

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

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2014**

**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 5:00 p.m. on the second day of October 2014, in regular-session convened. The Vice 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; 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.

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School Board Member, Mary Lynch, gave the invocation. School Board Member Vereta Lee, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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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:**

**Renewal of Contract**

**By Mrs. Freiberg**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval to renew a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and ONCOURSE Systems for Education, LLC, in the amount of \$63,000.00 for a lesson planner and website licenses. (Funding Source: Professional Development/Technology).

**Seconded by Mrs. Lynch**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, and Mr. Freeman were absent.)**

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**Renewal of Professional Services Agreement**

**By Mrs. Lynch**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval to renew a professional services agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and A&M College in the amount of \$13,000.00 as it relates to the NOYCE TIGERS program for the National Science Foundation. (Funding Source: EBRPSS will pay a stipend in the amount of \$10,000.00, and LSU will reimburse EBR for salaries and benefits not to exceed \$13,000.00).

**Seconded by Mr. Arbour**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, and Mr. Freeman were absent.)**

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**Servitude Agreement**

**By Mrs. Freiberg**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of a servitude agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the East Baton Rouge Sewerage Commission for a local services agreement/cooperative endeavor. The agreement serves as an acceptance of the transfer of property ownership and temporary access of equipment for the cash offer of \$10,695.00 for city-wide and future Christa McAuliffe Superintendent’s Academy sewer improvements.

**Seconded by Mr. Arbour**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Dyason and Mr. Freeman were absent.)**

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**Video Production Support Agreement**

**By Ms. Ware-Jackson**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of a Video Production Support Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Hometown Productions, Inc., in the amount of \$31,920.00 for the production of two video packages a month (October 2014-May 2015). (Funding Source: Communications Department).

**Seconded by President Tatman**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman was absent.)**

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**Cooperative Endeavor Agreement**

**By Mr. Arbour**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Louisiana Economic Development Small and Emerging Business Development Program for Northdale Superintendent’s Academy students to participate in a Youth Entrepreneurial Course. The cost for the program will be covered by the Louisiana Economic Development Department, allowing the district access to the instruction at no cost.

**Seconded by Ms. Lee**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman was absent.)**

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**Agreement**

**By Mr. Arbour**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval to continue a data sharing agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the LSU Foundation/College of Human Sciences and Education (LSYOU), AT&T Services, Inc., and Edvance Research, Inc. for 2014-2016 as it relates to the Louisiana State Youth Opportunity Unlimited (LSYOU) program.

**Seconded by Dr. Nelson-Smith**

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

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| <b>Yeas: (9)</b>      | <b>Mr. Arbour, Ms. Dyason, Mrs. Freiberg, Ms. Lee, Mrs. Lynch, Dr. Nelson-Smith, Vice President Smith, President Tatman, and Ms. Ware-Jackson</b> |
| <b>Nays: (0)</b>      | <b>None</b>                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Abstained: (1)</b> | <b>Mrs. Bernard</b>                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Absent: (1)</b>    | <b>Mr. Freeman</b>                                                                                                                                |

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

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**Policy Revisions**

**By President Tatman**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby refer the following item to the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board **without a recommendation:** approval of School Board policy revisions and related matters: FDC – Naming of Facilities, GBRHA – Sabbatical Leave, IDCA – Summer Session, IDCC - Kindergarten, IDG – Adult Education, IH – Academic Achievement, IHG – Credit Recovery, JB - Attendance, JBCBB – Homeless Children and Youth, JBCF – Unsafe School Choice Option, JDD - Suspension, and JGCD – Administration of Medication.

**Seconded by Mrs. Bernard**

**Approved for referral to the Board without a recommendation by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman was absent.)**

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**Purchase of Facility**

**By Mrs. Freiberg**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item to the Special Board meeting immediately following: authorize the Superintendent to purchase the former Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation facility located at 535 West Roosevelt Street, Baton Rouge, LA.

**Seconded by Mrs. Bernard**

**Favorably recommended to the Special School Board meeting immediately following by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman was 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**