

GULF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

The Gulf County School Board met in regular session Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at 9:30 (Workshop) and 10:00 (School Board Meeting) at their Administrative Office in Port St. Joe. Superintendent Norton, Attorney Costin, and the following board members were present: Chairman Brooke Wooten, Vice Chairman Cindy Belin, Billy C. Quinn, Jr., Danny Little, and John Wright.

WORKSHOP:

The Board reviewed amendments to the April 3 Agenda Packet, and then discussed Gulf County School Board Policy 5.00/STUDENTS.

BOARD MEETING:

I.	<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> Chairman Wooten called the meeting to order at 10:00.
II.	<u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA:</u> On motion by Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Quinn the Board unanimously approved the amended agenda to include the addition of pages 2, 4.01, 10, 11-11.05, and 12, and the replacement of pages 1-1.01.
III.	<u>SPECIAL PRESENTATION:</u> (SM: 17/18 – 101) FWC’s Biological Scientist Sarah Barrett presented the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission’s “Black Bear Curriculum,” and fielded questions pertaining to the presence of Black Bears in our area and the importance of educating our communities on how to properly deal with Black Bears.
IV.	<u>HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC:</u> Mr. Jason Miller [Wewahitchka Business Owner] expressed the importance of developing strong character traits and skills within our students that would motivate them to set achievable goals and become productive citizens. He stressed that while not every student will choose to attend college, every student can develop employability skills and become successful in our local communities, which is equally important. Mr. Norton asked Mrs. Belin to meet with Jason to address specific areas of concern, and then to tap into each school’s current mentoring programs to determine the most effective and feasible approach to reaching out to our students. Mr. Norton and each Board Member thanked Jason for his concern and his efforts to reach our youth.
V.	<u>CONSENT ITEMS:</u> On motion by Mr. Little and seconded by Mrs. Belin the Board voted unanimously to take the following action: -Approved the March 6 Minutes, and (SM: 17/18 – 102) -Approved Budget Matters and Payment of Bills, and (SM: 17/18 – 103) <u>PERSONNEL:</u> (SM: 17/18 – 104) -Approved Andria Dixon’s request for 6 weeks of Family Medical Leave as she prepares for the birth of her second child, and -Approved Lee Anna Parrish as a Hospital/Homebound Teacher for Port St. Joe Elementary effective March 27, 2018, and -Approved Don Maples as Port St. Joe High School’s Boys Soccer Coach, and -Approved Teddy Kemp to drive a school bus for Gulf County School Board, and -Approved re-classifying the physical education instructor position at Port St. Joe Elementary School to that of a certified teacher rather than a paraprofessional beginning school year 2018-2019. -Acknowledged that Billy Hoover will assume job responsibilities and duties for School Safety effective immediately.
VI.	<u>PROGRAM MATTERS:</u> On motion by Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Quinn the Board voted unanimously to take the following action: -Approved changes to the Non-Instructional Contract, and (SM: 17/18 – 105) -Approved Exceptional Student Education Policies & Procedures (SP&P), and (SM: 17/18 – 106) -Approved the Accelify Letter of Agreement, pending corrections, and (SM: 17/18 – 107) (SM: 17/18 – 108) ↓ -Approved the Request to Advertise Board Policy Changes (2.26, 2.95, 3.90, 4.10, 5.20, 5.201, 5.202, 5.321, 6.41, 6.70), and -Approved Consolidated Communications Customer Service Agreements. (SM: 17/18 – 109)
VII.	<u>BID MATTERS:</u> On motion by Mr. Little and seconded by Mr. Wright the Board awarded Bid #18-017 to Ramsey’s to replace the electronic school sign for the Wewahitchka area schools. (SM: 17/18 – 110)
VIII.	<u>SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:</u> Mr. Norton and Mrs. Belin proudly announced that the Gulf County School Board has completed the necessary training and is now considered a Master Board! Superintendent Norton and Board Members have gone through numerous training sessions together over the past several months, and are very proud of this accomplishment.
IX.	<u>BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS:</u> A special school board meeting and special workshop have been scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, at 8:00 A. M. EST.

X.	<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Chairman Wooten adjourned the meeting at 10:52.
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