The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole met at the School Board Office at 1050 South Foster Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 5:00 p.m. on the third day of February, 2011, in regular-session convened. The Vice-President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mrs. Barbara Freiberg, President; Mr. Tarvald A. Smith, Vice-President; Mr. G. Thomas “Jerry” Arbour; Mrs. Connie Bernard; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Mr. Craig Freeman; Mr. Randy Lamana; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Mrs. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; Mr. David Tatman; and Mrs. Evelyn Ware-Jackson.

Others present were: Mr. John L. Dilworth, Superintendent; Dr. Herman Brister, Chief Academic Officer; Ms. Diane Atkins, Associate Superintendent for Instructional Support Services; Ms. Catherine Fletcher, Chief Business Operations Officer; Ms. Mary Nell Dominique, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area I; Ms. Katie Blunschi, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area II; Mr. David Phillips, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area III; Ms. Millie Williams, Director of Human Resources; Ms. Lizabeth Frischhertz, Chief Officer of Accountability, Assessment and Evaluation; Mr. Jesse Noble, Chief Technology Officer; Mr. Chris Trahan, Director of Communications and Community Engagement; and Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel.

Vice-President Smith asked for a moment of silence. School Board Member Craig Freeman led the pledge of allegiance.

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

Authorization for Staff to Advertise, Accept Low Bids Meeting Specifications, and Make the Award of Contracts Howell Park Elementary School Classroom Improvement

By Mr. Lamana

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: authorization for staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the Howell Park Elementary School Classroom Improvement, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law; Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 38; Chapter 10.
Seconded by Mr. Arbour

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Dyason was absent.)

Authorization for Staff to Advertise, Accept Low Bids Meeting Specifications, and Make the Award of Contracts Istrouma High School Classroom Improvement

By Mr. Arbour

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: authorization for staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the Istrouma High School Classroom Improvement, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law; Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 38; Chapter 10.

Seconded by Mrs. Bernard

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Dyason was absent.)

Finance

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

Education Jobs Fund Budget for 2010-2011

By Mr. Lamana

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the Education Jobs Fund Budget for 2010-2011, Fiscal Assurances Form, Statement of Affirmation Form, and Budget Form.

Seconded by Mrs. Bernard

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Dyason was absent.)

Instructional/Pupil Services Items

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

Grants

By Mrs. Bernard
The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: acceptance of the following grants under $50,000.00: a) Lowe’s Toolbox for Education Grant in the amount of $5,000.00. (Recipient: Ellen Floyd – Jefferson Terrace Elementary School) No formal presentation needed; b) Good Sports Equipment Grant in the amount of $9,382.04 (Recipient: Coach Paul Jackson – EBR Lab Academy) No formal presentation needed; c) KaBoom Community Partner Playground Project (Recipient: Dawn Hayward – Sharon Hills Elementary School) No formal presentation needed; and d) Target Field Trip Grants in the amount of $2,100.00 ($700/each) (Recipients: Ellen Floyd – Jefferson Terrace Elementary School, Melissa Morrissey, Audubon Elementary School, and Genedi Shamburger – Woodlawn High School).

Seconded by Mr. Lamana

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Dyason was absent.)

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2010-2011 Early Childhood Program Budget

By Mr. Arbour

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the 2010-2011 LA 4 Early Childhood Program Budget in the amount of $5,190,045.00.

Seconded by Mr. Lamana

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Dyason was absent.)

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Other Items
The following item was presented to the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole by the Superintendent and staff:

2011-2012 District School Year Calendar

By Mrs. Freiberg

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the district calendar for the 2011-2012 school year.

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (10) Mr. Arbour, Mrs. Bernard, Mrs. Dyason, Mrs. Freiberg, Mr. Lamana, Ms. Lee, Mrs. Nelson-Smith, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tatman, and Mrs. Ware-Jackson

Nays: (1) Mr. Freeman
Abstained: (0) None
Absent: (0) None

The motion was favorably recommended.

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**Career Education Center Contract**

By Mr. Arbour

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the proposed contract for the Career Education Center.

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

Favorably recommended by a vote of all the members.

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**Consulting Services**

Mr. Tatman, Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee, suggested this item be voted on at the regularly scheduled School Board Meeting on February 17, 2011. The Board concurred.

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

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John L. Dilworth
Secretary/Treasurer to the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board
Committee of the Whole