

**MEETING MINUTES  
SCHOOL BOARD OF SANTA ROSA COUNTY  
May 13, 2021-6:30 PM**

**A. Call to Order and Roll Call**

*The School Board of Santa Rosa County met in regular session at 6:30 P.M. with the following members present: Mrs. Wei Ueberschaer, Chairperson; Mrs. Linda Sanborn, Vice-Chairperson; Mrs. Carol Boston, Mr. Charles Elliott, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hewey.*

*Also present were School Board Attorney, Terry Harmon; and Dr. Karen Barber, Superintendent of Schools and Secretary.*

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

*The Chairman called the meeting to order and Liz West led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and in a moment of silence.*

**C. Approval of Minutes**

**1. Approval of School Board Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2021**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

**2. Approval of School Board Workshop Minutes of April 20, 2021**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

**D. Oral Written Communications**

*Dr. Barber read the proclamation from Governor DeSantis recognizing May as Florida Nurses' Month. Dr. Barber shared that we appreciate all the nurses and health techs who work in our schools taking care of our students and their health.*

*She then read a congratulatory letter from Senator Rick Scott recognizing Santa Rosa School District as a 2020-2021 Great American Defense Community by the Association of Defense Communities.*

*Dr. Barber shared an email that she received from the State Department of Education designating Santa Rosa as an academically high performing school district. This recognition is based on 2018-2019 academic grades, 2018-2019 financial reviews, and class size compliance. Out of 67 school districts only 17 received this recognition. Dr. Barber stated that the credit goes to our students, teachers,*

*administrators, and the community for supporting Santa Rosa County School District.*

*Dr. Barber presented (unveiled last week) our first multi-media newsletter "Leaps and Bounds." She explained that LEAPS stands for Loving Children, Educating Children, and preparing children for their future. The next issue will be released the first week of June and will be focused on the 2,000 seniors who will be graduating with their high school diploma during the month of June. Dr. Barber expressed appreciation to Natasha Godwin for putting this spectacular newsletter together.*

*Jeff Baugus, Coordinator of Math and Science, came up to talk about Astronomy Night. Mr. Baugus worked with Director of Federal Programs, Patti McKnight, on providing astronomy supplies to our schools. Mr. Baugus explained that our earth science classes have astronomy based standards but if there is one class that is difficult to teach in a classroom, in the day time, it's astronomy. Mr. Baugus reviewed the Astronomy Kit that each school will be receiving including one large telescope, three smaller ones, flashlights, binoculars, and books. This will enable the students to study the difference between rotation and revolution; talk about orbits; why we see certain constellations at particular parts of the year and not others. He continued that the goal is to get them outside under the stars to share some educational moments with teachers and parents.*

*Dr. Barber reviewed an email she sent out earlier on May 13 to administrators regarding concerns about our English Language Arts curriculum. Dr. Barber read the following email:*

*"Administrators:*

*You may receive questions regarding our ELA adoption and curriculum. Unfortunately, there is some misinformation circulating that is causing some concern. Should you receive a call or email, you may use my response below to reply. Attached, please find two FLDOE documents that explain the process and the ratings for the textbook companies that received approval. The Santa Rosa County School Board has not approved any curriculum related to critical race theory.*

*In accordance with, (s) 1006.34, Florida Statute (F.S.), Powers and duties of the commissioner and the department in selecting and adopting instructional materials, the Santa Rosa County School district will continue to teach the approved Florida BEST (Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking) Standards for English Language Arts and utilize instructional materials approved by the Commissioner of Education, Richard Corcoran, and the Florida Department of Education. You can find the standards we will be teaching at this link*

<http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/18736/urllt/ELAStandards.pdf> . “

*Dr. Barber read the introduction to the Florida’s B.E.S.T. Standards English Language Arts:*

*“On January 31, 2019, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 19-32, outlining a path for Florida to improve its education system by eliminating Common Core and paving the way for Florida students to receive a world-class education to prepare them for jobs of the future. The task from Governor DeSantis to Commissioner Corcoran was clear: Create literacy standards for our Florida students that will shape their education and secure their position as leading the charge to make Florida the most literate state in the nation. The outcome is Florida’s Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) standards for English Language Arts (ELA), a product of Florida literacy experts, Florida educators, and vested stakeholders.”*

