REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

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 twenty-first day of September, 2017, and convened in regular session. The Vice-President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. Mark Bellue; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; Ms. Dawn Chanet Collins; Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson, President; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Mr. Michael Gaudet; Mrs. Connie Bernard, Vice-President, and Mr. David Tatman.

Others present were: Mr. Warren Drake, Superintendent; Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel; Mr. Adam Smith, Associate Superintendent; Mr. Ben Necaise, Associate Superintendent; Dr. Quentina Timoll, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Mrs. Andrea O’Konski, Chief Officer for Accountability and Assessments; Mr. James Crochet, Chief Officer for Business Operations; Mrs. Millie Williams, Chief Officer for Human Resources; Mr. Gary Reese, Chief Officer for Student Support Services; and Mr. Richard Ellis, Chief Officer for Technology.

School Board Member Dawn Collins gave the invocation. Cadet Captain Mel Adolfo, Cadet Battalion Commander led the Pledge of Allegiance accompanied by Retired Colonel William Laigaie.

Approval of the School Board Minutes for the Regular School Board Meeting of August 17, 2017 and Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 7, 2017

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Regular meeting of August 17, 2017, and Committee of the Whole meeting of September 7, 2017, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded By Dr. Nelson-Smith

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Board Received Personnel Changes for Information Only

Board Received Monthly Financial Report for Information Only

Unfinished Business

Approval of Superintendent’s Contract Extension

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the contract extension for the Superintendent of Schools and related matters.

Seconded By Ms. Dyason
Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Approval of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement Amendment between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, the City of Baton Rouge/Parish of East Baton Rouge, the East Baton Rouge District Attorney, and the Office of the Sheriff for the Parish of East Baton Rouge to Operate and Sustain the Family and Youth Service Center

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement Amendment between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, the City of Baton Rouge/Parish of East Baton Rouge, the East Baton Rouge District Attorney, and the Office of the Sheriff for the Parish of East Baton Rouge in the amount of $100,000.00 per year for a period of five (5) years to operate and sustain the Family and Youth Service Center commencing July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2022.

Seconded By Ms. Lee

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

Approval of Consent Agenda Items, Excluding Item #14

By Ms. Lee

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Consent Agenda items, excluding item #14.

Seconded By Dr. Nelson-Smith

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

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

Approval of the following grants:
  a) Junior League of Baton Rouge 2017-2018 Painted Playground Project in the amount of $12,000.00 to provide approximately twenty (20) schools with a place to encourage activity through games and agility practices from "directions" painted on the ground and package play kits.
  b) Deborah Rochelle Teacher grants in the amount of $24,213.00.
  c) National Institute of Justice (NIJ) School Safety research grant amendment in the amount of $23,000.00 to include McKinley High School.

Approval of professional services contracts between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the following:
  a) Moving Forward N’ Education, LLC, in the amount of $75,000.00 to provide tutoring and remediation services for students at Hosanna Christian Academy of Baton Rouge for the period of August 31, 2017, through June 30, 2018. (Funding Source: Title I – Non-Public)
  b) Teach 4 LIFE Enterprise, LLC, in the amount of $27,500.00 to provide professional development to teachers and parents at South Baton Rouge Charter for the period of August 21, 2017, through May 30, 2018. (Funding Source: Title I)
  c) Teach 4 LIFE, LLC, in the amount of $15,000.00 to provide professional development for
teachers in the area of mathematics and parent workshops at Hosanna Christian Academy for the period of August 21, 2017, through May 30, 2018. (Funding Source: Title I)

d) FACTS Educational Solutions, LLC, in the amount of $201,000.00 to provide direct and indirect instructional services to Catholic Diocese schools for the period of September 21, 2017, through April 30, 2018. (Funding Source: Title I)

e) Academic Resources, LLC, in the amount of $11,357.00 to provide tutoring and remediation services for students at Brighter Horizon School of Baton Rouge for the period of September 22, 2017, through May 11, 2018. (Funding Source: Title I – Non-Public)

f) Academic Resources, LLC, in the amount of $10,000.00 to provide tutoring and remediation services for students at Jehovah Jireh Christian Academy for the period of September 21, 2017, through June 30, 2018. (Funding Source: Title I – Non-Public)

h) Chase Healthcare in the amount of $87,000.00 to provide LPN nursing services for a student at Southdowns Pre-K. (Funding Source: 20 Grant Fund – Federal)

h) D. S. Sullivan, LLC, in the amount of $20,000.00 to provide O&M evaluations and training to eligible students as determined by IEPs. (Funding Source: IDEA)

Approval of the Revised Accountability Plan for the East Baton Rouge Parish School System in accordance with Bulletin 130.

Approval of a recommendation from Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, EBRPSB, in the matter of: Anika Muse-King, Suit No. 655116, Section 15; 19th JDC, Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of Board Policies

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the School Board policies: School Board Ethics (BE), Preservation of Records (DIEA), Bids and Quotations (DJED), Purchasing (DJE), Contracts and Compensation (GBA), Employment of Personnel (GBD), Evaluation (GBI), Promotion (GBJ), Home Study Program (IDCH), School Wellness (JGB), Child Abuse (JGCE), and Student Fees, Fines, & Charges (JS).

Seconded By Vice-President Bernard

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

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

Warren Drake
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board