GULF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

The Gulf County School Board met in regular session Tuesday, August 11, 2015, at 8:45 C. T. (Agenda Workshop), and 9:25 C. T. (Board Meeting) at Wewahitchka High School. Superintendent Norton, Attorney Costin, and the following board members were present: Chairman Danny Little, Billy C. Quinn, Jr., Linda R. Wood, and Brooke Wooten. Mr. Wright was out of town.

Agenda Workshop: The Board reviewed amendments to the day's agenda packet.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA:

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 9:27. Wewahitchka High School senior Mallory Peak led everyone in the pledge.
- **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** On motion by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mrs. Wood the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended agenda to include the addition of pages 3.01-3.05, 8.01 8.03, 10-10.01, and 13.07-13.11.
- **HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC:** Representative Halsey Beshears greeted the Board and audience and updated them on the status of House Bill 27 which could potentially provide some relief to the District in the area of sparsity funding.

The Board recognized Mallory Peak as the newly-crowned *Miss Gulf County*. She will go on to represent Gulf County in the Miss Northwest Florida Competition in November. Mallory thanked Superintendent Norton and the Board for allowing her to take part in the board meeting preliminaries.

CONSENT ITEMS: On motion by Mr. Wooten and seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted unanimously to take the following action

Approved the July 27 Minutes, and (SM: 15/16 - 022)

SM: 15/16 - 023)

Approved Budget Matters and Payment of Bills, including the 2015 Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) with Capital City Bank, and

<u>PERSONNEL</u>: (SM: 15/16 – 024)

Approved maternity leave for Aracely Aguirre beginning August 21 through approximately October 5, and

Approved Debbie Childress for an ESE teaching position at Port St. Joe Elementary School effective August 10, 2015, and

Approved Zachery Martinez as the Wewahitchka Elementary School P.E. paraprofessional effective August 12, 2015, and

Approved Melinda Joy Booth as a paraprofessional at Port St. Joe Elementary School effective August 12, 2015, and

Approved Marcella Cowart as a school food service worker at Wewahitchka Elementary School effective August 12, 2015, and

Approved a 3-hour paraprofessional position for the Wewahitchka Elementary School Pre-K classroom, and

Approved the following 21st Century Community Learning Centers Personnel for 2015-2016:

Jo Clements, Lisa Stripling, Valerie Clayton, Stephanie Bailey, Misty Harper, Lynn Stockton, Shelly Oliver, Cindy Phillips, Tonya Plair, Joni White, Brenda Wood, Janice Adkison, Karen Minger, Carolyn Ranie, Elizabeth Davis, Angie Suber, and Paulette Best, and

Approved Joshua Dailey be paid for his planning period, and

Approved Amanda Thomas as a school food service substitute, and

Approved Terri Browning as a substitute bus driver, contingent upon her passing the CDL test.

On separate motion by Mrs. Wood and seconded by Mr. Wooten the Board voted 3-0 to approve Eric Langston as a bus driver effective August 17, 2015. (Mr. Quinn abstained from voting on this item because Mr. Langston is his nephew.)

STUDENT MATTERS: (SM: 15/16 – 025)

On motion by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mrs. Wood the Board voted unanimously to allow Calhoun County resident Austin Cain to attend Gulf County Schools for the 2015-2016 school year as approved by Calhoun County School District.

Note: There was lengthy discussion regarding the increasing number of requests from Franklin County residents for their children to attend school in Gulf County. Superintendent Norton and Attorney Costin agreed that this area is a very slippery slope for Gulf District Schools. Attorney Costin reiterated the importance of following current policy which requires Franklin County students to either establish residency in Gulf County or secure a release from their home district before being recommended for enrollment in Gulf County. Superintendent Norton suggested the Board conduct a workshop in the very near future to further address this issue and possibly revise the current policy to address hardships and extenuating circumstances.

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	On motion by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mrs. Wood the Board voted unanimously to deny the parental request for Franklin County residents Tanner and Ashton Amison to attend Gulf County Schools for the 2015-2016 school year pending approval from Franklin County School Board. The Franklin County School Board has previously denied this parental request.
	On motion by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mrs. Wood the Board voted unanimously to approve the parental request for Franklin County resident Davis McGee to attend Gulf County Schools for the 2015-2016 school year (as approved by Franklin County School Board) pending satisfactory review of the student's school records by Gulf's administrative staff.
	On motion by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mrs. Wood the Board voted unanimously to deny the parental request for Franklin County residents Brianca and Skye Huber to attend Gulf County Schools for the 2015-2016 school year pending approval from Franklin County School Board. The Franklin County School Board has previously denied this parental request.
V.	PROGRAM MATTERS: On motion by Mr. Wooten and seconded by Mrs. Wood the Board voted unanimously to take the following action:
	Approved the 2015-2016 Contract with PAEC for Value Added Model (VAM) Services, and (SM: 15/16 – 026)
	Approved the Student Attire Policy, and $(SM: 15/16 - 027)$
	Approved the 2015-2016 contract with Linda Walker for Professional Development (<i>Mathematics</i>), and (SM: 15/16 – 028)
	Approved the 2015-2016 Faculty Handbook, and (SM: $15/16 - 029$) \downarrow (SM: $15/16 - 030$)
	Approved the 2015-2016 Agreement with the Gulf County Sheriff's Department for School Resource Officers, and
	Approved the 2015-2016 Virtual School Contract with PAEC, and (SM: 15/16 – 031)
	Approved the 2015-2016 District-wide Student Handbook updated. (SM: 15/16 – 032)
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VI.	HIGHLAND VIEW PROPERTY:
VII.	SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:
VIII.	BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS: On motion by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Wooten the Board unanimously approved
	travel for the September 2-4 FSBA Board of Directors' meeting in Sarasota, FL.
	The Board agreed for the following to serve as their representatives on the Value Adjustment Board: (SM: 15/16 – 033) John Wright (Board Member), Linda R. Wood (Alternative Board Member), Jay Rish (Citizen Member)
IX.	ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Little adjourned the meeting at 10:33 A. M.
IA.	Chairman Entire adjourned the meeting at 10.33 N. M.