*Dr. Barber outlined how the B.E.S.T. standards are formulated and then reviewed pages that show the educational elements in the curriculum. The Superintendent reiterated that these pages show our curriculum and this is the curriculum we will be implementing.*

*Dr. Barber then went back to the last line of her email communication to administrators:*

*“I can’t express this more strongly. We do not and will not be teaching critical race theory in any Santa Rosa County School District classroom.”*

*She then read the memorandum from Chancellor of Education Jacob Oliva dated March 31, 2021, outlining the 2020-21 Instructional Materials State Adoption process and noting that materials were evaluated on their alignment to ELA B.E.S.T. Standards with reviewers focused on adherence to the science of reading, embedded throughout the ELA B.E.S.T. Standards, particularly the following five components of reading: phonological awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.*

*Dr. Barber continued that when Commissioner Corcoran sent out the memorandum he also sent out the approved textbook adoption companies which have met the Florida B.E.S.T. Standards, have the approval of the State of Florida Department of Education and Commissioner Richard Corcoran (appointed by Governor Ron DeSantis), to be on the list.*

*Dr. Barber reiterated “In Santa Rosa County we will be teaching the ELA B.E.S.T. Standards; we will not be teaching critical race theory.”*

*It is a disservice to our students, our teachers, Commissioner Corcoran and Governor DeSantis to communicate to anyone that is what we're doing. The Superintendent stated that she would appreciate those who have questions reaching out for the answers. We are not teaching critical race theory; we are teaching the approved state standards in Florida.*

**E. Recognitions/Resolutions/Proclamations**

*Some were covered under Oral & Written Communications.*

**F. Public Hearing**

**G. Public Forum- (Request to address the School Board regarding an item not on the agenda)**

*For a complete word for word transcript, please see the video. The following presentations to the Board have been condensed.*

*Board Chairperson Mrs. Wei Ueberschaer reviewed requirements for those wishing to address the Board during the Public Comments section. Mrs. Ueberschaer also read FS 877.13 Educational Institutions or School Boards; Penalty for Disruption.*

*The first speaker, Debbie Gunnoe, began reading aloud regarding critical race theory. Mrs. Ueberschaer asked her if she heard the information Superintendent Barber provided during Oral and Written Communications. Ms. Gunnoe continued to read; she would not stop when her three minutes was up. The Board Chair called a recess and Ms. Gunnoe was escorted out of the meeting.*

*When the meeting reconvened Mrs. Ueberschaer reminded everyone that continuing to speak when your allotted time is up is considered a disruption.*

*John Clinton was the next speaker. Mr. Clinton requested review of prohibiting firearms in the graduation venue if you possess a concealed weapons permit. He then asked for explanation/clarification of Sniffen and Spellman (Board attorneys) cost increase and Big Bend Restaurant Supply increase. Mr. Clinton then stated that he doesn't want to be here tonight or run for School Board but he has lost confidence in our Board and Superintendent. He does not agree with quarantine. (Dr. Barber asked Travis Fulton, Director of Purchasing and Contracts, to explain the items that Mr. Clinton had questions on.)*

*Michelle Feltenberger spoke of her disagreement with quarantine policy; she requested to see the written policy from the Governor's office.*

*Michelle Hardman expressed concerns about graduation tickets. She requested that graduation ticket numbers be increased since the Bay Center has opened to 75% capacity. Ms. Hardman referenced the latest Executive Order and feels that it removes quarantine from local entities. (Dr. Barber assured Ms. Hardman that she would follow up on the Bay Center which she did the next day; number restrictions for graduation guests were removed.)*

*Board Attorney Terry Harmon addressed the quarantine policy. Mr. Harmon stated that the quarantine policy is coming from the local Health Department; Dr. Barber shared the DOH gets their guidance from the State Surgeon General.*

*Bethany Sargent requested access to the curriculum that is being questioned. Dr. Barber directed her to the Florida DOE website under ELA B.E.S.T. Standards.*

*Christa Waite stated that Dr. Barber can't use the acronym L.E.A.P. since she has it copyrighted. She also congratulated Mrs. Ueberschaer for being in the Washington Post. Ms. Waite asked if there is a difference in the accountability of an elected superintendent and an appointed one. Dr. Barber responded that there is no difference.*

*Len Cross voiced his displeasure with the deputies being at the meeting; he also is unhappy that Board members are not wearing masks. He stated that the Board is using oppression on children. Mr. Cross continued that none of the vaccines are FDA approved. He stated that masks are going to be used as leverage to put an injection in children; it's an agenda - propaganda.*

