

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 20, 2021

The Lafayette County School Board convened in regular session, Tuesday, April 20, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Amanda Hickman, Chairperson; Ms. Marion McCray, Vice-Chair; Mr. Darren Driver, Member; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; Mrs. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney; and School Resource Deputy Jacquelyn Clark. Administrators present were Mrs. Alissa Hingson, Director of Teaching and Learning Services; Mrs. Tammi Maund, Director of Finance; Mr. Joey Pearson, Director of Support Services; and Mr. Stephen Clark, LES Principal.

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Amanda Hickman called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Mr. Darren Driver gave the invocation and Superintendent Robert Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Wade Ducksworth was recognized as being selected as the Support Related Employee of the Year by Superintendent Edwards and Mr. Joey Pearson, Director of Support Services. Mr. Ducksworth was presented with a gift card and a plaque as a thank you for his many years of dedicated service.

Mr. Chad Lyons, Agriculture Teacher at Lafayette High School made a presentation to the board regarding a construction proposal of an Animal Science Land Lab/Swine Lab Teaching Unit. Mr. Lyons expressed the many benefits of having a facility like this on campus. He said it would be a valuable teaching tool that would teach the students responsibility and accountability. The unit could be used during school hours and would allow for year round swine showings. The facility would be funded by money earned from successful passing of Industry Certification Exams.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Amanda Hickman noted the following changes to the agenda: (1) *Addition to Action Item 4.11 – Approve agreement with Fieldprint, Inc. for fingerprint services;* (2) *4.12 – Approve (2) Intervention teacher positions at Lafayette Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year pending funding.* Mrs. Hickman asked for a motion to adopt the agenda with the changes as noted above. On a motion by Mr. Darren Driver and a second by Ms. Marion McCray, the agenda was unanimously adopted.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the March 16, 2021 school board meeting were unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

The consent agenda item listed below was unanimously approved on a motion by Ms. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Darren Driver.

3.01 Approve FDLRS Project Application for 2021-2022

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.01 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PERSONNEL ITEMS** – Superintendent Edwards recommended approval of the personnel items listed below. After a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Ms. Marion McCray, the personnel items were unanimously approved.

4.01 (1) Notice of Retirement – Belinda DeGross, LHS Custodian. Mrs. DeGross's last day of employment will be April 16, 2021.

Notice of Retirement- Kathy McCray Adult Education Teacher. Mrs. McCray's last day of employment was March 30, 2021.

- 4.01 (2) Recommendations – Instructional– Approve Melissa Stewart for the Math Teacher position at Lafayette High School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Recommendations – Instructional- Approve Jessica Edwards for the Physical Education Teacher position at Lafayette High School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Recommendations- Instructional- Approve Amy Knight for the ELA Teacher position at Lafayette High School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Recommendations- Instructional- Approve Billy Shows for the part time ABE and GED Teacher position at Lafayette High School for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

Recommendations- Instructional- Approve the following individuals for the 2021-2022 school year.

Billy Shows- part time ABE and GED Teacher

Dana Putnal- part time ABE and GED Teacher

Lisa Hancock- part time Adult Ed/GED Testing Coordinator

Recommendations- Bus Driver- Approve Ralee Moseley for the Bus Driver position pending satisfactorily completing all employment requirements.

- 4.01 (3) Approve request for "Illness in the Line of Duty" Leave- Approve Wade Ducksworth, Maintenance, for 6.0 hours of ILD leave for March 22, 2021.

- 4.01 (4) Approve request for Family Medical Leave- Dana Jackson, Accounts Payable/Inventory Clerk, 12 weeks beginning on February 17, 2021.

- 4.01 (5) Notice of Resignation- Emily Beach, Teacher LHS, effective date June 11, 2021.

4.02 REVISIONS TO SCHOOL BOARD POLICY APPROVED FOR ADVERTISING –

Superintendent Edwards went over the revisions to policy *8.27 School Construction Bid*

Process. Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by

Mr. Darren Driver to approve the policy revisions for advertising. The vote was

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

meeting.

