

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 19, 2025

The Lafayette County School Board convened in regular session, Tuesday August 19, 2025, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Darren Driver, Chairperson; Mrs. Marion McCray, Vice-Chair; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; Mrs. Kimberly Adams, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; and Mrs. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney. Administrators present were Mrs. Tammi Maund, Director of Finance, Mr. Gerald Powers, Director of School Safety, Mr. Scott Sadler, Director of Support Services, Mrs. Janene Fitzpatrick, Director of Teaching and Learning Services, Mr. Stewart Hancock, LHS Principal, and Mrs. Lisa Newman, LES Principal.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Darren Driver called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., and gave the invocation, Mr. Robert Edwards led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

There were no recognitions/presentations for the month of August.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Darren Driver asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. The agenda was unanimously approved following a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the July 15, 2025, Regular Board Meeting and July 28, 2025, Public Budget Hearing were unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and seconded by Mrs. Marion McCray.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items this month.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.01 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PERSONNEL ITEMS – The personnel items listed below, as recommended by Superintendent Edwards, were unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray:

(1) Personnel Recommendations –

- Approved Alicia Marzullo as a volunteer with the Volleyball Program for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Approved Kelby Lyons as a volunteer with the Volleyball Program for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting eligibility requirements.
- Approved Libby Beach as a volunteer with the Volleyball Program for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting eligibility requirements.
- Approved Jonathan McCray as a volunteer with the Golf Program for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting eligibility requirements.
- Approved Garth Sherrell as a volunteer with FBLA for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting eligibility requirements.
- Approved Brooke Walding as an Intern from the University of Florida with the Ag Department, pending meeting eligibility requirements.
- Approved Tyler Wimberley as a Grounds Maintenance Technician for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting employment eligibility requirements.
- Approved Rochelle Ainsworth as a Substitute Food Service Worker for the 2025-2026 school year, pending meeting employment eligibility requirements.

4.02 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES- After a time of brief discussion Mrs. Kimberly Adams made the motion to approve the FSLRS/FEN Annual Membership Dues for the 2025-2026 The motion was seconded by Mr. Jeff Walker and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.03 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FS3 MEMBERSHIP DUES- Mr. Taylor McGrew made the motion to approve the Florida Association of School Safety Specialists (FS3) Membership Dues for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Marion McCray seconded the motion and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.04 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES AGREEMENT WITH ALL AMERICAN PUBLISHING- After a time of brief discussion Mrs. Kimberly Adams made the motion to approve the agreement with All American Publishing for the Athletics Program for the 2025-2026 school year. Mr. Taylor McGrew seconded the motion and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.05 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PROJECT PRIORITY LIST – Mr. Scott Sadler explained that participation in the Special Facilities Funding process designates that project as the top priority. He further noted that it takes precedence over routine maintenance and other projects that would typically be on the Project Priority List. Mr. Jeff Walker made a motion to approve the Project Priority List. It was seconded by Mrs. Kimberly Adams and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.06 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES PROFESSIONAL LEARNING CATALOG- Following a time of discussion Mrs. Marion McCray made the motion to approve additions/revisions to the 2025-2026 Professional Learning Catalog. Mr. Jeff Waker seconded the motion and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.07 PUBLIC HEARING-SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES- At 6:30p.m., Chairperson Darren Driver stated that the School Board would hold a public hearing to consider approval of the following revised school board policies, as advertised:

<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Policy Title</u>
3.06	Revision	Safe and Secure Schools
3.30	Revision	Automatic External Defibrillator
5.04	Revision	Student Attendance
5.13	Revision	Zero Tolerance for School Related Crimes
5.15 Option 1	Revision	Administration of Medication
5.25 Option 2	Revision	Student Use of Cellular Telephones/Devices
5.35	Revision	Foreign Exchange Students
6.17	Revision	Employment of Non-degreed Personnel
6.19	Revision	Certification of Administrative and Instructional Personnel
6.103 Option 2	Revision	Appointment or Employee Requirements
6.216	Revision	Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)
8.02	Revision	Marjory Stoneman Douglass School Safety
8.13	Revision	Student Transportation
8.28	Revision	Change Orders

The public hearing was conducted with no public comment. Mr. Jeff Walker made the motion to approve the revised policies as advertised. Mrs. Kimberly Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. The regular meeting resumed at this time. (School Board policies are on file in district office and district website)

4.08 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FOOTBALL PARTICIPATING IN TMOBILE SWEEPSTAKES-

Mr. Jeff Walker made the motion to approve the football program participating in the T-Mobile Friday Night

Lights Promotion Sweepstakes. Mrs. Kimberly Adams made the second and the vote to approve was unanimous.

4.09 SCHOOL BOARD AWARDS BID FOR EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE- Mr. Lance Braswell, Insurance Agent, met with the School Board to discuss the district's employee health insurance and benefits for the 2025–2026 school year. He presented the insurance bids he had received and reviewed on behalf of district employees. Mr. Braswell explained that rates would be increasing due to the ratio of premium costs to claims paid. He further noted that there were other comparable plans available through Blue Cross Blue Shield, which, while still reflecting an increase in premiums, would result in a lower monthly cost to employees. After reviewing the plans offered by Blue Cross Blue Shield and following discussion, Mrs. Marion McCray made a motion to approve moving forward with the Blue Cross Blue Shield Alternate Plan for this year. Mr. Taylor McGrew seconded the motion. The motion carried with votes from Mr. Darren Driver, Mr. Jeff Walker, Mrs. Marion McCray, and Mr. Taylor McGrew in favor. Mrs. Kimberly Adams voted in opposition. (Insurance information on file in district office)

4.10 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FUNDRAISERS- The following fundraiser requests were unanimously approved\ on a motion from Mr. Jeff Walker and seconded by Mrs. Kimberly Adams:

- 6th grade sponsors Class of 2032
- Class of 2031 Kona Ice Truck Sale September 19, 2025

4.11 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES TUTORING AWARD AGREEMENT- Mrs. Lisa Newman, Principal at LES explained this agreement helped provide funding that gave high schoolers the opportunity to tutor elementary aged students and be compensated for it. After a time of discussion Mrs. Marion McCray made to motion to approve the Tutoring Award Agreement with the University of Florida. Mr. Jeff Walker seconded the motion and the voter for approval was unanimous.

4.12 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS- The following budget amendments were unanimously approved on a motion from Mrs. Kimberly Adams and seconded by Mr. Jeff Walker: General Fund #6, #7,#8,#9, and #10, Contract Program Fund #7, and Capital Outlay and Debt Service #3

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

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

6. CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input today.


ADJOURNMENT

With business complete Mr. Darren Driver declared the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.



Darren Driver, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board