*David Jones stated that Mrs. Sanborn is the only Board member who has displayed integrity since last fall. She apologized in a previous meeting for not doing her due diligence on the curriculum. Mr. Jones expressed his displeasure with Mrs. Ueberschaer and stated that the number of deputies is not needed.*

*Laurent Hetu stated that he is disappointed; he feels that Ms. Gunnoe should not have been removed. He continued that he doesn't believe the Board's statements on critical race theory; "we don't believe you and we don't trust you." Mr. Hetu stated that Board members were voted in and can be voted out.*

*Howard Steele asked the Board what their personal opinion is on critical race theory. Mrs. Boston responded that she supports the statement of the Superintendent and it was quite clear. Mr. Steele repeatedly asked the Board members their personal opinion on critical race theory.*

*Cynthia Licharowicz feels that quarantining should end as well as any other Covid restrictions. She stated the Department of Health has no ability to enact any restrictions.*

*Landra McCrary came forward to share that she is a retired school district employee and has watched and attended many Board meetings over the years. Ms. McCrary stated that the last few Board meetings have been disturbing; she commended the Board for their professionalism in these meetings. She added that the mask policy was added to the Code of Student Conduct prior to Dr. Barber becoming Superintendent.*

*Sharon White continued Debbie Gunnoe's statement on critical race theory. Ms. White stated that an attorney in Gulf Breeze reviewed the HMH material and she read some of his comments. Ms. White feels that "social and emotional instruction" as well as "inclusivity" are buzz words for critical race theory.*

*Richard Blakeman stated that there has been an increase in home schooling and he feels that the entire Board should resign.*

*Mrs. Ueberschaer asked if anyone else would like to address the Board. No one came forward and the public comment section was closed.*

### **Administrative Agenda**

#### **H. Approval of Agenda- Items may be pulled from the Administrative Agenda and placed under the respective Action Agenda category by request of the Board member/Superintendent**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved all Administrative Agenda items H. 1, 2, 3, and 4 as submitted.*

- 1. Human Resource items**
  - a. Administrative Agenda**
  - b. Leave and Temporary Duty**
  - c. 2020-2021 Annual Inspections**
- 2. Curriculum/Instruction Items**
  - a. Suspensions**
  - b. Student Reassignment Requests**

- c. **School Volunteers Level 1**
- 3. **Financial Items**
  - a. **Budget Amendment #20/07, Bills/Payroll and Monthly Financial Statement for March 2021**
- 4. **Administrative Operational Items**
  - a. **Exceed the Limit 051321**
  - b. **Property Inventory Audit 051321**
  - c. **Field Trip Requests**
  - d. **Facility Use Requests**
  - e. **Religious Venue Requests**

### ***Action Agenda***

#### **I. Administrative/Operational Recommendations- Joey Harrell, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services**

##### **1. Surplus 051321**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Elizabeth Hewey, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

##### **2. RFP 21-02 Third Party Administrative Services 051321**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The selection committee for RFP 21-02 Third Party Administrative Services for Medical/Rx Self-Funded Plan and Integrated/Non-Integrated Pharmacy Benefit Manager ranked the proposals by Florida Blue as the top company to be awarded.*

*The selection committee consisted of the following:*

*Pam Smith, Coordinator of Risk Management and Benefits*

*Rita Bullard, Accountant*

*Marie Locklin, Teacher, Union Representative*

*Debbie Lewis, Educational Support, Union Representative*

*Joseph Harrell, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services*

*Kelly Berry, Account Representative, Fisher Brown Bottrell; nonvoting consultant*

Marc Johnson, Agent, Fisher Brown Bottrell; nonvoting consultant

### **3. Food Service Quarterly Report 051321**

Leslie Bell, Child Nutrition Director, came forward to provide the Food Service quarterly report.

Highlights include:

#### National School Breakfast Week; March 8-12

The theme this year was "Score Big with Breakfast." Students participated in poster contests and sports-themed displays were created using donated items.

#### Student Well-Being

A culinary club was created titled "Patriot Chefs" at Sims Middle School. The club was funded by a grant awarded from Kellogg. The students received chef jackets and hats and got to take the prepared food home with them.

#### Spring Training; April 6-21

This included speaking with chefs from Disney, Land O'Lakes, and McCormick who shared their tips and success stories.

