

Bronson, Florida
February 3, 2009
6:15 p.m.

The School Board of Levy County met in session this 3rd day of February, 2009, with Chairman Frank Etheridge, Beth Davis, Rick Turner, and Board Attorney Sheree Lancaster present. Board Member Paige Brookins was absent.

Expulsion Hearings: The Board met in Executive Session to receive information regarding recommendation for expulsion. After testimony was given by the Principal and/or Designee and parents, the following action was taken by the Board.

- 1) **Student 09-13** (student and legal guardian present): Motion by Rick Turner, seconded by Beth Davis, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year, and the 2009-2010 school year, with the opportunity to attend Hilltop Alternative School and to reappear before the Board at the 2nd Board Meeting in July 2009 for consideration of re-enrollment at Chiefland Middle School. Motion carried.
- 2) **Student 09-14** (student and grandfather present): Motion by Beth Davis, seconded by Rick Turner, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to expel the student for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year and the 2009-2010 school year, with the opportunity to enroll at Hilltop Alternative School, undergoing a monthly baseline drug test at the expense of the parent/legal guardian with results provided to Principal Patrick Wnek. Motion carried.
- 3) **Student 09-15** (student and parent/guardian present): Motion by Beth Davis, seconded by Rick Turner, to continue the expulsion hearing until the February 17, 2009 Board Meeting, during which time the student's suspension from school will be extended; the student will undergo a full analysis drug test at the expense of the legal guardian, providing the Board with results at the February 17th meeting, at which time further testimony will be heard from the Assistant Principal and Administrative Assistant regarding written documentation of the student's statement during the school's investigation regarding the incident leading to the request for expulsion. Motion carried.

The Board then returned to regular session to continue with the remaining business of the Board.

Minutes: Motion by Beth Davis, seconded by Rick Turner, to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2009, meeting as submitted with the Board Agenda. Motion carried.

District Report

Superintendent Hastings recognized Raymond Powers and Stephanie Hogle for attaining National Board Certification during the 2008-2009 school year. LCEA President Cindy Roach presented plaques to the teachers and a reception was given in their honor by other National Board Certified Teachers.

Instructional Services

Carol Jones reported on Career and Technical Education, sharing information about programs currently in the district. Students from CHS, BHS and WHS gave presentations about CTE classes they are currently enrolled in at those schools.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Rick Turner, seconded by Beth Davis, to approve the following items on

the consent agenda, including additions/corrections as recommended by the Superintendent. Motion carried.

1) GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Resignations:

1. Glenda B. Barley, C.H.S. Teacher, for retirement, effective June 8, 2009, and payment for any unused leave.
2. James A. Baker, Jr., W.H.S. Phys. Ed. Teacher, effective February 2, 2009, and payment for any unused leave.

b) Illness-In-Line-Of-Duty Leave Requests:

1. Kelly Bass, W.M.S. Teacher, January 29, 2009 (1.45 hours).
2. Carmella Sementelli, C.H.S. Aide, January 26, 2009 (3.0 hours).

c) Family Medical Leave Requests:

1. Tina Knopic, Bus Driver, January 26 – February 27, 2009.
2. Bridgette Renaud, BES Custodian, February 2 – April 24, 2009, to run concurrent with workers' compensation leave, per contract, AMEND to February 2 – February 25, 2009.
3. Alexis Gordon, J.B.E.S. Kindergarten Teacher, January 27 – February 13, 2009.

d) Military Leave Request:

1. Cassandra Shepherd, C.M.S. Teacher, Annual Training, Department of the Army, February 2 and 3, Lakeland, Florida and February 4 – 6, 2009, Palatka, Florida.

e) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Teresa Pinder, District Local Assistive Technology Specialist, February 3 – 5, 2009, RLATS duties in San Mateo and Palm Coast, paid from LATS project #492902
2. Katie Jones, C.H.S. Ag Teacher, February 13 (pm) and 14, 2009, State Dairy Contest, Tampa, Florida, paid from project #15300.
3. "Why Try" Workshop, January 27 and 28, 2009, Orlando, Florida, Hotel expenses paid from project #1103741, travel reimbursement paid from project #149005 (SEDNET): Robert Turnipseed and Lois Solly – CMS.
4. Sue Ice, C.K.S. Principal, February 17(pm) – 19, 2009, Florida Principal's

PROMISE Project, Training, Tallahassee, FL, expenses paid by Dept. of Ed., no cost to board.

