

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2011

5:00 P.M.

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 6:00 p.m. on the first day of March, 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; 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. Mrs. Connie Bernard was absent.

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; Mr. James Crochet, Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Mary Nell Dominique, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area I; Ms. Katie Blunsch, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area II; Mr. David Phillips, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area III; Ms. Kathleen Smith, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area IV; 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.

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:

Recommendation of General Counsel

By Mr. Arbour

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: acceptance of the recommendation of Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, in the matter of Nadine Joseph on behalf of her minor son, Joseph Chambers, v. Tara High School and EBRPSB, Suit No.: 564,273, Section 24, 19th JDC, Parish of East Baton Rouge.

Seconded by Mr. Lamana

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard was absent.)

Authorization for Staff to Advertise, Accept Low Bids Meeting Specifications, and Make the Award of Contract for the Abatement/Demolition of the Old Winbourne Elementary, and Construction of Main Drive with a Monument Sign for the new Winbourne Elementary School

By Mr. Arbour

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: authorization for the staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the Abatement/Demolition of the old Winbourne Elementary School and the construction of the main drive with a monument sign for the new Winbourne Elementary School, 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. Lamana

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard was absent.)

Authorization for Staff to Advertise, Accept Low Bids Meeting Specifications, and Make the Award of Contracts for the 2010 Qualified School Construction Bonds Projects

By Mr. Lamana

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: authorization for the staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of contracts for the 2010 Qualified School Construction Bonds Projects at the locations specified and funded from the Qualified School Construction Bonds, 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 Ms. Dyason

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard 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:

Adoption of the Resolution, as required by law for the Office of the Assessor, no later than June 1, 2011, for the purpose of levying millages effective on the 2011 Assessment Roll.

By Mr. Lamana

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: adoption of a resolution, as required by law for the Office of the

Assessor, no later than June 1, 2011, for the purpose of levying millages effective on the 2011 Assessment Roll.

Seconded by Mrs. Ware-Jackson

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard was absent.)

Staff/Consultant to Collect Administrative Fee Proposals from Medical Administrative Services

By Mr. Lamana

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval for staff/consultant to collect administrative fee proposals from medical administrative services organizations and conduct a network discount analysis.

Seconded by Mrs. Freiberg

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard 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 Mr. Tatman

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) National Education Association (NEA) Learning and Leadership Grant in the amount of \$2,000.00, (Recipient: Ms. Christina Faulk, Mathematics/Algebra Teacher at McKinley High School); b) Greater Baton Rouge Area Realtors Association (GBRAR) Teacher Grants in the amount of \$3,000.00, (\$1,000.00/each). (Recipients: Ms. Phyllis Cisneros and Crystal Lange, Fourth Grade Teachers at Brownfields Elementary School, Earlisha Whitfield, Third Grade Teacher at Ryan Elementary School, and Jennifer Dobbs, Pre-K Teacher at Westdale Heights Academic Magnet); and c) Target Field Trip Grant in the amount of \$700.00, (Recipient: Mr. Mark Zweig, Science Teacher at Glasgow Middle School).

Seconded by Mr. Lamana

Favorably recommended by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard was absent.)

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

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