

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

WORKSHOP, FEBRUARY 16, 2016

The Lafayette County School Board held a workshop on Tuesday, February 16, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Amanda Hickman, Chairperson; Mrs. Marion McCray, Vice Chair; Mr. Darren Driver, Member; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; and Ms. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney.

Food Service Program

The purpose of the workshop was to continue discussion on how we can improve our food service program. (It was noted that this was the topic of discussion at the workshop held on January 19, 2016 – see Minutes). Superintendent Edwards and Joey Pearson, Director of Support Services, talked more with the Board regarding the direction we should go as we work to improve food services for our students. Outsourcing of food services, as discussed in workshops held earlier this year, was reviewed. Mr. Edwards advised that should the district elect to go this route, we will need to send out Requests for Proposals in the very near future as this process will take some time to finalize.

Mr. Joey Pearson reported on the plan prepared by Mr. Kern Halls after his visit to our schools last month. It was noted that Mr. Halls is a School Foodservice Consultant and Chief Innovator of Ingenious Culinary Concepts. The Department of Education has contracted with Mr. Halls to work with school districts in improving their food service programs. Mr. Halls prepared an action plan outlining his recommendations on things our district can do to improve in this area. Mr. Pearson reviewed the recommendations and received input from board members as well as cafeteria workers who were present for the workshop. The Board expressed that they would like to provide more

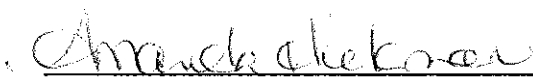
training opportunities for our food service personnel. Mr. Pearson stated that he is working on this and that he has scheduled a chef to come in on February 22 (Professional Development Day) to work with our food service personnel.


Discussion continued. Mr. Pearson stated that several items listed on the plan could be implemented immediately with others to follow as funds become available. He added that our current focus will be directed toward the high school cafeteria. After much discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to pursue the action plan recommended by Mr. Halls. It was the general feeling of those present that implementing these recommended items, as funds become available, can improve student participation in the school food service program.

(The Action Plan prepared by Mr. Halls is on file with Supplemental Minutes)

Adjourn

The workshop was declared adjourned at 5:55 p.m.


Amanda Hickman, Chairperson

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

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REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 16, 2016

The Lafayette County School Board convened in regular session, February 16, 2016 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Amanda Hickman, Chairperson; Mrs. Marion McCray, Vice Chair; Mr. Darren Driver, Member; Mr. Jeff Walker, Member; Mr. Taylor McGrew, Member; and Ms. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Amanda Hickman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Taylor McGrew gave the invocation and Superintendent Edwards led the Pledge to the Flag.

CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input today.

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

STUDENT OF THE MONTH - The students named below were recognized for being selected *Student of the Month* for February 2016:

LES (K-2) – Brycen Troutman
LES (3-5) – Gage McCray

LMS – Sophia Celedon
LHS – Gabrielle Perry

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

Mrs. Hickman noted a change to the consent agenda: (1) Addition to *Consent Item 3.01 (a) Recommendations – Volunteer Coaches - Approve Lance Lamb and Jason Yetton to serve as volunteer assistant coaches for the Middle School Softball program.* Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve this addition to the agenda. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second which was

unanimously approved. Mrs. Hickman asked for a motion to adopt the agenda including the change as noted above. Mr. Darren Driver moved to approve the agenda. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second. The agenda was unanimously adopted by the School Board.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the January 19 and February 4, 2016 school board meetings were unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker. (Minutes to be typed in official Minute Book)

3. CONSENT ITEMS

The consent agenda, as recommended by Superintendent Edwards, was presented for the Board's approval. Mr. Jeff Walker moved to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous. These items are described below:

- 3.01 **Personnel:** (a) Recommendation – Non-Instructional – Approved Shatara Blake for the VPK Paraprofessional part-time position at Lafayette Elementary School for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.

Recommendation – Substitute Workers – Approved Luis Huerta Dominguez and Gwen Watkins as substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year. They have completed all requirements to serve as a substitute teacher.

Recommendation – Volunteer Coaches – Approved Lance Lamb and Jason Yetton to serve as volunteer assistant coaches for MS Softball program for the 2015-2016 school year, pending their completion of all requirements.

(b) Approved request for family medical leave: Brittany Camielle, Teacher at LES. Tentative dates are May 2-26, 2016.

- 3.02 Approved request for Brian "Alex" Scarborough to attend school in Lafayette County for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
- 3.03 Approved requests for the following students to participate in the dual enrollment program at NFCC: Haley A. Murray, Devin Morris.

4. ACTION ITEMS

- 4.01 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES AUDIT REPORT** – Report No. 2016-078, a Financial, Operational, and Federal Single Audit of Lafayette County District School Board, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 was presented for the Board’s approval. Superintendent Edwards advised that the audit did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over the district’s financial reporting and that the audit disclosed no instances of noncompliance. The Superintendent and School Board commended the district finance staff for a job well done. Following discussion, Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the audit report. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. Motion carried unanimously. (Audit Report on file at district office)
- 4.02 **PUBLIC HEARING – SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES** - At 6:30 p.m., Chairperson Amanda Hickman stated that the School Board would now hold a public hearing in order to consider approval of the following, as advertised: (1) New school board policies – *Service Animals (replaces existing policy), School Health Services, Notification of Involuntary Examination, Grant Management*; (2) Revisions/updates to various school board policies based on legislative changes and to reflect editorial, grammatical, and citation edits. The public hearing was conducted with no public comment. Mr. Darren Driver moved to approve the new policies and revisions/updates, as advertised. Mrs. Marion McCray seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. The regular meeting resumed at this time. (School Board Policy Manual on file in district office)
- 4.03 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FBLA TRIP REQUEST AND CHAPERONE LIST** – On a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Darren Driver, the following trip request was

unanimously approved by the School Board: *FBLA State Conference in Orlando, FL, March 11-14, 2016*. The School Board also approved a list of parents to transport students while at the conference, if needed, contingent upon a satisfactory driver's license record check and the appropriate insurance. It was noted that the majority of those named on the chaperone list are employees of the school board and have already been approved to transport students should the need arise. The list of chaperones is on file with Supplemental Minutes.

4.04 **FUNDRAISER REQUESTS APPROVED BY SCHOOL BOARD** – The fundraiser requests listed below were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray: (1) LES Awards & Incentives – Sale of Earth Day Shirts, March 1-14, 2016; (2) FBLA – Bake Sale, February 20, 2016; FBLA Jeans Thursdays (teachers/staff pay to wear jeans on Thursdays) beginning Feb. 18 and ending March 10, 2016.

4.05 **BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT** – The bill list as presented ready for payment, was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and second by Mr. Jeff Walker. (Bill list on file with Supplemental Minutes)

4.06 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS** – Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the budget amendments named below: General Fund No. 2; and Contracted Program Fund No. 6. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous.

5. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

5.01 *Principal's Monthly Financial Report on Internal Funds.*

5.02 *Purchase Orders.*

5.03 *Financial Statement.*


5.04 *Basketball Scoreboards* – The Board discussed purchasing new scoreboards for the gym. Mr. Taylor McGrew suggested that we contact local and corporate vendors about contributing to the cost of new scoreboards as this would be a method for them to advertise. Athletics internal accounts and booster clubs may also want to contribute.

5.05 *ALICE Training* – SRO Tysall invited board members to participate in ALICE training which is scheduled to be held at LHS on Monday, February 22, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

With business complete, Mrs. Amanda Hickman declared the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.


Amanda Hickman, Chairperson

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