GULF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

The Gulf County School Board met in regular session Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at 9:30 (Agenda-Review Workshop) and 10:00 (School Board Meeting) at their Administrative Office in Port St. Joe. Attorney Costin, and the following School Board Members were present: Chairman Brooke Wooten, Vice Chairman Ruby Knox, Equillar Gainer, and Matt Terry. (District 1 seat TBA.) Superintendent Norton was out of state and designated Assistant Superintendent Josh Dailey to serve as his representative at the meeting.

AGENDA WORKSHOP: The board reviewed the June 3 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 Mrs. Knox and seconded by Mrs. Gainer the board unanimously approved the amended agenda to include the addition of pages 1.02, 8.01-8.05, 11.03-11.03i and 14, and the replacement of page 12.
III.	**HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC**: Brian Baird addressed the board regarding his wife's recent work-related issues. **(SM: 24/25 – 111)**
IV.	**CONSENT MATTERS**: On motion by Mrs. Knox and seconded by Mrs. Gainer the board voted unanimously to pull page 9 from the board agenda packet, and take the following action on all remaining items: -Approved the May 27 Minutes, and **(SM: 24/25 –112)** -Approved Budget Matters & Payment of Bills, including one LCI Budget Amendment, and payment of the **(SM: 24/25 –113)** FSBA Small District Council Assessment, and PERSONNEL: **(SM: 24/25 –114)** -Acknowledged Loren Tillman's decision to decline the WHS position as approved May 27, and -Approved Ashely Taunton's resignation at the end of the 2024-2025 school year, and -Approved Mitch Bouington's letter of intent to enter DROP July 1, 2026, with an anticipated retirement date of June 30, 2034, and selection of Option 1 for terminal pay for all accrued leave, and -Approved Elizabeth Emersen's maternity leave approximately August 4 – September 15, and -Approved Lora Floyd's transfer from WHS to WES effective August 1, 2025, and -Approved Simona Williams' transfer from WHS to PSJES effective August 1 until her December 31, 2025, retirement, and -Approved Joe Bush's transfer from PSJHS Welding to WHS Welding effective August 1, 2025, and -Approved Juanita Forehand for a WHS teaching position effective August 1, 2025, and -Approved Jenny Clark for the PSJHS TOSA-Guidance position effective August 1, 2025, and -Approved Teresa Flake for the PSJHS M/J Social Studies position effective August 1, 2025, and -Approved Allison Gerspacher for the PSJHS Biology position effective August 1, 2025, and -Approved Heather Peacock for the PSJHS Math 6-12 position effective August 1, 2025, and -Approved Jeremiah Blount for a PSJHS paraprofessional position effective August 1, 2025, and OUT OF STATE STUDENT TRAVEL: **(SM: 24/25 –115)** -Approved the PSJHS baseball team to travel to Bainbridge (GA) High School June 5.
V.	**PROGRAM MATTERS**: On motion by Mrs. Gainer and seconded by Mrs. Knox the board voted unanimously to take the following action: -Approved the 2025-2026 Contract for PAEC ESE Consultative Services, and **(SM: 24/25 –116)** -Approved the University of West Florida Student Internship Agreement **(SM: 24/25 –117)**
VI.	**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**
VII.	**BID MATTERS**: On motion by Mrs. Knox and seconded by Mr. Terry the board voted unanimously to take the following action: -Approved request to go out for bid for remodeling of Shark Stadium bathrooms, and **(SM: 24/25 –118)** -Approved request to go out for bid for PSJHS softball field house project. **(SM: 24/25 –119)**
VIII.	**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** On separate motions as noted below, the following board members were unanimously approved to serve as FSBA Advocacy Committee Representative and Alternate: **(SM: 24/25 –120)** Representative – Mr. Terry *(Mrs. Knox / Mrs. Gainer)* and Alternate – Mrs. Gainer *(Mrs. Knox / Mr. Terry)*.
IX.	**ADJOURNMENT:** Chairman Wooten adjourned the meeting at 10:33.

Josh Dailey, Assistant Superintendent

Brooke Wooten, Chairman