

GULF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

The Gulf County School Board met in regular session Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 9:30 (Agenda-Review Workshop) and 10:00 (School Board Meeting) at their Administrative Office in Port St. Joe. The following Board Members were present: Chairman Ruby Knox, Vice-Chairman Brooke Wooten, Cindy Belin, and Marvin Davis, and Denny McGlou. Superintendent Norton was out due to illness, and Assistant Superintendent Josh Dailey served as his designee for the meeting. Attorney Costin was out of town.

AGENDA WORKSHOP: The board reviewed the August 8 Agenda Packet.

BOARD MEETING:

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Knox called the meeting to order at 10:00.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: On motion by Mr. McGlou and seconded by Mr. Davis the board unanimously approved the amended agenda to include the addition of pages 2, 2.01, 4.05, 5.02, 12-12.08, 13-13.06, and 14.14.0. In this motion, the board also approved advertisement of a current position (relating to page 6) if it becomes necessary due to a transfer re

III. HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC: Justin Gerlach addressed the board regarding the PSJHS soccer field project. He expressed his appreciation to the board for the soccer complex project, particular the installation of turf.

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

- Approved the August 1 Minutes, and **(SM: 23/24 – 020)**
- Approved Budget Matters and Payment of Bills **(SM: 23/24 –021)**
- SURPLUS: (SM: 23/24 –022)**
- Declared the following PSJHS welding equipment surplus, subsequently approving removal from PSJHS Welding inventory records: #6193055, #61013252, #61963054, #61013246, #61973071, #61993124, #61963051, #61993119, #61983076, #61013247
- PERSONNEL: (SM: 23/24 –023)**
- Approved Melissa Hanlon’s transfer from PSJE Bridges Para to PSJH Bridges Para effective August 3, 2023, and
- Approved buying the following PSJE Teacher Planning Periods: Rakeem Quinn, Christy Wood, and Morgan McClain, and
- Approved an extra half hour of pay for the following PSJE paraprofessionals for duties performed beyond their regular 7-hour workday: Dee Buchanan, Doreen Mork, Tina Nicodemas, and
- Approved buying Lisa Stripling’s SY 2023-24 planning periods (WES), and
- Approved extra pay for Ashley Forehand for bus driver training hours extending beyond her regular hours, and
- Approved the following employees’ extra pay for transportation duties:
Latrice Larry, Gal Gainer, Brandi Fee, Tina Hicks, and Paulette Best, and
- Approved buying the following PSJH planning periods: Ashley Payne and Mitch Bouington, and
- Approved the 2023-2024 Fall Sports Supplement List, and
- Approved reclassifying one of the PSJE 6-hour food service positions to a 6-hour assistant manager position, and
- Approved advertisement of one additional teaching position for PSJES if necessitated by increased student enrollment, and
- Approved a *Teacher on Special Assignment* to serve the English Language Learners (ELL) in the district.
(NOTE: In the event this TOSA position is filled via transfer of a current employee, the board approved advertisement of the transferee’s current position. Mrs. Mock further assured the board that if a current teacher is hired for this TOSA position, the teacher will remain in their current position as a classroom teacher until someone is hired to take their place in the classroom.)

V. PROGRAM MATTERS: On motion by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Wooten the board unanimously approved taking the following action:

- Approved Revisions to the Student Progression Plan and Code of Conduct, and **(SM: 23/24 –024)**
- Approved the district’s 2023-2024 Student Handbook, and **(SM: 23/24 –025)**
- Approved the district’s revised Discipline Referral Form, and **(SM: 23/24 –026)**
- Approved the DEWS (*Dropout Early Warning System*) Name Change, and **(SM: 23/24 –027)**
- Approved Contracts for Private-Duty Nurses. **(SM: 23/24 –028)**

VI. BID MATTERS: On motion by Mrs. Belin and seconded by Mr. McGlou the board voted unanimously to take the following action:

- Approved a proposal from AstroTurf Corporation for the PSJHS soccer field complex project, and **(SM: 23/24 –029)**
- Awarded the bid for the PSJE Special Needs Playground to GameTime. **(SM: 23/24 –030)**

VII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Knox adjourned the meeting at 10:40.

