REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016

5:00 P.M.

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board met at the School Board Office at 1050 South Foster Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 5:00 p.m. on the nineteenth day of May 2016, in regular-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. Dawn Chanet Collins; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; and Mr. David Tatman. Ms. Vereta T. Lee was absent.

Others present were: H. Warren Drake, Jr., Superintendent; Dr. Michelle Clayton, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Domoin Rutledge, General Counsel; Ms. Adonica Pelichet-Duggan, Chief of Communication and Public Relations; 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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School Board Member Dawn Collins gave the invocation. Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Jason Jasildo, Broadmoor High School, accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel Michael Stewart, Senior Army Instructor Command, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Approval of Minutes of the April 21, 2016, School Board Meeting, and the May 5, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board meetings of April 21, 2016, School Board, and the May 5, 2016, Committee of the Whole meeting, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Mr. Bellue

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard and Ms. Lee were absent.)

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Approval of Consent Agenda Items
By Ms. Dyason

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Consent Agenda items.

Seconded by Mrs. Bernard

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Lee was absent.)

The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

Items approved by the Committee of the Whole for recommendation to the Board:


Authorize the Superintendent to solicit, negotiate, and execute a professional services agreement to update the school system's population and enrollment forecasts (demographic study) and to provide for related matters.

Approve revisions to the following job descriptions with no change in salary schedules: Educational Diagnostician (10 months); Exceptional Student Services Program Specialist; Certified School Psychologist; School Social Worker; Social Worker – Special Needs.

Approve a charter renewal application for The Community School for Apprenticeship Learning Charter School (CSAL).

Approve a Micro-Enterprise Credential Resources/Jump Start Video Network Grant from the Louisiana Department of Education in the amount of $8,092.00.

Approve an Extern Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School System (ICARE) and Louisiana State University regarding jobs for two LSU School Psychology Externs. Each extern will work approximately 20 hours per week with two hours of supervision per week from an appropriately credentialed university supervisor in the School Psychology Program at LSU. The two externs will work from May 15, 2016, through May 14, 2017, for a total cost of $50,400.00.

Approval of Name for New Virtual School

By Mrs. Bernard
Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the naming of the new virtual school as the EBR Virtual Academy.

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Lee was absent.)

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Authorization for Staff to Advertise, Accept the Low Bid Meeting Specifications and Award Contract

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby authorize staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the facility modifications and maintenance improvements at Istrouma High School, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with Louisiana Public Bid Law; Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 38; Chapter 10.

Seconded by Vice-President Ware-Jackson

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (7) Mr. Bellue, Ms. Collins, Ms. Dyason, President Freiberg, Dr. Nelson-Smith, Mr. Tatman, and Vice-President Ware-Jackson

Nays: (0) None

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (1) Ms. Lee

Did not Vote: (1) Mrs. Bernard

The motion was declared adopted.

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Authorization for Staff to Advertise, Accept the High Bid Meeting Specifications and Award Contract

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby authorize staff to advertise and accept the high bid meeting specifications and execute the lease contract for the property being approximately 638 acres GLD (Baywood) T 4 S, R 3 E, Section 16, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

Warren Drake, Jr.,
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board