

GULF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, July 30, 2024

The Gulf County School Board met in regular session Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at 4:45 (Agenda-Review Workshop) and 5:15 (Public Hearing on the 2024-2025 Tentative Budget, and regular School Board Meeting) at their Administrative Office in Port St. Joe. Superintendent Norton, Attorney Costin, and the following Board Members were present: Chairman Ruby Knox, Vice-Chairman Brooke Wooten, Cindy Belin, and Marvin Davis, and Denny McGlou.

AGENDA WORKSHOP: The board reviewed the July 30 Agenda Packet.

BOARD MEETING:

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

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: On motion by Mr. Wooten and seconded by Mrs. Belin the board approved the amended agenda to include the addition of pages 5A, 6.02-6.06, 7.16-7.20, 19-19.03, and 20, and the removal of page 15.

III. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2024-2025 TENTATIVE BUDGET: (SM: 24/25 – 010)

-No one from the public was present to address the board regarding the 2024-2025 Tentative Budget.

-On separate motions as noted below, the Gulf County School Board unanimously approved the following 2024-2025 millage rates:

Required Local Effort	2.854 - Mr. McGlou / Mr. Davis
Basic Discretionary	0.748 - Mr. Wooten / Mrs. Belin
Capital outlay	0.786 - Mr. Davis / Mr. McGlou
Voted	1.000 - Mrs. Belin / Mr. Wooten

Total of 5.388

On motion by Mr. McGlou and seconded by Mrs. Belin the board unanimously approved the 2024-2025 Tentative Budget.

IV. HEAR FROM PUBLIC: None

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

-Approved the June 18 Minutes, and (SM: 24/25 –011)

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-Approved Budget Matters & Payment of Bills, including TAN Loan, and Salary Schedules (*pending union ratification*),

PERSONNEL: (SM: 24/25 –013)

-Approved Lora Floyd's letter of intent to enter DROP October 1, 2024, with an anticipated retirement date of September 30, 2032, and

-Approved Jane Wade's retirement letter effective January 31, 2025, and

-Approved Lacey Wood's resignation effective June 30, 2024, and

-Approved Allen Ellis for a WES ESE teaching position effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Carla Ferrell for the WHS Guidance Counselor position effective July 1, 2024, and

-Approved Kelsey Goetz for the Speech Language Pathologist position effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Johna Pittman for the WHS ESE Teaching position effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Tracey Robbins for a WES paraprofessional position effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Cheslee Williamson for a WES Teaching position effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Elizabeth Davis for the Student Support Coordinator position based at PSJ Gulf Academy effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved the following Urgent Hire "At Will" Employees effective August 1, 2024:

PSJES: Rakeem Quinn, Alison Williams; PSJ Jr.-Sr. HS: Courtney Swayze, Wendy Edwards,

WES: Rylee Scott, Ashley Taunton, Kenetha Tschudi, Jarrett Browning, Teleshia Colvin,

WEWA Jr.-Sr. HS: Jarkeavis Bess, Amy Flowers, Brittany Smith, Gabriel McClellan, Mariah Lister, Sydnee Partin

-Approved Kara Taylor's transfer from PSJE to the PSJ Gulf Academy effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Simona Williams' transfer from the PSJ Gulf Academy to PSJE effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Andrew Bidwell's transfer from PSJ Adult School to Wewa Gulf Academy effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Sharon Hoffman's transfer from District Itinerant to PSJ Jr.-Sr. HS effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved April Bidwell's transfer from District Itinerant to WEWA Jr.-Sr. HS effective August 1, 2024, and

-Approved Linda Tschudi's transfer from PSJE to the PSJ Gulf Academy paraprofessional position effective August 1, 2024,

-Approved April Bidwell to conduct night school at the Wewahitchka site for adult education students, and

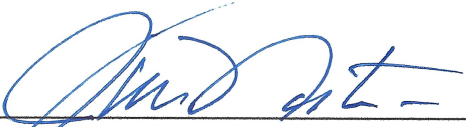
-Approved Bobby Johns to complete the grant-funded mentoring program for the 2024-20225 school year through September 30, 2024, and

SURPLUS MATTERS: (SM: 24/25 –014)

-Declared the following item(s) surplus, subsequently approving removal from inventory records, and disposal of item(s) according to board policy. These science lab tables were damaged from the water pipe that busted at Wewahitchka Jr.-Sr. High School in early June 2024: #82110203, #82110204, #82110206, #82110208, #82110209.

16 small cabinets, 2 big cabinets, and eight stands were damaged.

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VI.	<u>PROGRAM MATTERS:</u> On motion by Mrs. Belin and seconded by Mr. Wooten the board voted unanimously to take the following action: -Approved the Student Progression Plan update, and (SM: 24/25 –015) -Approved the Employee Handbook update, and (SM: 24/25 –016) -Approved the Student Handbook update, and (SM: 24/25 –017) -Approved the Beginning Teacher Program update, and (SM: 24/25 –018) -Approved the Science Textbook Adoption, and (SM: 24/25 –019) -Approved the Attorney Retainer Agreement with School Board Attorney Charles Costin, and (SM: 24/25 –020) -Approved updated Maintenance Department Job Descriptions, and (SM: 24/25 –021) -Approved the 2024-2025 Contract for Services for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Students, and (SM: 24/25 –022) -Approved the 2024-2025 Small School District Council Consortium (SSDCC) Resolution (SM: 24/25 –023)
VII.	<u>SCHOOL SAFETY & SECURITY MATTERS:</u> Mr. Hoover shared the following information with the board: -Board Policies for Health, Safety and Welfare of Students, and (SM: 24/25 –024) -2024 School Safety Specialist Handbook
VIII.	<u>SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:</u>
IX.	<u>BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:</u>
X.	<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Chairman Knox adjourned the meeting at 6:13



Jim Norton, Superintendent



Ruby Knox, Chairman