

HOLMES COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
WORKSHOP
March 7, 2017

Following an Executive Session for the purpose of Bargaining, the Holmes County School Board held a Workshop on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at 701 East Pennsylvania Avenue in Bonifay prior to the Regular Session. Board Members present: Shirley Owens – Vice-Chair, Rusty Williams, Alan Justice and Wilburn Baker. Also present: Superintendent Terry Mears, Board Attorney Jeff Goodman, Administrators Pamela Price, Buddy Brown, and Finance Officer Kelly Leavins. Board Chair Sid Johnson was unable to attend.

Shirley Owens presided as Chair and called the Workshop to order.

Discussion included:

- CULPEPPER UPDATE – Project Manager Brooks Hayes showed a video and gave an update on construction progress at the new K8 School.
- CONTROLLED OPEN ENROLLMENT – Pamela Price and the Board discussed the Holmes County plan for Controlled Open Enrollment, along with the application, capacity report and zoning map; parent notification to include a backpack mailing, updates on the district website, and possibly an additional ad in the newspaper.

The workshop concluded at 5:38 p.m. and the Board took a break before the Regular Session opened.

HOLMES COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR SESSION
MARCH 7, 2017

The Holmes County School Board met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at 701 East Pennsylvania Avenue in Bonifay. Board Members present: Shirley Owens – Vice-Chair, Rusty Williams, Alan Justice and Wilburn Baker. Also present: Superintendent Terry Mears, Board Attorney Jeff Goodman, Administrators Pamela Price and Buddy Brown, Finance Officer Kelly Leavins and Resource Officer Adrienne Odum. BMS Principal Donald Etheridge and HCHS Principal Mickey Hudson were also in attendance. Board Chair Sid Johnson was unable to attend.

Shirley Owens presided as Chair and called the regular scheduled meeting to order and the adoption of the agenda. Rusty Williams moved to approve the agenda, second by Wilburn Baker which passed unanimously.

HEARING THE PUBLIC –

- Perry Steverson spoke about his wife Susan Steverson’s public records request for audio recordings from 2015-2016 board meetings.
- Brian Lemieux gave a presentation about drainage issues at Bethlehem ball fields.

RECOGNITION –

- Best and Brightest Teacher Scholarship Recipients
- HCHS Principal, Beta Club Sponsors and Officers were recognized for being a National Beta School of Merit

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAMS –

- A. CONTROLLED OPEN ENROLLMENT – Instructional Administrator Pamela Price presented the Holmes County School District Plan, Application, Capacity Report and Zone Map. Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Rusty Williams which passed unanimously. S. min. p. ____
- B. CONTRACT WITH GRS THROUGH PAEC TO PROVIDE ACTUARIAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT – Rusty Williams moved to approve, second by Wilburn Baker which passed unanimously. S. min. p. ____
- C. OVERNIGHT/OUT OF STATE TRIPS – BMS 5th Grade to Dothan; PDLH FBLA to Orlando; PSHS Baseball to Dothan. Rusty Williams moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. ____

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved on a motion by Rusty Williams and second by Wilburn Baker as follows: Invoices, Warrant List, P.O.'S over \$3000, Budget Amendments, 02/21/17 Workshop Minutes, Monthly Financial Report and Out of County/State Students. S. min. p. ____

Rusty Williams made a motion to approve the 02/21/17 Regular Session minutes with the deletion of the Expulsion Hearing portion; second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. ____

PERSONNEL – Superintendent Mears made the following recommendations:

HIRE:

Dixie Hitzing as Food Service Worker Bethlehem School effective March 7, 2017.

AMEND:

The ending date on the Medical Leave of Absence for Tina M. Golden, Bus Driver Poplar Springs, beginning 10/31/16 and ending 03/16/17.

Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Rusty Williams which passed unanimously. S. min. p. ____

There being no further business, Rusty Williams moved to adjourn, second by Wilburn Baker which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Sidney M. Johnson, Chairman

Terry L. Mears, Superintendent