#### Summer Break Spot

Sodexo will be taking food out to all school sites providing summer school and other locations in high need areas. Food is free to everybody as long as they are under eighteen years of age.

Dr Barber confirmed that there will be meals at all locations providing summer school. Mr. Elliott thanked Sodexo for is doing this; Mrs. Boston and Mrs. Ueberschaer also expressed appreciation.

### **4. DAG Agenda Items**

Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Elizabeth Hewey. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.

The Board approved Change Order #15 (25-day extension of time due to transformer delay and deduction in contract amount of \$11,000 covering 22 days of liquidated damages) for Jay High School baseball and softball fieldhouse.

Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.

The Board approved the final payment of \$70,815.97 for Jay High School softball fieldhouse.

The Board reviewed the status of current DAG construction projects.



## **5. Sam Marshall Architects Agenda Items**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Elizabeth Hewey. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved Change Order #1 requesting clean up of existing above ceiling electrical items not up to current code.*

*The Board reviewed the status of current Sam Marshall Architects construction projects.*

## **6. McKim & Creed Agenda Items**

*The Board reviewed the status of current McKim & Creed construction project New School A - early release site package.*

## **7. Anton Lee Agenda Items**

*The Board reviewed the status of current Anton Lee Engineering construction projects - East Bay K8 School.*

## **8. Berube Leonard Agenda Items**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the low bidder, A. E. New, Jr. Construction, for Pace High School weight room floor replacement.*

*The Board reviewed the status of current Berube Leonard construction projects.*

## **9. Qualified Contractors**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the following firms who have met all required criteria as Certified Educational Facility Contractors:*

- *Allstate Construction Company*
- *Childers Construction Company*
- *Bear Construction Company*

## **10. Direct Purchasing Change Orders**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved change orders decreasing the projects payable below to the appropriate contractor by the amounts shown below. These decreases are to reflect recent payments made to suppliers and the associated tax savings acquired through direct purchasing.*

- *East Bay K-8 School  
Culpepper Construction  
\$366,143.01*
- *East Bay K-8 Covered PE Building  
A. E. New Jr., Inc.  
\$7,279.96*
- *Hobbs Middle HVAC & Energy Upgrades  
Larry Hall Construction  
\$126,574.78*

**11. Lease Agreement with Santa Rosa County-Navarre Beach Ranger Station**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the lease agreement with Santa Rosa County-Navarre Beach Ranger Station. This is an annual renewal lease.*

**12. Grant Tentative Approval of Agreement to Sell 24.22 Acre Parcel - vacant real property off Whisper Creek Boulevard in Milton (aka Whisper Creek Property)**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the following recommendations:*

- 1. Grant tentative approval of the Agreement as submitted to sell 24.22 acre parcel (Whisper Creek Property)*
- 2. Authorize a public meeting on June 17, 2021, to consider declaring the property surplus and granting final approval of the Agreement and sale*
- 3. Authorize publication of notice of the public meeting*

**13. Grant Tentative Approval of Agreement to Purchase 30 Acre Parcel for Future Educational Facilities**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the following recommendation:*

- 1. Grant tentative approval of the agreement to purchase a 30-acre parcel for future educational facilities as submitted*
- 2. Authorize a public meeting on June 17, 2021 to consider final approval of the agreement*
- 3. To ratify publication of notice of public meeting*

#### **14. Lease of 10 Acre Parcel Adjacent to Chumuckla Elementary**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the lease agreement between Santa Rosa School District and Martin Dwayne Griswold to allow Mr. Griswold to lease a 10-acre parcel adjacent to Chumuckla Elementary.*

#### **15. Request for Conflict Waiver**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Elizabeth Hewey, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the request for conflict waiver as recommended.*

*Terry Harmon, Board Attorney, explained that he received a letter from George Smith requesting that he (Mr. Harmon) advise the Board of his firm's (Bryant, Miller & Olive) representation of an underwriter for the bonds this School Board works with. The firm is required to get informed consent and if a conflict ever arose it cannot be adverse to the School District.*

#### **16. Bond Resolution for Pace K8 School**

*George Smith, Bond Counsel with Bryant, Miller & Olive, came forward to present information on the bond resolution. Jay Glover, Financial Advisor from PFM, LLC, attended the meeting by video conference. Mr. Glover stated that he is the Board's financial advisor on debt related matters.*

