

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 17, 2021

The Lafayette County School Board convened in regular session, Tuesday, August 17, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Marion McCray, Vice-Chair; Mr. Darren Driver, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; Ms. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney; and School Resource Deputy Jacquelyn Clark. Mrs. Amanda Hickman, Chairperson, and Mr. Jeff Walker, Member were absent.

Administrators present were Mrs. Alissa Hingson, Director of Teaching and Learning Services; Mrs. Tammi Maund, Director of Finance; Mr. Stewart Hancock, LHS Principal; Mr. Stephen Clark, LES Principal; and Mr. Gerald Powers, Director of Safety and Mental Health.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Marion McCray called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Darren Driver gave the invocation and Superintendent Edwards led the Pledge to the Flag.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Marion McCray asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. On a motion by Mr. Darren Driver and a second by Mr. Taylor McGrew, the agenda was unanimously adopted.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes from the July 14, 2021 Workshop; July 21, 2021 Special Session; July 27, 2021 Workshop; July 27, 2021 Public Hearing; July 27, 2021 Regular School Board Meeting; June 15, 2021 Regular School Board Meeting; June 15, 2021 Executive Session; and June 23, 2021 Special

Session were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Darren Driver.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

The consent items listed below were presented for approval. Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve all consent items. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous.

- 3.01 Approve parents/supporters to transport students to FFA events/activities for the 2021-2022 school year
- 3.02 Approve 2021-2022 Career Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement with Big Bend Technical College
- 3.03 Approve 2021-2022 District, LHS, & LES Parent & Family Engagement Plans
- 3.04 Approve Agreement for Participation in Multi-District Program for School Psychology Services for the 2021-2022 school year
- 3.05 Approve requests for the following students to participate in the dual enrollment program at NFC for the 2021-2022 school year: Kaley Rosenbaum, Shaylyn Tyre, Shawn Shasteen, Callie Buchanan, and Derrick Hewett

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.01 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PERSONNEL ITEMS – Mr. Darren Driver moved to approve all personnel items, as recommended by Superintendent Edwards. Mr. Taylor McGrew seconded the motion. The vote for approval was unanimous.

4.01(1) Recommendations – Instructional – Approve the following individuals for the 2021-2022 school year:
Adam Land, ESE Teacher at LHS
Marcy Richardson, MS Science Teacher at LHS

Recommendations – Non-Instructional– Approve the following Non-Instructional personnel for the 2021-2022 school year:
Trevor Garland, ESE Paraprofessional at LES

Felicia Gilbert, Custodian at LES
Teresa Gamble, Custodian at LHS

Recommendations – Volunteer Coach/Assistant- Approve Lance Walker as a Volunteer Coach/Assistant for the 2021-2022 school year

4.01(2) Resignation- Approve resignation from the following individuals:
Lorri Swafford, Teacher LES effective July 30, 2021
Lindsey Thomas, Teacher LHS effective July 30, 2021

4.01(3) Notice of Retirement- Accept notice of retirement from James Blankenship, Teacher LHS effective July 29, 2021

4.02 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PROFESSIONAL LEARNING CATALOG – Mrs. Alissa

Hingson presented the Professional Learning Catalog for the School Board Members to review.

Following discussion, Mr. Darren Driver moved to approve the Professional Learning Catalog for 2021-2022. Mr. Taylor McGrew seconded the motion. The vote for approval was unanimous.

(Professional Learning Catalog on file in district office)

4.03 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES RATE RENEWAL INSURANCE AND VOLUNTARY

BENEFITS FOR 2021-2022 – Mr. Lance Braswell, Insurance Agent, met with the School Board regarding the district's employee health insurance renewal and voluntary benefits for 2021-2022.

Mr. Braswell discussed the different insurance bids he received and reviewed for district employees. Mr. Braswell explained that there would be a rate increase for this year. After review of the plan and discussion, Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the request. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous. (Insurance information on file in district office)

4.04 SSDCC RESOLUTION AND MEMBERSHIP DUES APPROVED - Mr. Taylor McGrew moved

to approve the Small School District Council Consortium Resolution authorizing participation in

the SSDCC for 2021-2022 and payment of membership dues in the amount of \$3,250.00. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. Motion carried unanimously. (On file in district office)

4.05 FFA EVENT AND TRAVEL SCHEDULE - The 2021-2022 FFA Event and Travel Schedule was presented for the School Board's review and approval. Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the FFA Event and Travel Schedule. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. Motion carried unanimously. (FFA Event and Travel Schedule on file in district office)

4.06 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN OPIOID LITIGATION-

Mrs. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson called the Law Firm of Terrell Hogan Yegelwel, P.A. and placed them on speaker phone to discuss and answer questions regarding the Resolution to Participate in Opioid Litigation. After discussion, on a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Darren Driver the resolution was unanimously approved. (copy of resolution on file in district office)

4.07 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES ATTORNEY REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT- The school board considered and approved the Attorney Representation Agreement with Terrell Hogan Yegelwel, P.A. regarding the National Prescription Opiate Litigation. On a motion by Mr. Darren Driver and a second by Mr. Taylor McGrew the agreement was unanimously approved. (copy of agreement on file in the district office)

4.08 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES STATEMENT OF CLIENT RIGHTS- Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the Statement of Client Rights regarding the Representation Agreement and National Prescription Opiate Litigation. Mr. Darren Driver seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. (copy of statement of client rights on file in district office)

4.09 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES MENTAL HEALTH PLAN – The 2021-2022 Mental Health

Application- Part I: Youth Mental Health Awareness Training Plan, Part II: Mental Health

Assistance Allocation Plan was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Darren Driver. The mental health plan will provide funding to assist school districts in establishing or expanding school-based mental health care. (Mental Health

Application/Mental Health Assistance Allocation Plan on file in district office)

4.10 SCHOOL BOARD POLICY REVISIONS APPROVED FOR ADVERTISING – Revisions to the

following school board policies were presented for the School Board’s review and approval for advertising:

Revisions/New school board policies:

Policy #	Status	Policy Title
2.03	revision	Special Committees of the School Board
2.04	revision	School Advisory Councils
2.091	revision	Family and School Partnership for Student Achievement
3.06	revision	Safe and Secure Schools
3.09	revision	A Moment of Silence
5.19	revision	Student Records
5.29	revision	Notification of Involuntary Examination
6.39	revision	Report of Misconduct
6.80	revision	Personnel Files
8.01	revision	Safety
8.04	new	Emergency Evacuation Drills

Superintendent Edwards stated that the policies are being revised to reflect changes in law.

Following review and discussion, all agreed to approve the revised policies for advertising. Mr.

Taylor McGrew made the motion for approval, Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. The vote for

approval was unanimous. A public hearing will be held on this matter at the next regular school

board meeting.

4.11 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS – The following budget amendments were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Darren Driver and a second by Mr. Taylor McGrew: *General Fund No. 6 & 7 and CO & DS No. 3.*

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 5.01 Principal’s Monthly Financial Report on Internal Funds
- 5.02 July Invoices 2021
- 5.03 Financial Statement
- 5.04 Supplemental Positions


6. CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input today.

ADOURNMENT

With business complete, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.


Amanda Hickman, Chairperson

ATTEST: 
Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board