

**EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2016

5:05 P.M.

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole met at the School Board Office at 1022 South Foster Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 5:05 p.m. on the fourth day of February 2016, in regular-session convened. The Vice-President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson, Vice-President; Mrs. Barbara Freiberg, 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.

School Board Member, Dr. Jacqueline Mims, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following items were presented to the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole by the Superintendent and staff:

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

By Mr. Tatman

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: authorization for staff to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to seek proposals to provide Architectural Design Consulting Services for the Broadmoor Elementary School Replacement Project as specified in the 2008 Tax Plan Continuation.

Seconded by Mr. Bellue

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (6)

Mr. Bellue, Mrs. Bernard, Dr. Mims, Ms. Lee, Dr. Nelson-Smith, and Mr. Tatman

Nays: (3) Ms. Dyason, President Freiberg, and Vice-President Ware-Jackson

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

The motion was favorably recommended to the full Board.

Grants

By President Freiberg

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the following grants:

- a. Capital Area Human Services District mini-grant application, in collaboration with I CARE, for the Public Service Announcement Project on Underage Alcohol Use, Underage Tobacco Use, Prescription Drug Misuse, Suicide, Bullying, and Violence in the amount of \$2,000.00, to be split equally between McKinley High and Scotlandville High Schools.
- b. Target Field Trip grant in the amount of \$700.00 for fifth grade students at Claiborne Elementary School to study the history and science of lasers at Laser Tag of Baton Rouge; and
- c. Capitol One grant in the amount of \$7,010.00 for three (3) Bernard Terrace Elementary School science teachers to attend the National Conference on Science Education in Nashville, TN and the purchase of STEM materials and supplies for classrooms.

Seconded by Ms. Lee

Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of all the members.

Amend 2016-2017 School Calendar

By Dr. Nelson-Smith

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval to amend the 2016-2017 school calendar, adding Wednesday, November 23, 2016, as a holiday for all 12-month employees.

Seconded by Dr. Mims

Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of all the members.

Policy

By Mrs. Bernard

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the proposed East Baton Rouge Parish School System Test Security Policy for the 2015-2016 school year.

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of all the members.

Develop Agreement

By President Freiberg

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval to proceed with developing an agreement with Cox Louisiana Telecom, L.L.C., for a Voice Over Internet Telephone System for the entire EBRPSS, and authorize the Superintendent and staff to negotiate and execute an agreement with this vendor.

Seconded by Ms. Lee

Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of all the members.

There being no further business, the Committee of the Whole adjourned by acclamation.

The Board was reconvened at 7:15 p.m. by acclamation. The Vice-President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson, Vice-President; Mrs. Barbara Freiberg, 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.

The Superintendent continued the Board Retreat follow up.

There being no further business, the Committee of the Whole adjourned by acclamation.

Warren Drake
Secretary/Treasurer to the East Baton
Rouge Parish School Board
Committee of the Whole