

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 21, 2026

The Lafayette County School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Lafayette County School District Administrative Office. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Darren Driver, Chairperson; Mrs. Marion McCray, Vice Chair; Mrs. Kimberly Adams, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; and Mrs. Leenette McMillan, School Board Attorney. Also present were Deputy Bobby Lawson and Administrators Mr. Scott Sadler, Director of Support Services, Mr. Stewart Hancock, Principal LHS, and Mrs. Janene Fitzpatrick, Director of Teaching and Learning.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Darren Driver, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Taylor McGrew gave the invocation, and Mr. Robert Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - The students named below were recognized for being selected *Student of the*

Month for April 2026:

LES K-2- Caroline Rondon

LHS Middle School- Harley Huggins

LES 3-5- Breanna Perez-Binuelo

LHS High School- Scarlett Hamlin

Each student received congratulations from the Superintendent and School Board along with a Certificate of Award and Student of the Month notebook.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously adopted on a motion from Mr. Taylor McGrew and second by Mrs. Marion, McCray with the following changes:

Addition

4.20 Approve Leenette McMillan to represent the District in the current due process request proceedings retro to April 13, 2026 through conclusion.

Removal

4.12 Approve Student Progression Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on March 17, 2026, were unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Kimberly Adams and a second by Mr. Taylor McGrew.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items for approval this month.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.01 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PERSONNEL ITEMS-

The following personnel items, as recommended by Superintendent Edwards, were unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray:

4.01 (1) Personnel Recommendations:

- Approved Ana Monroy as a full-time Food Service Worker at Lafayette Elementary School for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.
- Approved Brandi Creech as a part-time Food Service Worker for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.
- Approved the following for employment as Substitute Instructional Personnel for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year:

Cameron Gonzales- LES, LHS
Courtney Maya- LES, LHS
Alondra Escamilla- LES
Brittany Johnson- LES, LHS

Allen Hawkins- LES, LHS
Ashley Alvarez- LHS
Ladasia Brown- LES, LHS

- Approved the following for employment as Substitutes in the capacity designated for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year:

Courtney Maya- Food Service & Custodian
Brittany Johnson- Food Service & Custodian
Tara Del Toro- Food Service & Custodian

4.01 (2) Resignations:

- Approved resignation from Kimberley Meyer, Part-time Food Service Worker at Lafayette Elementary School effective April 7, 2026.

4.01 (3) Notice of Retirement:

- Approved Notice of Retirement from Tim Hanson, Dean at Lafayette High School effective June 30, 2026

4.01 (4) Family Medical Leave:

- Approved Deborah Gordon for a total of 25 working days of Family Medical Leave. (March 30,31, April 1-3, 6-10, 20-24, 27-30, and May 1, 4-8, 2026)

4.02 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES CONTROLLED OPEN ENROLLMENT PLAN FOR THE 2026-2027

SCHOOL YEAR- Mrs. Janene Fitzpatrick, Director of Teaching and Learning, presented the Controlled Open Enrollment Plan for the 2026-2027 school year and answered any questions. The Controlled Open Enrollment Plan was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

4.03 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FUNDRAISER REQUESTS-

The following fundraiser requests were unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker:

- Beta Club: Popcorn Fridays, Lunch for Staff, Pageant, Cake Auction, Spring Middle School Dance, and Chicken and Rice Dinner.

4.04 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FSBA ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEMBER AND ALTERNATE FOR

2026-2027- Mrs. Kimberly Adams and Mr. Darren Driver were identified as the current FSBA Advocacy Committee Member and Alternate. Mrs. Marion McCray made the motion for Mrs. Kimberly Adams and Mr. Darren Driver to continue serving. Mr. Jeff Walker seconded the motion and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.05 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES MOU WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF NORTH CENTRAL

FLORIDA- The Memorandum of Understanding with the Boys and Girls Club of North Central Florida was

unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker. (MOU on file in District Office)

4.06 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FSU INTERN TEACHER AGREEMENT FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL

YEAR- The FSU Intern Teacher Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

4.07 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH NUTRISLICE- Mr. Scott Sadler

explained that the Nutrislice service provides for the posting of our school breakfast and lunch menus on the District website in compliance with state requirements. The contract renewal was unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker.

