

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2014

5:00 P.M.

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 this the twenty-first day of August 2014, in regular-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. David Tatman, President; Mr. Tarvald A. Smith, Vice-President; Mr. G. Thomas "Jerry" Arbour; Mrs. Connie Bernard; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Mrs. Barbara Freiberg; Mrs. Mary Lynch; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; and Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson. Mr. Craig Freeman was absent.

Others present were: Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr., Superintendent; Mr. Michael Hagen, Deputy Superintendent for Innovation and Reform; 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.

School Board Member, Vereta Lee, gave the invocation. Cadet Major Kyra Anderson, Northeast High School, accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel Shirley Sutton, Senior Army Instructor, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of the July 17, 2014, School Board Meeting, the July 24, 2014, and August 7, 2014, (special) School Board meetings and the August 7, 2014, Committee of the Whole Meeting

By Mrs. Freiberg

Resolved, that, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Meetings of July 17, 2014, School Board meeting, the July 24, 2014, and August 7, 2014, Special Board Meetings, and the August 7, 2014, Committee of the Whole meeting, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Ms. Ware-Jackson

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (7)

Mr. Arbour, Mrs. Freiberg, Mrs. Lynch, Ms. Lee, Vice-President Smith, President Tatman, and Ms. Ware-Jackson

Nays: (0) None
Abstained: (1) Dr. Nelson-Smith
Absent: (3) Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, and Mr. Freeman

The motion was declared adopted.

Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming the Week of September 7-13, 2014, as "Arts in Education Week"

By Ms. Ware-Jackson

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming the week of September 7-13, 2014, as "Arts in Education Week." **(A copy of the Resolution has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Mrs. Freiberg

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason and Mr. Freeman were absent.)

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

By Mr. Arbour

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

Seconded by Mrs. Freiberg

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

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

Items approved by the Committee of the Whole for recommendation to the Board:

Authorization to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to seek proposals to provide Architectural Design Consulting Services for the Career Academy in the Ardendale area of the parish.

Approval to renew the Student Health Services Agreement with Health Centers in Schools (HCS), in the amount of \$2,250,000.00, for a period of five (5) years and to provide for related matters. General Counsel, Domoine Rutledge, stated that the contract would be no more than \$2,250,000.00.

Approval to renew the 2014-2015 library system membership with the Louisiana Resource Center for Educators for 77 schools in the amount of \$26,950.00. (Funding Source: HEAP Grant).

Approval of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire as required for the 2013-2014 financial audit of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System.

Approval to purchase computers from Dell via the current state contract, execute the Dell Rebate Agreement, and to provide for related matters.

Approval of a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Educational Professional Services to handle all matters related to E-Rate federal and state requirements at a cost not to exceed \$18,000.00 per calendar year. (Funding Source: General Fund – Department of Technology).

Approval of a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Reliance Communications for its SchoolMessenger services in the amount of \$63,000.00. (Funding Source: General Fund).

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and The New Teacher Project, Inc., in the amount of \$11,900.00. (Funding Source: HEAP Grant).

Approval to renew a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS) for the period of July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, in the amount of \$87,000.00. (Funding Source: General Fund).

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Northshore Technical Community College as it relates to dual enrollment programs.

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Baton Rouge Community College as it relates to dual enrollment programs.

Approval of two (2) Extern Agreements between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Louisiana State University & Agricultural and Mechanical College for school psychology externs to assist in the following departments: I CARE and Exceptional Student Services.

Approval of amendments to the Pupil Progression Plan for 2014-2015.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval to Renew Contract

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the renewal of a contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Career Compass of LA in the amount of \$75,000.00 to provide college and career coaching services.

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

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

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

**Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr.,
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board**