

HOLMES COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
WORKSHOP  
DECEMBER 19, 2017

The Holmes County School Board held a Workshop on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room at 701 East Pennsylvania Avenue in Bonifay. Board Members present: Shirley Owens – Chair, Alan Justice – Vice-Chair, Rusty Williams, Wilburn Baker and Sid Johnson. Also present: Superintendent Terry Mears, Board Attorney Owen Powell, Administrators Buddy Brown and Carmen Bush, Finance Officer Kelly Leavins and Bonifay K-8 Principal Rodd Jones.

Discussion included:

- A) Regions Bank Presentation – Discussion of *Government Only Low Duration Strategy* and *Government Only Enhanced Cash Bond Strategy*
- B) Facilities Update – BHS ball field 75% complete; lights at PDL in progress; right-of-way for sidewalk from downtown PDL to school; lift stations – PSHS, HCHS; PSHS gym roof – estimate in progress
- C) Senior Trips Policy – concerns and costs
- D) First Federal School Contribution Expenditures – Principal Rodd Jones presented quotes for potential expenditures for Bonifay K-8, provided by the School Advisory Committee

The workshop concluded at 8:56 a.m. and the Board took a short break before the Regular Session opened.

HOLMES COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR SESSION  
DECEMBER 19, 2017

The Holmes County School Board met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at 701 East Pennsylvania Avenue in Bonifay. Board Members present: Shirley Owens – Chair, Alan Justice – Vice-Chair, Rusty Williams, Wilburn Baker and Sid Johnson. Also present: Superintendent Terry Mears, Board Attorney Owen Powell, Administrators Buddy Brown and Carmen Bush, Finance Officer Kelly Leavins, Directors Phillip Byrd and JaLisa Brannon, Bonifay K-8 Principal Rodd Jones and Resource Officer Adrienne Odum.

Chair Owens called the regular scheduled meeting to order and the adoption of the agenda. Sid Johnson moved to approve the agenda, second by Rusty Williams which passed unanimously.

RECOGNITION –

Bonifay K-8 and Poplar Springs Jr. Beta members were recognized for accomplishments at the state convention.

FACILITIES –

- A. DOT SIDEWALK AGREEMENT AT PDLE AND PDLH – Sid Johnson moved to approve; Alan Justice moved to table, second by Sid Johnson which passed with 4 yes votes. Rusty Williams abstained from voting due to a voting conflict. S. min. p. 248

ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAMS –

- A. 1ST SEMESTER BELL SCHEDULE (AMENDED) - GAP – Rusty Williams moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248

- B. 2ND SEMESTER BELL SCHEDULES – Sid Johnson moved to approve, second by Rusty Williams which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248
- C. 2ND SEMESTER OUT-OF-FIELD TEACHERS – Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Rusty Williams which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248
- D. 2017-18 SALARY SCHEDULE – Rusty Williams moved to approve, second by Wilburn Baker which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248
- E. 2017-18 BONUS FOR INSTRUCTIONAL AND NON-INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF – Rusty Williams moved to approve, second by Sid Johnson which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248
- F. 2015-18 MASTER CONTRACT – Alan Justice moved to approve, second by Wilburn Baker which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248
- G. OVERNIGHT/OUT OF STATE TRIPS – BHS Sr. Beta to Orlando, FL; HCHS Chorus to Troy, AL; HCHS Sr. Beta to Orlando, FL; PDLH Sr. Beta to Orlando, FL; PDLH MS/JV/V Baseball to away games – Sid Johnson moved to approve, second by Rusty Williams which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248
- H. FIRST FEDERAL SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION EXPENDITURES – Rusty Williams moved to approve, second by Alan Justice which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved on a motion by Rusty Williams and second by Alan Justice as follows: Invoices, Warrant List, P.O.'S over \$3000, Budget Amendments and 12/05/17 Workshop & Regular Session minutes. S. min. p. 248

PERSONNEL – Superintendent Mears made the following recommendations:

HIRE the following for the 2017-2018 school year:

Randon Carroll as ESE Paraprofessional at Ponce de Leon Elementary, effective 12/11/17.

ADD Evie Hanes, 10-month Custodian at Ponce de Leon Elementary, to the DROP effective 01/01/2018.

ACCEPT resignation from employment on the following:

Deborah Peak, Teacher at Ponce de Leon Elementary, effective 12/31/17 at 11:59 p.m. (retirement)

Sid Johnson moved to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations, second by Wilburn Baker which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248

FEDERAL, STATE PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS –

- A. 2017-18 PROJECT AWARD – TITLE 1 PART A IMPROVING BASIC PROGRAMS – Rusty Williams moved to approve, second by Sid Johnson which passed unanimously. S. min. p. 248

COMMENTS –

Rusty Williams gave an update on National Guard and BES property

With no further business in the Regular Session, the meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

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Shirley Owens, Chair

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Terry L. Mears, Superintendent