

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
July 20, 2017**

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 the twentieth day of July, 2017, and convened in regular session. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. Mark Bellue; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; Ms. Dawn Chanet Collins; Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson, President; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Mr. Michael Gaudet; Mrs. Connie Bernard, Vice-President; and Mr. David Tatman.

Others present were: Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel; Mr. James Crochet, Chief Business Operations Officer; Mr. Gary Reese, Chief of Student Support Services; Mr. Adam Smith, Associate Superintendent of Academics; Mrs. Andrea O'Konski, Chief of Academic Programs; and Richard Ellis, Chief Officer of Technology.

Vice-President Bernard gave the invocation. Cadet/LTC Sydnie Hua led the Pledge of Allegiance accompanied by LTC Michael Stewart.

Approval of the School Board Minutes for the Regular School Board Meeting of June 15, 2017

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Regular meeting of June 15, 2017, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded By Mr. Tatman

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Resolution "Arts in Education Week"

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt the Resolution proclaiming September 10-16, 2017, as "Arts in Education Week."

Seconded By Mr. Gaudet

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Board Received Personnel Changes for Information Only

Board Received Monthly Financial Report for Information Only

Grant**By Ms. Collins**

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries grant in the amount of \$7,000.00 to be used to support the Greenbrier Elementary School Library to purchase easy read, science, and history/geography books.

Seconded By Mr. Bellue

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Professional Services Contract with Pena Language Consultants**By Mr. Tatman**

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Pena Language Consultants in the amount of \$12,000.00 for professional development training for ELL staff. (Funding Source: General Fund – Bilingual Programs)

Seconded By Ms. Lee

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Early Childhood Network and Raising Angels and Impact Charter Schools**By Ms. Collins**

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Early Childhood Network and Raising Angels and Impact Charter Schools to participate in the Community Network for the 2017-2018 school year through the Pre-School Expansion Grant.

Seconded By Mr. Tatman

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Cooperative Agreement with Louisiana State University AgCenter**By Ms. Lee**

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the renewal of a Cooperative Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the Louisiana State University AgCenter in the amount of \$61,750.00 (\$12,350,00 per year for five years) to support and administer the Louisiana Cooperative Extension 4-H youth development and community nutrition program. (Funding Source: General Fund)

Seconded By Mr. Gaudet

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Professional Services Contract with AMIKids

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the renewal of a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and AMIKids in the amount of \$600,000.00 for one year to provide instructional and behavior modification services to disengaged or expelled youth attending EBR schools. (Funding Source: Tax Plan)

Seconded By Mr. Gaudet

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Professional Services Contract with Instructure

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Instructure in the amount of \$27,698.00 for support and cloud subscription technology services. (Funding Source: General Fund: Technology Services)

Seconded By Ms. Collins

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Professional Services Contract with Louisiana State University

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the renewal of a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Louisiana State University in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the period of June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018, as it relates to course development and human resources to support the academies at Lee High School and the expansion of professional development offerings. (Funding Source: General Fund)

Seconded By Mr. Bellue

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Joint Agreement with CSAL Charter School, J.K. Haynes Charter School, Madison Prep Charter School, and AMIKids to Serve Meals

By Mr. Gaudet

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Joint Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and CSAL Charter School, J.K. Haynes Charter School, Madison Prep Charter School, and AMIKids to serve meals to charter school students. (Gary Reese/Nadine Mann)

Seconded By Vice-President Bernard

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Authorization for Superintendent to Execute Agreement with Follett School Solutions

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute an agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Follett School Solutions in the amount of \$62,163.00 for cloud hosting services for the Follett Resource Manager. (Funding Source: General Fund – Technology Services)

Seconded By Vice-President Bernard

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Louisiana State University to Provide Dual Enrollment for 2017-2018

By Mr. Lee

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Louisiana State University (LSU) to provide dual enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year. (Funding Source: Supplemental Course Academy (SCA) State Funds) (Andrea O’Konski)

Seconded By Mr. Bellue

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Authorization for Staff to Advertise and Accept Low Bids

By Ms. Lee

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby authorize staff to advertise, accept the low bid meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the HVAC and Roof Replacement at Crestworth 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 Ms. Collins

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Authorization to Amend Agreement for Grant Management Services

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the amendment to the agreement for grant management services and related matters.

Seconded By Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Authorization to Execute Agreement to Grant Access to a Tract of Land Adjacent to Lee High School

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby authorize the Superintendent to execute an agreement which grants access to a tract of land located adjacent to Lee High School.

Seconded By Ms. Lee

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Conjoint Agreement of Lease with J.K. Haynes Elementary Charter

By Mr. Bellue

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the renewal of a Conjoint Agreement of Lease between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and J. K. Haynes Elementary Charter School for a period of five (5) years.

Seconded By Ms. Lee

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Authorization for Superintendent to Negotiate and Execute Contract with BASIS

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and execute a contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and BASIS Charter and related matters.

Seconded By Vice-President Bernard

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (6)

Mr. Bellue, President Ware-Jackson, Ms. Dyason, Mr. Gaudet, Vice-President Bernard, Mr. Tatman

Nays: (0) None
Abstained: (2) Ms. Lee and Ms. Collins
Absent: (1) Dr. Nelson-Smith

The motion was declared adopted.

Previously Executed Cash Sale from East Baton Rouge Parish School Board to Southern Apartments

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the previously executed cash sale from the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board to Southern Apartments for immovable property located in East Baton Rouge Parish in order to amend the legal description of the property conveyed in the sale.

Seconded By Mr. Gaudet

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Student Rights & Responsibilities Handbook and Discipline Policy for the 2017-2018

By Ms. Lee

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the *Student Rights & Responsibilities Handbook and Discipline Policy* for the 2017-2018 school year for the East Baton Rouge Parish School System, with noted changes.

Seconded By Mr. Gaudet

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Revised Reorganization Chart

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the revised reorganization chart and related matters.

Seconded By Ms. Collins

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Nelson-Smith was absent.)

Point of Information

The results of the Superintendent's performance evaluation for 2016-2017 were discussed. Superintendent Drake earned a total composite score of 3.30 out of a possible 4.00.

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

Warren Drake
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board