

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

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 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 fourth day of December 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. 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 and Mr. David Tatman, President, were absent.

Others present were: Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr., Superintendent; 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, Barbara Freiberg, 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:**

**Grant**

**By Mrs. Freiberg**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of the Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy (SRCL) Program Grant in the amount of \$1,193,800.00.

**Seconded by Mrs. Lynch**

**Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman 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 Discovery Education Assessment in the amount of \$17,500.00 to provide professional development. (Funding Source: Curriculum and Instruction)

**Seconded by Ms. Dyason**

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

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**Professional Services**

**By Mrs. Freiberg**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of a vendor to provide professional service as it relates to the Moving Forward Initiative. Staff is to negotiate a contract with Grade Results not to exceed \$360,000.00.

**Seconded by Mrs. Lynch**

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

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

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

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**Settlement of a Law Suit**

**By Mr. Arbour**

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby accept the recommendation of Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, in the matter of: Karen R. Crawford v. EBRPSB, et al, Docket No.: 600,558, Section 22; 19th JDC.

**Seconded by Dr. Nelson-Smith**


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

<b>Yeas: (8)</b>	<b>Mr. Arbour, Ms. Dyason, Mrs. Freiberg, Ms. Lee, Mrs. Lynch, Dr. Nelson-Smith, Vice President Smith, and Ms. Ware-Jackson</b>
<b>Nays: (0)</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Abstained: (1)</b>	<b>Mrs. Bernard</b>
<b>Absent: (2)</b>	<b>Mr. Freeman and President Tatman</b>

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

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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**