

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

**THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2014**

**5:25 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 5:25 p.m. on the third day of April 2014, in regular-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. Tarvald A. Smith, Vice President; Mr. David Tatman, President; Mr. G. Thomas "Jerry" Arbour; Mrs. Connie Bernard; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Mr. Craig Freeman; Mrs. Barbara Freiberg; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; and Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson. Mr. Randy Lamana was absent.

Others present were: Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr., Superintendent; Mr. Michael Hagen, Deputy Superintendent for Innovation and Reform; Ms. Diane Atkins, Associate Superintendent for Instructional Support and Pupil Services; Mr. Carlos Sam, Associate Superintendent; Dr. Herman Brister, Associate Superintendent for Student Support Services; Ms. Catherine Fletcher, Chief Business Operations Officer; Ms. Millie Williams, Interim Executive Director of Human Resources; Ms. Lizabeth Frischhertz, Chief Officer of Accountability, Assessment and Evaluation; and Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel.

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

**Take Item #2 Out-of-Order**

**By Mr. Arbour**

**Seconded by Ms. Ware-Jackson**

**Being no objection, Item #2 was taken out-of-order.**

**Discussion followed.**

**The Vice-President, Tarvald Smith, ask if any Board member objected to taking Item #1 (approval of a Demand Stipend for employees at designated Low Performing Demand Schools, effective July 1, 2014) and Item #2 (approval to implement adjustments to Non-Act I Salary Schedules, effective July 1, 2014) together.**

**There being no objection, discussion continued.**

**The following motion was made.**

**By Mrs. Bernard**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby defer agenda Item #1 (approval of a Demand Stipend for employees at designated Low Performing Demand Schools, effective July 1, 2014) and agenda Item #2 (approval to implement adjustments to Non-Act I Salary Schedules, effective July 1, 2014) until the Board meets for the Budget Workshops.

**Seconded by Ms. Dyason**

**Discussion continued.**

**The following substitute motion was made.**

**By Dr. Nelson-Smith**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: (Item #1) approval to implement adjustments to Non-Act I Salary Schedules, effective July 1, 2014. (Item #2) approval of a Demand Stipend for employees at designated Low Performing Demand Schools, effective July 1, 2014.

**Seconded by Ms. Ware-Jackson**

**The vote on the motion was as follows:**

- Yeas: (7)                    Mr. Arbour, Mr. Freeman, Mrs. Freiberg, Ms. Lee, Dr. Nelson-Smith, Vice President Smith, and Ms. Ware-Jackson**
- Nays: (2)                    Mrs. Bernard and Ms. Dyason**
- Abstained: (0)            None**
- Absent: (2)                Mr. Lamana and President Tatman**

**The motion was favorably recommended to the full Board.**

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**Award Contract Renewals**

**By Mrs. Freiberg**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: authorization for staff to award contract renewals for Facility Environmental and Mechanical Systems Services to Corporate Mechanical Contractors, Johnson Controls, Inc., and Star Services, Inc. as stipulated in the Tax Plan Continuation.

**Seconded by Ms. Dyason**

**The vote on the motion was as follows:**

- Yeas: (8)                    Mr. Arbour, Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, Mr. Freeman, Mrs. Freiberg, Ms. Lee, , Vice President Smith, and Ms. Ware-Jackson**

**Nays: (0)                   None**  
**Abstained: (1)           Dr. Nelson-Smith**  
**Absent: (2)               Mr. Lamana and President Tatman**

**The motion was favorably recommended to the full Board.**

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**Grant**

**By Mr. Arbour**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: acceptance of the Muscle Milk Recovery Grant in the amount of \$15,000.

**Seconded by Mr. Freeman**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Lamana and President Tatman were absent.)**

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**Professional Services Agreement**

**By Mrs. Bernard**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of a professional services agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Pearson School Achievement Services for training on the Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) for ELL and Exceptional Student Services' self-contained, resource, and inclusion teachers in the amount of \$60,000.00. Funding Source: IDEA.

**Seconded by Mrs. Freiberg**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Lamana and President Tatman were absent.)**

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**Naming of School**

**By Mr. Freeman**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of naming Brookstown Middle School to Brookstown Middle Magnet Academy.

**Seconded by Mrs. Freiberg**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Lamana and President Tatman were absent.)**

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**Board Meeting Schedule for 2014-2015**

**By Mr. Freeman**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board meeting schedule for 2014-2015.

**Seconded by Ms. Dyason**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Lamana and President Tatman were absent.)**

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

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**Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr.  
Secretary/Treasurer to the East Baton  
Rouge Parish School Board  
Committee of the Whole**