Guidance Counselor during a 9th Grade Orientation: that a "C" was not a good grade and college would not be an option for them. He said we have experts in all areas of employment, which don't require a 4-year college degree or more. Those areas of expertise needed are auto mechanics, welders, plumbers, electrical, construction, heating and air, roofers, and too many others to name them all. He talked about the BMHS Football game being moved to Mayo to benefit a fundraiser for Taylor Valentine, age 21, and is very ill with cancer. He said the fundraiser from Bronson raised over \$2,000 and combined with Mayo's fundraiser, totaled over \$10,000 to aid Taylor with her funeral costs. Mr. Asbell said it's very sad that the media only wants to cover and publish negative news for SBLC and they disregard the good news, like the fundraiser for Taylor Valentine. He said they were invited to attend today's meeting, but they didn't attend. Rick Turner agreed with Mr. Asbell about the employment opportunities. He said in some areas welders can earn between \$21-\$80 per hour, working on pipelines, etc. Superintendent Edison said an Education Diploma only hangs in a frame on the wall; whereas, a certification of expertise allows people to perform jobs and tasks as a way of living and financial income. Paige Brookins thanked the Board Members for their information. She said she is very saddened to hear about Taylor's illness and her situation. Mrs. Brookins congratulated the CMHS girls' softball for their wins and the 2017 Graduates from all of the Levy County Schools. Board Chairman Chris Cowart congratulated the CKS Team for winning the walking challenge contest. He said they had a combined 2.1 and a half million steps. Mr. Cowart said he has heard good things about the Senior Walks through the schools. He said it's very good and inspiring for the other students to see the Seniors who are about to graduate from high school. Mr. Cowart said the amount of scholarship monies awarded this year was amazing and very much appreciated by the students and parents.

The BMHS / BES School visit was cancelled. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jeffery R. Edison, Secretary

Chris Cowart, Board Chairman