SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2016

5:53 P.M.

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board met at the Instructional Resource Center at 1022 South Foster Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 5:53 p.m. on the third day of March 2016, in special-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mrs. Barbara Freiberg, President; Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson, Vice-President; Mr. Mark Bellue; Mrs. Connie Bernard; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Jacqueline Mims; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; and Mr. David Tatman.

Others present were: H. Warren Drake, Jr., Superintendent; Dr. Michelle Clayton, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel; Ms. Adonica Pelichet-Duggan, Chief of Communication and Public Relations; Ms. Catherine Fletcher, Chief Business Operations Officer; Ms. Millie Williams, Chief Officer of Human Resources; Mr. Gary Reese, Chief of Student Support Services; and Mr. Adam Smith, Associate Superintendent.

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Consent to Consider

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a Consent to Consider item. The item will be listed as Item #6.

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (9) Mr. Bellue, Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, President Freiberg, Ms. Lee, Dr. Mims, Dr. Nelson-Smith, Mr. Tatman, and Vice-President Ware-Jackson

Nays: (0) None

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The motion was declared adopted.

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Approval of Resolution

By Dr. Mims

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a Resolution authorizing the President of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board to execute all documents regarding the receipt and expenditure of Capital Outlay funds allocated to renovate Istrouma High School and consideration of related matters.

Seconded by Dr. Nelson-Smith

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Tatman was absent.)

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Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

By Dr. Nelson-Smith

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby give authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the East Baton Rouge Parish Tax Assessor’s Office regarding the reduction of homestead exemption fraud and related matters.

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Tatman was absent.)

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Authorization to Issue Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

By Ms. Dyason

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby give authorization for staff to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to seek proposals to provide Architectural Design Consulting Services for the Arendale Career Academy Project as specified in the 2008 Tax Plan Continuation.

Seconded by Mrs. Bernard

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (6)      Mr. Bellue, Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, President Freiberg, Ms. Lee, and Dr. Mims

Nays: (1)      Dr. Nelson-Smith

Abstained: (1) Vice-President Ware-Jackson

Absent: (1)    Mr. Tatman
The motion was declared adopted.

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Approval for Superintendent and Board Leadership to Finalize and Execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and Act of Transfer

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby give authorization for Superintendent Warren Drake, along with Board leadership, to finalize and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and Act of Transfer between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the East Baton Rouge Redevelopment Authority regarding the proposed Career Academy.

Seconded by Mr. Bellue

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (5)  Mr. Bellue, Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, President Freiberg, and Dr. Mims

Nays: (1)  Dr. Nelson-Smith

Abstained: (2)  Ms. Lee and Vice-President Ware-Jackson

Absent: (1)  Mr. Tatman

The motion was declared adopted.

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There being no further business, the Board adjourned by acclamation.

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Warren Drake
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board