*Mr. Glover explained that there are two resolutions before the Board; one is for School Board approval and the other requires Santa Rosa Leasing Corporation approval. Each will authorize not to exceed \$20 million in Certificates of Participation. He continued that the expectation is that \$15 million will be needed but \$20 million will allow some flexibility. He noted that interest rates are at historically low levels and they anticipate paying this back in a relatively short period of time.*

*Mrs. Hewey asked what the premium would be on the COPs; Mr. Glover responded that the bond premium will be approximately \$2.6 million.*

*Mrs. Ueberschaer asked if the interest rate may vary during the lifetime of the COPs. Mr. Glover responded that once the interest rate is locked in they will be traditional, fixed rate Certificates of Participation; payments will not be impacted.*

*Mr. Smith gave the following parameters for the COPs:*

- Amount cannot exceed \$20 million*
- Interest rate cannot exceed 4%*

- *Bond maturity no later than February 21, 2046*

*If these parameters can be met, it authorizes the Chairperson to enter the contract and for his firm to enter that debt.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the bond resolution for the Pace K8 School as recommended.*

#### **17. Santa Rosa School Board Leasing Corporation Bond Resolution**

*The School Board meeting was recessed and the Leasing Corporation meeting convened.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Santa Rosa School Board Leasing Corporation approved the bond resolution as recommended.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Leasing Corporation meeting was adjourned and the School Board meeting reconvened.*

#### **J. Human Resource Recommendation- Liz West, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources**

##### **1. Action Agenda**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Elizabeth Hewey. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the following job description:*

- *Academic Intervention Specialist (revised) requested by Director of Federal Programs*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 4 - 1.*

*The Board approved the following job description:*

- *Deputy Director of Purchasing and Contract Administration (new) requested by Director of Purchasing and Contract Administration*

*Prior to the vote Mrs. Hewey stated that she cannot support a second executive position at this time.*

*Mrs. Sanborn requested that Mr. Harrell give some clarification on the cost of this position. Mr. Harrell explained that through changes made in*

*the Purchasing department this position will cost the district approximately \$4,200.*

*Mrs. Ueberschaer noted that responsibilities have changed in the Purchasing Department. Mr. Harrell added that the Purchasing Department has assumed contracts that were previously managed in other areas.*

*Dr. Barber pointed out that the renegotiation of one contract has saved us over \$500,000.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the following job descriptions:*

- Fiscal Assistant I (revised) requested by Director of Purchasing and Contract Administration*
- Fiscal Assistant II (revised) requested by Director of Purchasing and Contract Administration*
- Fiscal Assistant III (revised) requested by Director of Purchasing and Contract Administration*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Elizabeth Hewey. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the recommendation that our current Civil Service Board Representative, Brenda Kay Hammel, continue in that role for another four years.*

**K. Curricular and Instructions Recommendation – Michael Thorpe, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction**

**1. Alternative Placements**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0331-048 for 45 days with educational services provided by Camelot in accordance with the IEP.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0302-044 for one calendar year with educational services provided by Camelot.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0142-043 for one calendar year with educational services provided by Camelot in accordance with the IEP.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0231-050 for one calendar year with educational services provided by the Learning Academy of Santa Rosa.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0021-046 for one calendar year with educational services provided by the Learning Academy of Santa Rosa.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0231-049 for one calendar year with educational services provided by Camelot in accordance with the IEP.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0021-047 for one calendar year with educational services provided by Camelot in accordance with the IEP.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0151-053 for one calendar year with educational services provided by the Learning Academy of Santa Rosa.*

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the alternative placement of Student A21-0151-052 for one calendar year with educational services provided by Camelot in accordance with the IEP.*

## **2. Camelot Update Presentation**

*For a complete word for word transcript of this presentation, please see the video.*

*Kevin Deal, Deputy Superintendent of the Camelot Program for Santa Rosa and Escambia School Districts, came forward to introduce the quarterly report.*

*Mr. Deal stated the presentation will include data related to enrollment, attendance, parent satisfaction, quality management reviews, behavior, ESE services, academics, and points of pride.*

*The video presentation began with Carl Blackmon, Executive Director of Santa Rosa. Mr. Blackmon stated they have one mission; "to put students first; to foster social and emotional learning."*

*The video included positive testimonials from Camelot students and several teachers shared their teaching philosophy and goals.*

*Mrs. Hewey asked how many hours of instruction per day virtual students receive. They receive one hour per day.*