5. Stacey Gindlesperger, BMHS, Band Director, January 7-10, 2009, Florida Bandmaster's Association State Conference, Tampa, FL, **amend to** paid from project #1906.

f) Student Trip Requests:

1. Katie Jones, C.H.S. Ag Advisor, March 21 and 22, 2009, State Leaders Summit, Haines City, FL, 3 students, 1 private vehicle, sponsor's expenses paid from project #15300, all other expenses paid internal account.
2. Student Government Association District 2 Meeting, Camp Crystal Lake, Starke, Florida, February 6 and 7, 2009, schools to share 1 bus with transportation expenses paid from project #17800, other expenses paid from internal accounts:

BHS: Cindy Putnam and Nancy Kline, 15 students

WHS: Jennifer DeLuca, 6 students

CHS: Kelly Varnes, 4 students

3. Brad Penney, C.K.S. Track Coach, 5 students, 1 private vehicle, no cost to Board, to the following track meets:

March 14, 2009 – Crystal River, FL

March 21, 2009 – Live Oak, FL

April 24, 2009 – Orlando (tentative, depends on # advancing from Districts)

May 1, 2009 – State Competition – Winter Park

g) Recommendations

1. Appointments and/or Transfers:
 - a. A. Pamela Quincey, B.H.S. ESE Teacher, February 6, 2009, replacing Marie DePalma.
 - b. Maria E. Herrera, B.E.S. ESOL Aide, **TRANSFER** to B.H.S. ESOL Aide, effective January 26, 2009.
 - c. Derek Chipoletti, W.H.S. Phys. Ed. Teacher, February 3, 2009, replacing James Baker.
 - d. Garrett L. Johnston, C.H.S. Custodian, February 2, 2009, replacing Jennifer McIntire.
2. Payment of Supplements to the following personnel for supplemental activities during the 2008-2009 school year:

<u>SITE</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>SUPPLEMENT</u>	<u>SP#</u>	<u>Date</u>
BES	Amy Langworthy	ESOL Endorsement	241(add)	01/22/09
	Jennifer Huguley	½ Testing Coord.	535 (add)	01/05/09
	Patricia Shewey	Reading Endorsement	411 (add)	01/16/09
CKS	Linda Campbell	ESOL Endorsement	241 (add)	12/01/08
	Janeice Smith	ESOL Endorsement	241 (add)	12/01/08
	Carmen Doyle	ESOL Endorsement	241 (add)	12/01/08
	Norman Paeth	Tennis	530 (delete)	01/15/09
WES	Lisa Posteraro	R'ding Endorsement	411(add)	01/15/09
WHS	Roberty Lowyns	Peer Teacher (Bontya)	410 (add)	01/05/09
	"	Peer Teacher (Johnson)	410 (add)	01/05/09
	"	Peer Teacher (Vespignani)	410 (add)	01/05/09
	"	Curriculum Facilitator	650 (add)	01/05/09
	James A. Baker, Jr.	Athl. Director (1/2)	130 (delete)	02/02/09
	"	Varsity Football	290 (delete)	02/02/09
	"	7 th Period	450 (delete)	02/02/09
	Derek Chipoletti	Athl. Director (1/2)	130 (add)	02/03/09
	"	Varsity Football	290 (add)	02/03/09
"	7 th Period	450 (add)	02/03/09	
JBES	Roxanne Stone	R'ding Endorsement	411(add)	10/31/08

3. **Out-of-field assignments for the 2008-2009 school year:**

<u>SITE</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>OOF Area(s)</u>
B.H.S.	Deborah Ball	Eng. 6-12; ESE K-12 Rdg. End.	ESOL
	Nancy Kline	History 6-12; Rdg. End.	M/J World Geog.
W.H.S.	David Vespignani	Bus. Ed. 6-12; Rdg. End.	English IV
Y.T.S.	Arlene Sparks	Math 6-12	ELP

2) **FINANCE:**

- a) Budget Amendments #8-A and #8-B (available at meeting)
- b) Amendment of Instructional and ESP Salary Schedules to allow payment to the following personnel for:

BHS amend to BMHS Eagles' Nest After School Tutoring, beginning January 2009 thru June 2009, paid hourly rate of pay from amend to project #492405 as follows:

Up to 212 hours amend to 45 hours Up to 135 hours

Leslie McGeehee
(Coordinator and Math)

Kelly Watkins (Math)
Stacy Drummond (Science)

Gloria Petty (L/A,Rdg.)

Jessica Combest (Language Arts)

Raymond Powers (Science) (amend to delete)

Jennifer Bray (Science) (amend to add)

BHS Content Area Reading Professional Development Training, paid stipend rate of pay for each 7.5 hours logged on sign-in sheets, amend to be paid from Title I funds project #492405: Stacy Gindlesperger, Raymond Powers, Cindy Putnam, Linda Weinar, Joyce Beasley & Kathryn Lawrence.

Payment of Advanced Placement Teacher Bonus as required by Florida Statute 1011.62 F.S. to the following teachers for providing advanced placement instruction during the 2008-2009 school year, paid from project #139906:

CHS:	Jennifer Anderson	\$50.00
WHS:	Steve Masyada	\$800.00

Title III Translation Services, Maria L. Sosa, paid current minimum wage rate, to translate documents from English into Spanish, 1 – 25 hours per week, February 20 – June 15, 2009, for a maximum of 400 hours, paid from project #492907.

Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations Mr. Hastings called on Ted Alexander for a report on the two construction projects. Mr. Alexander said both projects were well underway, with a one or two day delay due to the rainy weather at the CES site, but he did not foresee any problems in making up that time. Mr. Hastings also encouraged the Board and visitors at the meeting to get involved in letting State Legislators know it is their responsibility to adequately fund public education in the State of Florida. Board Attorney Sheree Lancaster shared information regarding a public records request.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned and went into Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations discussion.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Robert O. Hastings, Secretary

Frank Etheridge, Chairman