

Bronson, Florida
November 19, 2013
9:00 a.m.
REGULAR SESSION

The School Board of Levy County met in Regular Session this 19th day of November 2013 at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Cameron Asbell, Robert Philpot, Rick Turner, Chris Cowart, Paige Brookins and Board Attorney David Delaney present.

Board Reorganization: Superintendent Hastings presided during the reorganization of the Board.

Appointment of Chairman: Superintendent Hastings called for nominations for Board Chairman. Cameron Asbell nominated Robert Philpot. Paige Brookins moved for nominations to cease. The Superintendent called for the vote with the Board unanimously voting for Robert Philpot as Board Chairman.

Appointment of Vice-Chairman: Superintendent Hastings called for nominations for Board Vice-Chairman. Paige Brookins nominated Rick Turner. Cameron Asbell moved for nominations to cease. The Superintendent called for the vote with the Board unanimously voting for Rick Turner as Vice-Chair.

Regular Meeting Dates: Motion by Chris Cowart, to set the regular meeting dates of the School Board of Levy County for the first Tuesday after the first Monday at 6:00 p.m. of each month and two weeks thereafter at 9:00 a.m., to be held in the Administrative Offices, Bronson, Florida, second by Robert Philpot. After discussion, Rick Turner moved to amend the motion to reflect meeting dates and times as the 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 pm and the 4th Tuesday at 9:00 am of each month, second by Cameron Asbell. The Superintendent called for the vote to amend the motion with the Board voting 4 – 1 in favor of amending the motion, motion carried. After discussion, the Superintendent called for a show of hands vote on the amended motion with Rick Turner and Cameron Asbell voting yes and Paige Brookins, Chris Cowart and Robert Philpot voting no, motion failed. Chris Cowart then moved to keep his original motion for the regular meeting dates of the School Board of Levy County for the first Tuesday after the first Monday at 6:00 p.m. of each month and two weeks thereafter at 9:00 a.m., second by Robert Philpot, with Chris Cowart, Paige Brookins and Robert Philpot voting yes and Cameron Asbell and Rick Turner voting no, motion carried.

Robert Philpot then assumed the Chair and presided during the remainder of the meeting.

Designation of Florida School Boards Association Legislative Liaison: Paige Brookins nominated Chris Cowart as the FSBA Legislative Liaison with Cameron Asbell moving for nominations to cease. The Board unanimously voted for Chris Cowart to serve as the FSBA Legislative Liaison. Paige Brookins then nominated Rick Turner as the Alternate Liaison, with Cameron Asbell moving for nominations to cease. The Board unanimously voted for Rick Turner to serve as the Alternate FSBA Legislative Liaison. Chairman Philpot stated that the Superintendent had other considerations to bring before the Board and asked him to conduct the vote if needed. Superintendent Hastings then asked if we would have a quorum at the December 3rd Board Meeting due to the FSBA/FADSS Joint Conference in Tampa which begins December 3rd. After discussion, he determined that he and 3 Board Members would not be able to attend the December 3rd Board Meeting and we would not have a quorum at the Meeting. Paige Brookins moved to change meeting times for the December 3rd meeting to 9:00 a.m. and the December 17th Meeting to 6:00 p.m., second by Robert Philpot. After discussion, Paige Brookins asked the Superintendent for permission to withdraw her motion, permission granted, with second by Robert Philpot, motion withdrawn. After further discussion, Cameron Asbell then moved to cancel the December 3rd Board Meeting and to change the December 17th Board Meeting time to 6:00 pm, second by Chris Cowart, motion carried.

FOIL / AVID updates: Dr. Wnek shared information from the Florida Organization of Instructional Leaders (FOIL) Conference regarding Florida's School Grading System. He also shared a power point with classroom video highlighting the AVID Schoolwide System and how it's working in the schools that have it in the District. He distributed a copy to each Board Member of the Report of the External Review from AdvancED concerning District Accreditation for their information. (see supplemental minutes)

Request to Cancel the January 7, 2014 Board Meeting Superintendent Hastings reminded the Board that the School Board would be closed for business after December 20, 2013 thru January 3, 2014 and we would not have time to get an

agenda ready for the January 7th Board Meeting. After discussion, Cameron Asbell moved to cancel the January 7, 2014 Board Meeting, second by Paige Brookins, motion carried.

Minutes: Chris Cowart moved with second by Paige Brookins to approve the Minutes of the November 5, 2013 Board meeting as submitted with the Board Agenda. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: After discussion, Paige Brookins moved with second by Rick Turner, to approve the following items on the consent agenda with changes as recommended by the Superintendent. Motion carried.

