

GULF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Thursday, September 8, 2022

The Gulf County School Board met in regular session Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 5:00 (Agenda-Review Workshop) and 5:15 (Public Hearing on the 2022-2023 Budget, preceding the regular school board meeting) at their Administrative Office in Port St. Joe. Superintendent Norton, Attorney Costin, and the following Board Members were present: Vice-Chairman Ruby Knox, Cindy Belin, Marvin Davis, and Brooke Wooten. Vice-Chairman Knox presided in Chairman McGlon's absence.

Agenda-Review Workshop: The board reviewed the September 8 agenda packet.

BOARD MEETING:

I. CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chairman Knox called the meeting to order at 5:15.

II. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2022-2023 BUDGET: On separate motions as noted below, the board voted unanimously to approve the 2022-2023 Budget: (SM 22/23 – 037)

Required Local Effort	3.335	Mrs. Belin / Mr. Davis
Basic Discretionary	0.748	Mr. Wooten / Mr. Davis
Capital outlay	0.800	Mr. Davis / Mr. Wooten
Voted	1.000	Mrs. Belin / Mr. Davis

Final Budget Total of 5.883 (26.79% rollback rate) Mr. Wooten / Mr. Davis

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: On motion by Mr. Wooten and seconded by Mrs. Belin the board voted unanimously to approve the amended agenda to include the addition of pages 4.01A, 4.01B, 4.02-4.09, and 6-6.12.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Gulf County School Board went into a brief Executive Session to discuss matters related to bargaining.

(The public was asked to exit the board room during Executive Session and were invited to re-enter at the completion of the session.)

IV. CONSENT MATTERS: On motion by Mrs. Belin and seconded by Mr. Davis the board voted unanimously to take the following action:

- Approved the August 29 Minutes, and (SM 22/23 –038)
- Approved the 2021-2022 Annual Financial Report and (SM 22/23 –039)

PERSONNEL: (SM 22/23 –040)

- Approved teachers serving in the WES and PSJE Title I Tutoring Programs, and
- Approved teachers to tutor K-3 in ELA during their regular scheduled planning period, and
- Approved Charles “Woody” Borders’ letter of intent to enter DROP February 1, 2023, with an anticipated retirement date of January 31, 2028. He has selected Option I for terminal pay for all accrued leave.
- Approved Linda Tschudi’s request for a leave of absence from her position at Port St. Joe Elementary School from September 12, 2022, through January 1, 2023, and
- Approved Sabrina Cannington for the PSJE Pre-K teaching position effective September 17, 2022, and
- Approved the 2022-2023 Out-of-Field Teachers list for 1st Semester, and
- Approved Out-of-Field Teachers for ESOL and Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD),
- Approved position title changes and subsequent job description updates for the following positions: Coordinator of Transportation, Director of Management Information System (MIS), and Director of Information Technology & Cyber Security,
- Approved the following employees extra time for transportation duties:
Tina Hicks, Equillar Gainer, Brandi Fee, Mike Dunn, and Paulette Best.
- Approved paying Sandy Quinn and Christy Wood for their planning periods as they have students every period.
- Approved an extra half hour of pay for the following paraprofessionals in to assist with other duties:
Dee Buchanan, Doreen Mork, and Tina Nicodemus.
- Approved the following changes to the WHS fall supplement list:
Adam Anderson – Boys Cross Country Coach; Ray Glisson - floater (utilized for assistant football);
Bobby Hughes – Assistant Football Coach; Gene Rollins – JV Football Coach.
- Approved Tonya Cox as a WHS Junior Sponsor, and
- Approved the following teacher applicants, pending pre-employment requirements: April Andrews, Shayla Bowles, Chris Anne Krichner, Kailey McKeeby, Katie Piercy, Nicole Watkins, London White.

V. PROGRAM MATTERS: On motion by Mr. Wooten and seconded by Mr. Davis the board voted unanimously to take the following action:

- Approved the 2022-2023 Assessment Calendar, and (SM 22/23 –041)
- Approved the MOA with Positive Behavior Supports Corporation, and (SM 22/23 –042)

	<p>09/08/22 Page 2</p> <p>-Approved the Reading Plan for all Gulf County Schools, and (SM 22/23 –043)</p> <p>-Approved the 2022-2023 School Improvement Plans. (SM 22/23 –044)</p> <p>-Approved the MOU with Community Wellness Counseling and Support Services, and (SM 22/23 –045)</p>
VI.	<p><u>HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC:</u> Community members were present to express their concerns on various issues, including the following: (SM 22/23 –046)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The need to reemphasize the official mascot for PSJH as <i>Tiger Sharks</i>, not just Sharks, and the school colors as Purple, Gold, and White. Attendees urged that the official mascot and colors be used on all athletic gear for all sports as well as on all facilities and school properties. -The lack of Minority/African American Representation in Gulf District Schools, and perceived unfair hiring practices, and -Posting of Job Vacancies, and -PSJHS Cheerleading issues relating to no longer having a single captain and co-captain. <p><i>Mrs. Cora Curtis served as the main spokesperson for the community members. Other speakers included Jasmin Fennell, Eddie Fields, Equillar Gainer, Pastor Charles Gathers, and Mary Clayton.</i></p>
VII.	<u>SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:</u>
VIII.	<u>BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:</u> Board Members assured the community members that their voice and concerns had been heard.
IX.	<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Vice-Chairman Knox adjourned the meeting at 7:12.