

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING, DECEMBER 17, 2024

The Lafayette County School Board convened in regular session, Tuesday, December 17, 2024, 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 Mr. Scott Sadler, Director of Support Services, Mrs. Lisa Newman, LES Principal, and Mr. Stewart Hancock, LHS Principal.

CALL TO ORDER

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

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

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

Month for December 2024:

LES K-2- Lenorris Cook

LHS Middle School- Mason Zimmer

LES 3-5- Jazael Castillo Monroy

LHS High School- Jade Hebel

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 following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the November 6, 2024, Workshop, November 19, 2024, Organizational Meeting, and November 19, 2024, Regular Board Meeting were unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items for 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. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker:

4.01(1) Personnel Recommendations-

- Approved Jeremy Shiver as the Grounds Maintenance Technician for Lafayette County School District for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.
- Approved Samantha Chestnut for a Paraprofessional position at Lafayette Elementary School for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting employment eligibility requirements.
- Approved Janene Fitzpatrick as Director of Teaching and Learning Services for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting employment eligibility requirements.
- Approved Sarah Warren as a Full-Time Bus Driver for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.
- Approved Bruce Donaldson as a Full-Time Substitute Bus Driver for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting employment eligibility requirements.

4.01 (2) Notice of Retirement-

- Approved retirement notice from Cathy Palomino effective June 30, 2025.
- Approved retirement notice from Becky Fletcher effective June 30, 2025.

4.01 (3) Request for Family Medical Leave-

- Approved extending family medical leave for Coley Hingson until December 23, 2024.
- Approved family medical leave for Kim Edwards from December 11, 2024- December 23, 2024, and January 6, 2025- February 14, 2025, for a total of 37 days.

4.01 (4) Resignations-

- Approved resignation from Susan Bush, Bus Driver effective December 20, 2024.

4.02 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES OFFICE OF EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY REPORT- Mrs.

Marion McCray moved to approve the Florida Department of Education Office of Equal Educational Opportunity report for 2022-2024. Mr. Jeff Walker seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. (OEEO report on file in district office)

4.03 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES TRIP REQUESTS- The following trip requests were unanimously approved on a motion from Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Kimberly Adams:

- FBLA District Competition on January 15, 2025
- 1st grade to Crayola Experience Orlando, FL April 25, 2025.

4.04 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES ARTICULATION AGREEMENT WITH RIVEROAK TECHNICAL COLLEGE-

After a time of discussion Mr. Taylor McGrew made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 Career Dual Enrollment Articulation Agreement with Riveroak Technical College. Mrs. Marion McCray seconded the motion and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.05 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FUNDRAISER REQUEST- The following fundraiser request was unanimously approved on a motion from Mr. Jeff Walker and a second from Mrs. Kimberly Adams.

- FBLA to raffle various gift cards at a basketball and soccer game.

4.06 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES A REPRESENTATIVE FOR SSDCC- Mr. Darren Driver made a motion to nominate Mrs. Kimberly Adams to be the representative for the Small School District Council Consortium, it was seconded by Mr. Jeff Walker and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.07 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES AGREEMENT WITH ECTAC – Mr. Robert Edwards explained the services East Coast Technical Assistance Center would provide for our school district and after a time of discussion Mrs. Marion McCray made a motion to approve the agreement. Mrs. Kimberly Adams seconded the motion and the vote for approval was unanimous.

4.08 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES A SICK LEAVE PAYOUT OPTION FOR DROP PARTICIPANTS- Mr. Robert Edwards recommended that board members approve option #1 to grandfather in all five (5) current DROP

members to receive full payout for sick leave balances for any sick leave accrued before and during the DROP period. Following the Superintendent's recommendation the board unanimously approved Option #1 on a motion from Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker.

4.09 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BID TO REPLACE AG POLE BARN- Mr. Scott Sadler explained they had reached out to five (5) different business for bids on this project and only received three (3) bids. He further explained the bids provided were for the same work comparatively. After some time of discussion Mrs. Marion McCray made a motion to approve the bid from Poor Boys, Mr. Taylor McGrew seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

4.10 SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS- The following budget amendments were unanimously approved on a motion from Mr. Jeff Walker and a second by Mrs. Marion McCray: General Fund #2 and Contract Program Fund #2.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

5.01 Principal's Monthly Financial Report on Internal Funds

5.02 November 2024 Invoices

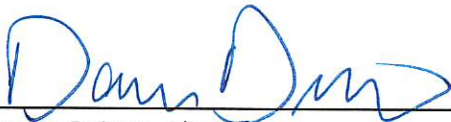
5.03 Financial Statement

6. CITIZEN INPUT

There was no citizen input today.


ADJOURNMENT

With business complete Mr. Darren Driver declared the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.



Darren Driver, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board