4.03 CONTROLLED OPEN ENROLLMENT PLAN APPROVED – Superintendent Edwards

presented the 2021-2022 Controlled Open Enrollment Plan for the School Board's review and approval. Controlled Open Enrollment provides parents/guardians with the opportunity to apply to a school other than the one to which their child is assigned based on their residential address. The Lafayette County Schools COE is governed by School Board Policy 5.033. Ms. Marion McCray moved to approve the 2021-2022 Controlled Open Enrollment Plan. Mr. Taylor McGrew gave the second which was unanimously approved. The 2021-2022 Controlled Open Enrollment Application window is May 1, 2021 – June 30, 2021. (COE Plan on file in district office)

4.04 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FUNDRAISER REQUESTS – The following fundraiser requests were presented for school board approval:

- (1) Principal's Positive- Camouflage Hornet hats
- (2) LHS Football- T-shirt endorsement, Hornet cards, Hour-O-Thon, Gold Tournament

All fundraiser requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Ms. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Darren Driver. (Fundraiser requests on file in district office)

4.05 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES CONTRACT WITH ANGELTRAX- Mr. Joey Pearson, Director of Support Services presented agreement with AngelTrax for the installation of bus cameras. Executing the agreement will be pending the funding provided by ESSER II or if it is otherwise determined that there is funding available through capital outlay funding. Following a motion by Ms. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Taylor McGrew the agreement was unanimously approved. (Agreement on file in district office)

4.06 CONTRACT WITH ENGINEERED COOLING SERVICES APPROVED- The School Board, on a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Ms. Marion McCray unanimously approved the contract with Engineered Cooling Services. The contract with Engineered Cooling Services is for upgrades to the current middle/high school HVAC system. Executing the contract will be pending funding provided through ESSER II or if it is otherwise determined that there is funding available through capital outlay funding.

4.07 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH EDGENUITY- On a motion by Ms. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker the School Board unanimously approved the Memorandum of Understanding with Edgenuity for fingerprinting and background checks for online teachers.

4.08 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BID EXTENSION – Mr. Darren Driver moved to extend The piggyback bid with Suwannee Co. for Bassett’s Dairy Products for one additional year, beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Ms. Marion McCray gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous. The terms and conditions will remain the same as the original contract.

4.09 MTSS COORDINATOR POSITIONS APPROVED BY SCHOOL BOARD- The School Board approved two MTSS Coordinator positions for Lafayette Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year. These positions will be providing Reading intervention to students and heading up the DOE School District Intensive Reading Initiative Pilot Program in Reading for 4th and 5th grade. Ten schools are participating in the program. Lafayette District Schools is one of the small district participants. A motion was made by Ms. Marion McCray, second by Mr. Taylor McGrew the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.10 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS – The budget amendments named below were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Ms. Marion McCray: General Fund No. 4; Contract Program Fund No. 7; CO & DS #1.

4.11 AGREEMENT WITH FIELDPRINT, INC. APPROVED- The school board unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Darren Driver an agreement with Lafayette County School Board and Fieldprint, Inc. for fingerprinting services. (Agreement on file in the District Office)

4.12 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES (2) INTERVENTION TEACHER POSITIONS- On a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Ms. Marion McCray the school board unanimously approved two Intervention Teacher positions at Lafayette Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year pending funding.

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

5.01 Principal's Monthly Financial Report on Internal Funds

5.02 Financial Statement

5.03 March Invoices 2021

5.04 Calendar of Events for April, May, & June 2021

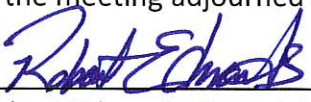
6. CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input today.

ADJOURNMENT

With business complete, Mrs. Amanda Hickman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.


Amanda Hickman ATTEST:
Amanda Hickman, Chairperson


Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board