

MINUTES

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

WORKSHOP, JANUARY 19, 2016

The Lafayette County School Board held a workshop on Tuesday, January 19, 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 discuss how we can make our food service program better. Superintendent Edwards and Joey Pearson, Director of Support Services, talked 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.

In regard to outsourcing food services, Mr. Edwards stated that Joey Pearson has spent the past several days researching this. Mr. Pearson reported on his findings, stating that he has spoken with personnel from the Dept. of Education (DOE) as well as a couple of school districts that currently outsource their food services. Mr. Pearson stated that the school districts he spoke with did express that there have been issues, some of which were: sharing a food service manager with another school district, some employees working for the outsourcing company while some elect to remain employed by the school district, and the use of the cafeteria by school clubs and community organizations.

Mr. Pearson also reported on his talks with DOE personnel about what assistance they may be able to provide in our efforts to improve our food service program. Mr. Pearson explained that our food service fund is in good shape since we've begun participation in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) at Lafayette Elementary School. (CEP allows qualifying schools to offer breakfast and lunch at no cost to all students without requiring families to complete an annual household application.) He noted that we have increased revenue in food service that must be reinvested in our food service program. Mr. Pearson talked with DOE about how we can best use this money. He went on to say that DOE has contracted with Mr. Kern Halls, School Foodservice Consultant and Chief Innovator of Ingenious Culinary Concepts, to work with school districts in improving their food service programs. Mr. Halls visited our schools today, assessing our cafeterias and meeting with Joey Pearson, Superintendent Edwards, and our cafeteria manager. He also met with a group of students to gain their input. Mr. Halls will take the information he gathered today and develop an action plan for improving our food service program. The action plan should be ready in a couple of weeks. Mr. Pearson stated that should the School Board decide to go this route, we would most likely need to implement the plan in phases as funds become available.

The Superintendent and School Board agreed that another workshop should be held to further discuss this matter. The action plan being prepared by Mr. Hall will be reviewed at the workshop.

Other Concerns

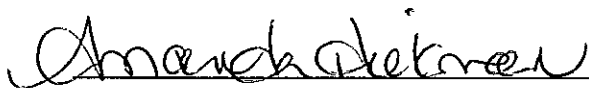
Clean-up of Gym after Basketball Games - Discussion was held concerning clean-up of the gym following basketball games. Mr. McGrew asked if a custodian was assigned to clean the gym after games. He stated that a few boosters were currently staying after games to clean up. Having inmates clean the gym on Sundays was also mentioned. Joey Pearson noted that the scoreboard in the gym is not working and that the part has been ordered for its repair.

Thank You Letter from 1st Grade Teachers – Mr. Edwards shared a letter received from first grade teachers thanking the superintendent and school board for their contribution to the faculty paint party held before Christmas.

Lighting at LES Parking Lot – Superintendent Edwards reported that we are still working to get the lighting issue corrected at the LES parking lot.

Adjourn

With all items discussed, 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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LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 19, 2016

The Lafayette County School Board convened in regular session, January 19, 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. Darren Driver 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 December 2015:

LES (K-2) – Maggie Day

LMS – Abby Garland

LES (3-5) – Addison Folsom

LHS – Brandon Baumgardner

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 asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. 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 December 15, 2015 school board meeting were unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew and a second by Mr. Darren Driver. (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. Taylor McGrew 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 Danielle Simms for the Pre-Kindergarten Paraprofessional position at Lafayette Elementary School for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.

(b) Recommendation – Substitute Teacher – Approved Niki Shaw as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year. Mrs. Shaw has completed all requirements to serve as a substitute teacher.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.01 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR USE OF LHS GYM** – A request from the Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners for use of the LHS Gym for the county youth basketball program was presented for the School Board's approval. The request was unanimously approved on a motion by Mrs. Marion McCray and a second by Mr. Darren Driver. The youth basketball league will use the gym on Saturday mornings from January 9, 2016 through March 5, 2016.

- 4.02 **PERSONNEL APPROVED TO GO ON EIGHTH GRADE TRIP** – Following discussion, Mr. Jeff Walker moved to approve the individuals named below to go on the 8th grade trip to Washington, D.C. and Lancaster, Pennsylvania: Amy Sullivan and Janna Walker, 8th grade sponsors, with trip expenses to be paid by the 8th grade class; and Law Enforcement Officer, Kyle Johnson, with trip expenses to be paid by the school board. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second which was unanimously approved. The trip is scheduled for March 18-24, 2016.
- 4.03 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES POLICIES FOR ADVERTISING** – The following was presented for the School Board’s review and approval for advertising: (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. Following discussion, Mr. Taylor McGrew moved to approve the new policies and policy revisions for advertising. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous. A public hearing will be held on this matter at the next regular school board meeting.
- 4.04 **FUNDRAISER REQUEST APPROVED** – Mr. Jeff Walker moved to approve the following fundraiser request: *LHS Yearbook – Candy Sale, January 20-31, 2016*. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4.05 **BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT** - The bill list was presented for the Board’s review and approval for payment. In regard to the invoices listed for the softball and baseball scoreboards, Mrs. Amanda Hickman asked if the athletics internal account would be

contributing to the cost for these scoreboards. Tammi Maund advised that the school board will pay the invoices upfront, adding that athletics internal accounts and booster clubs will reimburse the board for a portion of the cost. It was noted that Coke may also contribute to the cost of the scoreboards. Following a motion by Mr. Taylor McGrew, with a second by Mr. Darren Driver, the bill list was unanimously approved for payment. (Bill list on file with Supplemental Minutes)


- 4.06 **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENTS** – The budget amendment listed below was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Darren Driver and a second by Mr. Jeff Walker: *Contracted Program No. 5.*

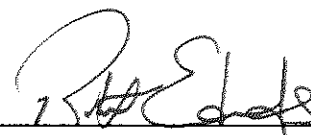
5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 5.01 *Principal's Monthly Financial Report on Internal Funds.*
- 5.02 *Purchase Orders.*
- 5.03 *Financial Statement.*

ADJOURNMENT

With business complete, Mr. Jeff Walker made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Darren Driver gave the second. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.


Amanda Hickman, Chairperson

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


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LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
EXECUTIVE SESSION, FEBRUARY 4, 2016


The Lafayette County School Board met in Executive Session on Thursday, February 4, 2016 beginning at 12:00 noon. 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; Ms. Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, School Board Attorney; Mrs. Tammi Maund, Finance Director. Mrs. Gina Hart, Chief Negotiator, was not present.

The purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss employee negotiations for the 2015-2016 school year.

ADJOURN

Following discussion, the Executive Session was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.


Amanda Hickman, Chairperson

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

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LAFAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
EMERGENCY MEETING, FEBRUARY 4, 2016

The Lafayette County School Board held an emergency meeting on February 4, 2016 immediately following their executive session. 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.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Amanda Hickman called the meeting to order.

2. ACTION ITEMS


2.01 Recommendations – Volunteer Coaches: Superintendent Edwards recommended that Paul Lamb and Bobby Winburn be approved to serve as volunteer assistant coaches for our MS Softball program for the 2015-2016 school year, pending their completion of all requirements. Mr. Darren Driver moved to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. Mrs. Marion McCray gave the second. The vote for approval was unanimous.

3. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.


Amanda Hickman, Chairperson

ATTEST:


Robert Edwards, Superintendent
and Secretary to the School Board