*Summer Williams, ESE Coordinator, came forward to provide information on one student. This particular student experienced an upward trend in behavior once the team implemented a reward system. Ms. Williams shared that she meets with Dustin Coleman, Karan Burch, and Nancy Virgilio once a month to review every student's data (academic, attendance, and behavior).*

*Two different parents came forward to share their story of their student. Both students experienced a "turn around" when they enrolled at Camelot.*

*The first parent who came up stated that Camelot engages parents; they don't give up on kids; they have strong male role models and a staff that cares.*

*The second parent stated that he appreciates the staff's approach; the ABA therapy has dramatically improved his student's behavior.*

### **3. Blackwater Truss Affiliation Agreement**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

### **4. Guardian Pharmacy of NW Florida Affiliation Agreement**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Elizabeth Hewey. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

### **5. Grant Synopsis Title IX, Part C 2021-2022--Communities of Learning/Homeless Education Program**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

**6. Pensacola Bay Center Graduation Contract 2021**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

**7. Summer Session 2021**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

**8. In-County Travel Increase Requests**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Charles Elliott, Seconded by Elizabeth Hewey. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

**9. 3rd Quarter SAC Minutes**

*This item was submitted for review only.*

**L. Financial Recommendations – Susan McCole, Assistant Superintendent for Finance**

**1. Internal Funds Bank Account/Check Signer for East Bay K-8 School**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

**2. Internal Funds Bank Change for East Milton Elementary**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Carol Boston, Seconded by Charles Elliott. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*Assistant Superintendent for Finance Susan McCole provided the following information regarding the fourth calculation.*

*The second FEFP (Florida Education Finance Program) calculation was compared to the 4<sup>th</sup> FEFP calculation. It was noted that the only change between the two was that there was a proration of funds in the 4<sup>th</sup> calc. This reduced the District revenue by \$628,535. It was also pointed out that between the McKay Scholarship and the Family Empowerment Scholarship the District has lost \$1,700,000.*

*It was also discussed that the District had made several cuts during the year to try and bring up the Financial Condition Ratio. The District collapsed remote classes and combined them when they got small. The District also did a budget cut on School based and District office budgets.*



*This freed up more funds that went back to fund balance. The Board was told the Financial Condition ratio was at 6.53%.*

*The decrease in FTE was also discussed. The final count from 19/20 to the 4<sup>th</sup> calc. count was compared. The FTE was down 1153 per the DOE report. The decreases in the various program numbers such as 101, 102, etc. was discussed. The grade levels for the various programs was also discussed. The adjusted FTE for the District is 28,534.*

**M. Information Technology Services Recommendations – David Hicks, Assistant Superintendent for Information Technology Services**

*None*

**N. Items from Board Members**

**1. Nomination of FSBA Board of Directors Representative**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Linda Sanborn, Seconded by Carol Boston. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the nomination of Mrs. Hewey to serve as the Director from District 1 on the FSBA Board of Directors.*

*Mrs. Ueberschaer also pointed out that the FSBA Policy Committee is proposing a change to decrease the number of Board of Director regions and to reexamine this every five years.*

*Mrs. Sanborn stated that she would be remiss if she didn't point out that after the last meeting she has reviewed the pages in ELA curriculum that some speakers presented as possible problems. Mrs. Sanborn continued that she is a certified English teacher and an extremely conservative individual; she has no problems with those pages.*

*Mrs. Ueberschaer expressed appreciation to the Gulf Breeze Optimists Club for providing lunch for all staff and administrators at District 5 schools; she also thanked the City of Gulf Breeze for financial support in having officers at the three schools.*

**O. Items from Board Attorney**

**P. Items from Superintendent**

**1. 2021-2022 Florida School Labor Relations Service Membership Dues**

*Motion to Approve was moved by Elizabeth Hewey, Seconded by Linda Sanborn. Motion Passed by a Vote of 5 - 0.*

*The Board approved the Florida School Labor Relations Service and*

*Florida Educational Negotiators dues for 2021-2022.*

*Dr. Barber pointed out that neither of the dues have changed or increased since 2004-2005.*

**Q. Adjournment**

*There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.*

*DONE AND ORDERED IN LEGAL SESSION by the School Board of Santa Rosa County the 13th day of May, 2021.*

SCHOOL BOARD OF  
SANTA ROSA COUNTY

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ATTEST:

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