1. GENERAL ITEMS:

a) Professional Leave Requests:

1. Professional Development Workshop – Problem Solving/Response to Intervention (MTSS), December 11 and 12, 2013, St. Petersburg, as follows:
expenses paid SEDNET project #40234F2014 – L. Paige Halberstadt
expenses paid RTTT project #43401 00814 - Marla Hiers, Suzette Steffer, Angel Thomas, Morgan Bennett, Melissa Lewis, Teri Edison, Atsuko Omata, Susan Liles, Tammy Crosby, Katie Corbin, Cheryl Beauchamp.
2. AP College Board Symposium, January 30 and 31, 2014, Jacksonville, travel expenses reimbursed by College Board project #14890 and sub teachers paid from RTTT project #43401 00814: Vickie Roberts, Lauren Adams, Jan Flemming, David Mitchell.
3. Pamela Q. Morrison, Secretary to the Superintendent, January 29 – 31, 2014, Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS) Institute for Administrative Assistants/Secretaries to Superintendents and/or School Boards, Tampa, expenses paid from project #10071.
4. Dr. Rosalind Hall, November 20 and 21, 2013, DOE ESE / SS Director's Academy, Tallahassee, directly reimbursed by FL DOE, no cost to Board.
5. Teresa Pinder, District Local Assistive Technology Specialist (LATS), December 16(pm) – 18, 2013, MTSS Assistive Technology Work Group, New Smyrna Beach, paid by MTSS, no cost to Board.

b) Student Trip Requests:

1. BMHS GEAR UP College Tour, November 19, 2013, Tallahassee, Jennifer Seyer, Stacy Drummond, Emma Powers, Genny Foshee, chaperones, 50 students, commercial carrier – BUS, expenses paid from GEAR UP reimbursement project #14895.
2. WMS 8th Grade Academic and Behavior Incentive Field Trip, Universal Studios Island of Adventure, May 23, 2014, chaperones Tammy Davis, Barbara Leathers, Sandy Reckseit, Drue Hamilton, Adrienne Provost, Janelle Alexander, commercial carrier – BUS, all expenses paid internal account, no cost to Board.
3. WMS Jr. Beta Club State Convention, December 1 – 3, 2013, Orlando, chaperones Tanya Taylor, Dena Battle, Patty Coleman, Tricia Baker, Jeff Taylor and Jennifer Cotton, 23 students, 1 county van and private vehicles, hotel expenses paid from internal account, fuel cost paid from project #17800 and sub charged to School Board.

c) Instructional Services:

a. Contracts and/or Agreements

1. Approval of the 2013-2014 through 2015-2016 Special Programs and Procedures Plan (SP&P)

2. Approval of Purchased Services Agreement with Understanding U. Therapy Services, P.A., to provide speech/language pathologist services for a private school during the 2013-2014 SY.
3. Approval of the contract with Angela Acevedo to provide after-school tutoring services for students with disabilities for a private school during the 2013-2014 SY.
4. Approval of the 2013-2014 SY Agreement between SBLC and the College Board to provide the College Readiness System for Levy County students.

d) Recommendations:

1. Amber N. Ryan, CKS Pre-K Aide, 4.0 hours per day, effective November 12, 2013, vacancy.
2. Shannon Allen, CES Instructional OPS position, 4 hours per day, effective November 20, 2013, position Board approved June 18, 2013.
3. Patricia Crews, CMHS Teacher Aide, effective November 12, 2013, replacing Parrish Parnell.
4. Ericka Floyd, JBES Non-Instructional OPS Tutor, 6 hours per day, effective November 12, 2013, position Board approved October 8, 2013.
5. Peter Frost, District Bus Driver, effective November 18, 2013, open route position.

e) Employee Status Changes:

1. Jamie Baker, WHS Teacher, *resignation* effective November 22, 2013.
2. Adrienne Provost, WMS Teacher, *resignation* effective December 20, 2013, and payment for any unused leave.

f) Family Medical Leave Request:

1. Ashley Gargulak, BES Teacher, *amend to start* November 1, 2013 – January 31, 2014.

g) Personal Leave in Excess of Six (6) Days Leave Request:

1. Samara Fisher, BES Teacher, November 6, 2013 through January 6, 2014.

2. FINANCE:

- a) Financial Statement as of October 2013
- b) Budget Amendments #2A and #2B
- c) Internal Accounts Audit Report as of June 30, 2013

Superintendent's Comments / Recommendations: Superintendent Hastings reported on his day in Tallahassee meeting with Legislators regarding the new WMHS project. He said he feels confident moving forward that we have support in Tallahassee. He said he plans to visit the Governor's Office on his next visit. He informed the Board that the Negotiating Teams for the District and the Union had reached an agreement and if ratified by Union Members he would call a Special Board Meeting for the Board to ratify as well.

Board Comments: Cameron Asbell asked about the lease or sale of the old BHS Gym. Mr. Edison said he and Bob Clemons would be meeting next week with Pastor Tucker from the Bronson Church of God to discuss. Mr. Asbell also

requested a future presentation on how the FastForward Program is doing in schools throughout the District. He also thanked Superintendent Hastings for the joint email sent out from him and Union President Carmen Ward. All Board members voiced their appreciation for the cooperation between the Union and the School Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned with the Board going into executive session with a school visit to CES immediately following.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Robert O. Hastings, Secretary

Cameron Asbell, Chairman