



deserves restitution for this."

Dianne Williams, the assistant principal at Cordova High, said she was the counselor the year before the daughter was in her junior year, and reviewed the problems in keeping a counselor at the school, including the fact one counselor's house burned.

Bevill State assigns a counselor for the program to represent the Upward Bound program, Williams said.

"That is not the school counselor. That is a person they select. Miss Sherri Carlton has been hired by Bevill State to be the Upward Bound program coordinator at Cordova High School, and she has done that for the last several years."

"I do feel Miss Carlton does an excellent job with that program," Williams said, adding Carlton makes regular announcements about the program.

She said Carlton goes into the classrooms and tells about the program, explaining that the forms have to be turned in by a deadline. Once the applications are turned in, Bevill State then selects the applicants. Officials said even if one qualifies and applies, one may not be selected anyway.

"The actual high school counselor does nothing with that program," she said.

Carlton confirmed that Bevill State, not the Walker County Board of Education, is in charge of the program, and that she makes intercom announcements and goes into ninth- and 10th-grade classrooms to explain the program.

"This is a Bevill State program. We have nothing to do with the program," said Superintendent of Education Superintendent Harvey Sanford. "They pay the counselor. We don't pay Miss Carlton."

The family indicated they are also trying to take up the matter with Bevill State officials.

The board took no official action on the matter.

In other action:

- The board hired Don Miles to be the new head football coach at Carbon Hill High, with teaching duties to be determined later.

- The board hired summer school teachers to teach at Valley School, including head teacher Bobbie Manasco, Sherry M. Files, Chris McKeever, Rita S. Langley, Stacia M. Chappell, Ina M. Harbison, and Mary E. Freeman. The

8-11:30 a.m. and the afternoon session will run from 12:45-3:45 p.m. The first semester will run from June 5-23 and the second semester will run from July 5-25.

- The board hired the following lunchroom workers: Donee Harbison at Cordova High, Jeanette Shepard at Parrish High, and Phyllis Burton and Rosa Harrison at Sumiton. Harbison and Shepard will be four-hour workers, while the Sumiton workers will be on eight-hour schedules.

- Melissa Reid was hired as a bus driver in Curry.

- The board approved eight school trips. Five involved cheerleader camps, including one for Curry High students in Panama City Beach, Fla., on July 28-31. Other out-of-state trips included one for Valley students to attend the National Beta Club Convention in Greensboro, N.C., on June 23-27 and one for Lupton eighth-graders to go to Mud Island and the Memphis Zoo in Memphis, Tenn., on May 11. Parrish High basketball players were also allowed to go to a Huntsville summer camp in June.

- The board approved a \$500 payment to the Bolso Volunteer Fire Department, although it did not specify the reasons for the payment. The fire department held a political rally and fund-raiser on Saturday.

- The board approved a summer work schedule for 12-month employees, placing them on four 10-hour days from June 5-July 28.

- The board approved hiring summer workers to help with extra work in maintenance and transportation. Sanford said this usually involves hiring students at minimum wage.

- The board approved low bids for ceiling tiles and balasts.

- The board approved a resolution in connection with an audit of E-rate funding. As the board does not have a budget prepared, the budget states the board will have funds available to match E-rate grants. Officials said the board will spend \$128,000 in match to obtain \$428,000 in grants.

- The board announced its next regular meeting will be on June 8. However, the board called a meeting for 4:30 p.m. Wednesday to discuss personnel matters and to discuss

already offering courses for te which usually only take two y out a labor force, "Walker Co going to grow," she said.

"We don't feel like people r Fikes said. "The way things here, we don't have the people jobs. That's going to hurt us."

Bevill State, using a new fe is setting up advisory group: campuses, and Bevill State Harold Wade is looking at est Bevill State Center for Workf opment. While one office woul it would help all the affected using the advisory groups to needs specific.

Alabama Gov. Bob Riley and pi Gov. Haley Barbour applic received a five-year grant fro Department of Labor as part initiative for West Alabama, from the Bevill State service a Black Belt, and for parts of ea sippi.

"We're going to be developi force for that region," Wade week.

Four community colleges in including Bevill State, Shel Alabama Southern and Wallac Alabama, are involved in th Wade said.

The grant is for \$15 millio years, at \$3 million a year, and the colleges to obtain personne work, Wade said.

"I need to put some foot sold do training and develop item work force needs," Wade said.

"The talk all over the state i economy is going to grow over five to 10 years primarily beca auto industry," Fikes said. "The now we're going to have a def the type of employees that is r these jobs, and they're talki thousands of jobs opening up i industry in the next five to 10 y

"It's robotics and mainten positions, and it's machinists an but nobody is interested in g those fields. It's a problem and to get to be a very bid problem a just Walker County. It's the who

## Arrests

even more items once Sgt. Thomas completes his investigation and more arrests are also pending."

Thomas said the four-wheelers, motorcycles, utility trailer and lawn mower that were recovered were taken from various locations around Walker and Winston counties.

"That's the reason we have charges against both of these individuals and Winston County has charges against both of them," said Thomas, who is also investigating the latest scam in Walker County.

The scam involves a letter that was sent to a Jasper man informing him he had just won \$80,000 from the Sys-