

# GULF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

The Gulf County School Board met in regular session Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 9:30 (Agenda-Review Workshop) and 10:00 (School Board Meeting) at their Administrative Office in Port St. Joe. Superintendent Norton, Attorney Costin, and the following School Board Members were present: Chairman Brooke Wooten, Vice Chairman Ruby Knox, Equillar Gainer, Denny McGlou, and Matt Terry.

**AGENDA WORKSHOP:** The board reviewed the December 10 Agenda Packet.

## BOARD MEETING:

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

**II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** On motion by Mr. Terry and seconded by Mr. McGlou the board unanimously approved the amended agenda to include the addition of pages 2, 2.01, 3.04, and 8-8.02, and removal of pages 3.02 and 7.

**III. STUDENT RECOGNITIONS:** The board recognized PSJHS student Eljai Brown who was recently chosen as an Ambassador for the Florida High School High Tech (HSHT) Program. Eljai was among six Ambassadors chosen from the statewide pool of applicants based on their active participation in HSCT and video presentations. (SM: 24/25 – 068)

**IV. HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC:** None.

**V. CONSENT MATTERS:** On separate motion by Mrs. Knox and seconded by Mrs. Gainer the board voted unanimously to take the following action:

- Approved the November 19 Minutes, and (SM: 24/25 –069)
- Approved Budget Matters & Payment of Bills, and (SM: 24/25 –070)

PERSONNEL: (SM: 24/25 –071)

- Approved Mary Fox's Letter of Intent to enter DROP December 1, 2025, with an anticipated retirement date of November 30, 2033, and the selection of Option 2 for terminal pay for all accrued leave, and
- Approved Heather Bendis Morrison for the WHS Secretary position effective December 11, 2024, and
- Approved Maggie Parker for a WES paraprofessional position effective December 11, 2024, and
- Approved Bobby Joe Hanson for a PSJHS Food Service Worker position effective December 10, 2024, and
- Approved Lana Harrison and Kayla Bailey for the 2024-2025 Title V Teacher Mentoring Program, and
- Approved the list of 2024-2025 Out-of-Field Teachers for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester, and
- Approved the list of 2024-2025 Urgent Hire Out-of-Field Teachers for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester, and
- Approved the following WHS Basketball supplement changes:  
Ray Glisson - Middle School Girls Head Coach; Sherry Whitfield – Girls Varsity Assistant Coach.

**VI. PROGRAM MATTERS:** On motion by Mrs. Knox and seconded by Mr. McGlou the board unanimously approved the Amendment to the Coca-Cola Bottling Company United – Central, LLC (d/b/a Panama City Coca-Cola Bottling Co.). (SM: 24/25 –072)

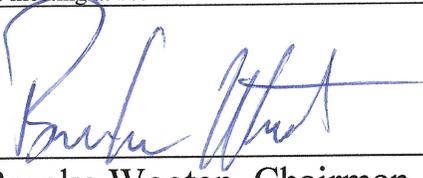
**VII. SCHOOL SAFETY UPDATES:** None.

**VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

**IX. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Mrs. Gainer volunteered to serve as the school board representative on the Strategic Plan Committee, and Mrs. Knox volunteered to serve as alternate.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** Chairman Wooten adjourned the meeting at 10:16.

  
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Jim Norton, Superintendent

  
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Brooke Wooten, Chairman