4.08 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES USE OF A SCHOOL BUS AND DRIVER BY LAFAYETTE COUNTY 4-H-

Mr. Scott Sadler, Director of Support Services, explained this is for a camp that is put on at Cherry Lake however, due to current renovations taking place campers are unable to stay overnight and the Lafayette County 4-H has been given additional funding to accommodate a bus and driver to transport back and forth daily June 8-11, 2026. The request was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

PUBLIC HEARING – SCHOOL START TIMES (6:30 P.M.) At 6:30 p.m., Mr. Darren Driver convened the scheduled public hearing and opened the floor for public comment regarding School Start Times. There was no public comment. The regular meeting reconvened at this time.

4.09 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES TEMPORARY SUMMER POSITIONS- Mr. Scott Sadler, Director of

Support Services, explained he would need five temporary positions for the maintenance tasks needed for summer work. Three full-time workers for floor refinishing, one full-time painter, and one part-time

custodian. The positions were unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

4.10 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES SUMMER SCHOOL SCHEDULE- Mrs. Janene Fitzpatrick, Director of Teaching and Learning, provided the Board with the 2025-2026 summer school schedule and answered any questions. The 2025-2026 summer school schedule was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

4.11 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES SUMMER SCHOOL POSITIONS REQUEST- The request for summer school positions was unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

ITEM 4.12 WAS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

4.13 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES ELA TEXTBOOK ADOPTION- Mrs. Janene Fitzpatrick, Director of Teaching and Learning Services, provided the Board with information regarding ELA instructional materials under consideration for adoption, including *Florida Benchmark Advance* by Benchmark Education for Lafayette Elementary School and *Florida StudySync* by McGraw-Hill, LLC for Lafayette High School. The adoption was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

4.14 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES MOU WITH UNITED WAY OF SUWANNEE VALLEY, INC- The Memorandum of Understanding with United Way of Suwannee Valley, Inc., with the addition of a Student Data Privacy addendum, was unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Kimberly Adams and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

4.15 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES AGREEMENT WITH ELECTRONACA, INC- Superintendent Edwards

explained that this agreement is necessary for compliance with E-Rate requirements, which require the District to have agreements in place with all service providers. The agreement with Electronaca, Inc. was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

4.16 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES E-RATE AGREEMENT WITH HOWARD TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS-

The E-Rate agreement with Howard Technology Solutions was unanimously approved pending the change of governing law provision to reflect Lafayette County, Florida, following a motion by Mrs. Kimberly Adams and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

4.17 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES TESTING CENTER AGREEMENT- Superintendent Edwards explained that

this agreement was necessary for the testing done through our Career and Technical Education courses for certification testing. The Testing Center agreement was unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Kimberly Adams and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

4.18 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES STUDY WITH FLEHT- Superintendent Edwards explained the various

insurance options previously explored and the need to further evaluate participation with the Florida Educator's Health Trust. Mr. Ted Roush, Executive Director of FLEHT, was available to answer any Board members questions. The study with FLEHT was unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Kimberly Adams and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

4.19 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS- The following budget amendment was

unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams: Contract Program #4

4.20 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES REPRESENTATION FOR DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS- Mrs. Kimberly

Adams made the motion to approve Leenette McMillan to represent the District in the current due process request proceedings retro to April 13, 2026, through conclusion of the proceedings. Mr. Taylor McGrew seconded the motion and the vote for approval was unanimous.

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The Board received the following items for information:

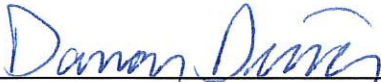
- 5.01 Principal's Monthly Financial Report on Internal Funds
- 5.02 March Invoices
- 5.03 Financial Statement

6. CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input.

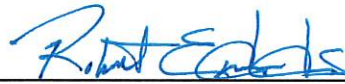
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.



Darren Driver, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board