

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

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 twentieth day of October 2011 in regular-session convened. The 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; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; Mr. David Tatman; and Mrs. Evelyn Ware-Jackson. Mr. Randy Lamana was absent.

Others present were: Mr. John L. Dilworth, Superintendent; Ms. Diane Atkins, Associate Superintendent for Instructional 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; Mr. Chris Trahan, Director of Communications and Community Engagement; and Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel.

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Reshard Pearson, Tara High School, and Colonel Fulton Johnson, Senior Army Instructor, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of School Board Minutes of September 15, 2011, Board meeting and the October 6, 2011, Committee of the Whole meeting

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Meetings of September 15, 2011, Board meeting and the October 6, 2011, Committee of the Whole meeting, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

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

Approval of Personnel Changes Since School Board Meeting of September 15, 2011

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that, the changes in personnel since the School Board Meeting of September 15, 2011, be, and they are, hereby approved. **(A copy of the Changes has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

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

Approval of a Resolution

By Dr. Nelson-Smith

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a Resolution proclaiming October 17-21, 2011, as "National School Bus Safety Week" and "Bus Driver Appreciation Week."

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

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

Approval of a Resolution

By Ms. Lee

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a Resolution proclaiming the month of October 2011 as I CARE "Red Ribbon Month" in conjunction with "National Red Ribbon Week," October 24-28, 2011.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

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

Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

By Mr. Freeman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the Smiley Heights Development and does hereby give authorization to Board Leadership and Superintendent to finalize this MOU.

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

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

Approval of Consent Agenda Items, Excluding Item #12

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Consent Agenda items, excluding item #12.

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Lamana 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:

Approval of the Baton Rouge Magnet High School Foundation Donor Recognition Policy.

Authorization for staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the demolition of Mohican Education Center Site, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid; Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 38; Chapter 10 and present the information to the Oversight Committee to fund through the Tax Plan. If the Oversight Committee will not fund through the Tax plan, then the item will be funded through the General Fund Budget.

Authorization for staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the demolition of Alsen Center, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid; Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 38; Chapter 10 and present the information to the Oversight Committee to fund through the Tax Plan. If the Oversight Committee will not fund through the Tax plan, then the item will be funded through the General Fund Budget.

Approval of a contract for Professional Development Services, including Data Analysis and reporting as part of a Comprehensive Assessment Program from ECRA Group, for the Diocese of Baton Rouge using Title II allocations. The amount requested is \$14,000.00 for the period of January – June 2012.

Approval of a contract for Professional Development Services, including materials for interim-assessments and workshop sessions on Data-Driven Decision Making, for Children’s Charter in the amount of \$25,000.00 for school year 2011-2012.

Approval of the following contracts and budgets: a.) contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Pediatric Services of America, Inc. d/b/a PSA Healthcare for the period of August 10, 2011, through May 23, 2012; b.) contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Healing Home Health, Inc. for the period of August 10, 2011, through July 18, 2012; c.) 2011-2012 Textbook Fund Budget for the purchases of textbooks for the period of July 1, 2011, to June

30, 2012; and d.) contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the Board of Education of the Jefferson County, Kentucky, d/b/a Jefferson County Public Schools, for the school year 2011-2012.

Approval of a contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School System (EBRPSS) and EBR City/Parish Government to allow the EBRPSS' Adult and Continuing Education Department to provide adult education classes for inmates in the EBR Parish Prison from January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2012.

Approval of Board policy changes.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of Contract

By Mr. Arbour

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a two-year extension of the Management Services Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and ARAMARK Management Services Limited Partnership to provide management services until February 29, 2016.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

The vote on the motion was as follows:

- Yeas: (8) Mr. Arbour, Ms. Dyason, Mr. Freeman, Mrs. Freiberg, Ms. Lee, Dr. Nelson-Smith, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Tatman**
- Nays: (2) Mrs. Bernard, and Mrs. Ware-Jackson**
- Abstained: (0) None**
- Absent: (1) Mr. Lamana**

The motion was declared adopted.

Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby give approval to defer a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the development of a foundation for the East Baton Rouge Parish School System until the December 15, 2011 Regular School Board meeting.

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

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

Approval of Test Security Policy

By Mr. Freeman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the 2011-2012 Test Security Policy for the East Baton Rouge Parish School System.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Lamana and Dr. Nelson-Smith were absent.)

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

John L. Dilworth
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board