

HOLMES COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR SESSION  
JULY 7, 2015

The Holmes County School Board met in Regular Session Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at 701 East Pennsylvania Avenue in Bonifay. Board Members present: Rusty Williams –Chair, Debbie Kolmetz, Alan Justice and Shirley Owens. Also present: Superintendent Eddie Dixon, Board Attorney Luke Taylor, Administrators Jim Goodman, Buddy Brown, Donnita Butorac, Carmen Bush and Larry Zorn, Finance Officer Larry Hawkins and Resource Officer Greg Johnson. Sid Johnson was unable to attend.

Chair Rusty Williams called the regular scheduled meeting to order and the adoption of the agenda. Mr. Williams amended the agenda to add Home Oil Company to the bid extension on Item 7-C. Debbie Kolmetz moved to approve the agenda, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON CORPORAL PUNISHMENT –**

Senate Bill 1540 requires that a district school board having a policy authorizing the use of corporal punishment as a form of discipline must review this policy once every three years during a school board meeting at which the district school board takes public testimony. If such board meeting is not held in accordance with this requirement, the portion of the district school board’s policy authorizing corporal punishment expires. The Holmes County Board of Education has no rule against reasonable and proper paddling of students for disciplinary reasons. Before corporal punishment the student will be given the reason and an opportunity to explain his/her actions. Corporal punishment may be administered by the principal or designated person(s) in the presence of a School Board employee. A written report will be prepared for each incident. No more than three (3) strokes with a paddle may be administered for any given infraction. School Administrators are not required to contact parents unless parents have requested to be notified before their child receives corporal punishment. Parents may also request their child not be paddled and an alternative punishment be provided.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. ADD ENTIRE STATE ATTENDANCE LAW TO CURRENT BOARD POLICY –Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Shirley Owens which passed unanimously. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. ADD DEFINITION OF TARDY TO THE STUDENT HANDBOOK – “Tardy is defined as not being present when the tardy bell rings.” - Shirley Owens moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_\_

**FACILITIES – 2015-2016 BIDS**

- A. GARBAGE DISPOSAL – Bid was awarded to Waste Management Garbage Disposal. Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Shirley Owens which passed unanimously. Bid folder 2015-\_\_\_\_\_
- B. PROPANE – Bid was awarded to Tri County Gas Services. Shirley Owens moved to approve, second by Debbie Kolmetz which passed unanimously. Bid folder 2015-\_\_\_\_\_
- C. JANITORIAL & CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Shirley Owens which passed unanimously. Bid folder 2015-\_\_\_\_\_

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAMS – FOR YEAR 2015-2016**

- A. CONTRACT WITH PAEC FOR GATEWAY FINANCE AND PAYROLL – Shirley Owens moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH FSU MULTIDISCIPLINARY CONSULTING CENTER – Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Shirley Owens which passed unanimously. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_\_
- C. AMEND 2015-2016 CONTRACT WITH HOLMES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – Request for an additional annual amount of \$16,700 for a total of \$71,700 due to a deficit in the

Department of Health budget. Debbie Kolmetz moved to table the request pending further discussion, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_

#### FOOD SERVICE/TRANSPORTATION – 2015-2016 BIDS

- A. BREAD BID – 1<sup>st</sup> Year Extension with Bimbo Bakeries – Shirley Owens moved to approve, second by Debbie Kolmetz which passed unanimously. Bid folder 2015-\_\_\_\_
- B. MILK BID – 1<sup>st</sup> Year Extension with Borden (Ike Steverson) - Shirley Owens moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. Bid folder 2015-\_\_\_\_
- C. PETROLEUM PRODUCTS – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Extension with Davis Oil Company and Home Oil Company– Shirley Owens moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. Bid folder 2015-\_\_\_\_
- D. GAS & DIESEL – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Extension with Retif Oil & Fuel - Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Shirley Owens which passed unanimously. Bid folder 2015-\_\_\_\_

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved on a motion by Alan Justice and second by Shirley Owens as follows: Invoices, Warrant List, P.O.'s over \$3000, Budget Amendments (None), 06/16/15 Workshop and Regular Session Minutes and the Monthly Financial Report.

PERSONNEL – Superintendent Dixon made the following recommendations:

HIRE the following for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Kimberly Harris as Finance Payroll at the District, effective 07/20/15.
- Anna Whitaker as Teacher at BES.
- Brittany Riley as Teacher at BES.
- Cathy Sumner as ESE Teacher at BHS.
- Jessica Bowser as Language Arts Teacher at BHS.
- Jared Owen as PE Teacher/Coach at PS.
- LeAnn Curry as ESE Aide II at BHS.
- Nikki Cullifer as ESE Aide III at BES.
- Brooke Steverson as ESE Aide III at BES.

TRANSFER the following for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Stacey Thompson, Teacher at HCHS to Assistant Principal at PS.
- Hannah Watkins, Teacher at PS to BHS.
- Todd Jones, Teacher at PDLE to BES.
- Ryan Boyd, Teacher at BHS to BMS.
- Mika Marshall, Teacher at BHS to BMS.

AMEND the following for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Brian Morgan from Assistant Principal to Principal at PDLH, effective 07/01/15.
- Kimberly Farrington from Lunchroom Worker to Aide II at PDLE.
- Summer Alford from Guidance Counselor to Assistant Principal at PDLH.

ACCEPT the Resignation from Employment on the following:

- William Scott, ESE Aide at HCHS, effective 06/30/15 at 4:00 p.m.
- William Larry Zorn, Facilities Administrator, effective 08/31/15 at 3:30 p.m. (Retirement)
- Angelia Urquhart, Payroll Accountant, effective 09/30/15 at 3:30 p.m. (Retirement)
- Monica Burch, Sec/Bookkeeper at BHS, effective 04/26/16 at 3:00 p.m. (Retirement)

Shirley Owens moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously.

FEDERAL, STATE PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS -

- A. 2015-2016 SCHOOL READINESS PROVIDER CONTRACT - Debbie Kolmetz moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_
- B. NOTIFICATION OF AWARD FOR THE WINGS GRANT – Administrator Carmen Bush informed the Board of the Grant Award for the next five years and presented them with the review results from the Department of Education. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_
- C. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PROGRAM – Administrator Carmen Bush announced to the Board that all Holmes County Schools will participate in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) and will be served lunch/breakfast at no charge for the 2015-2016 school year. S. min. p. \_\_\_\_

Chairman Rusty Williams announced the Board would go into Executive Session for the purpose of salary negotiations. There being no further business Shirley Owens moved to adjourn, second by Debbie Kolmetz which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

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Rusty Williams, Chairman

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Eddie Dixon, Superintendent