ENERGY MANAGEMENT CONSERVATION

1. Purpose -

The Barbour County Board of Education believes it to be its responsibility to ensure that every effort is made to conserve energy and natural resources while exercising sound financial management.

2. Implementation -

- 2.1 The implementation of this policy is the joint responsibility of the board members, county and school administrators, teachers, students and support personnel, and its success is based on cooperation at all levels.
- 2.2 The district will maintain accurate records of energy consumption and cost of energy and will provide information to the local media on the goals and progress of the energy conservation program.
- 2.3 The principal will be accountable for energy management on his/her campus with energy audits being conducted and conservation program outlines being updated. Judicious use of the various energy systems of each campus will be the joint responsibility of the principal and custodian(s) to ensure that an efficient posture is maintained on a daily basis.
- 2.4 To ensure the overall success of the energy management program, the following specific areas of emphasis will be adopted:
 - 2.4.1 All district personnel will be expected to contribute to energy efficiency in our district. Every person will be expected to be an "energy saver" as well as an "energy consumer".
 - 2.4.2 Energy management on his/her campus will be made a part of the principal's annual evaluation.
 - 2.4.3 Administrative guidelines will be adopted that will be the "rules of the game" in implementing this energy program.
- 2.5 Further, to maintain a safer and healthier learning environment and to compliment the energy management position, the district shall develop and implement a preventative maintenance and monitoring plan for its facilities and systems, include HVAC, building envelope and moisture management.

3. Resolution -

- 3.1 **Whereas,** the School Board bears the responsibility for the use of tax dollars.
- 3.2 **Whereas,** Public education can provide leadership in developing a realistic energy ethic and awareness of energy needs and costs.

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3.3 **Therefore,** the School Board of Barbour County directs the superintendent and/or his/her agents to develop short and long-range strategies in the areas of facilities management and preventative maintenance.

Source: Board of Education Minutes

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