

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

THURSDAY, JULY 21, 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 twenty-first day of July 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; Mr. Randy Lamana; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; Mr. David Tatman; and Mrs. Evelyn Ware-Jackson.

Others present were: Mr. John L. Dilworth, Superintendent; Dr. Herman Brister, Chief Academic Officer; 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.

Deacon Al Davidson, Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, gave the invocation. Cadet Sergeant First Class Haleigh Fabac, Woodlawn High School, and Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) William E. Peoples, Senior Army Instructor, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of School Board Minutes of June 16, 2011, Regular Board meeting, June 20, 2011, Special Board meeting, and the June 27, 2011, Special Board meeting

By Mr. Lamana

Resolved, that, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Meeting of June 16, 2011, Regular Board meeting, June 20, 2011, Special Board meeting, and the June 27, 2011, Special Board meeting, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Lee and Mr. Tatman were absent.)

Approval of Personnel Changes Since School Board Meeting of June 20, 2011, Excluding Items 9A #1 and #2, Page 31

By Mr. Lamana

Resolved, that, the changes in personnel since the School Board Meeting of June 20, 2011, Excluding Items 9A, #1 and #2, Page 31, 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 Mr. Smith

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

Approval of Items 9A, #1 and #2, Page 31 of Personnel Changes

By Mr. Smith

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve Items 9A, #1 and #2, Page 31 of Personnel Changes.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (5) Mr. Arbour, Mr. Lamana, Ms. Lee, Mrs. Nelson-Smith, and Mr. Smith

Nays: (5) Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, Mr. Freeman, Mrs. Freiberg, and Mrs. Ware-Jackson

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (1) Mr. Tatman

The motion failed.

Reconsider an Item

By Mr. Freeman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board would like to reconsider Item 9A #1, Page 31 of Personnel Changes.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

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

Approval of Item 9A #1, Page 31 of Personnel Changes

By Mr. Arbour

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve Item 9A-1, Page 31 of Personnel Changes.

Seconded by Mr. Freeman

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

Approval of Job Description

By Mr. Arbour

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the following job description: Intervention Teacher.

Seconded by Ms. Lee

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Smith and Mr. Tatman were absent.)

Approval of Job Description

By Mr. Freeman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby give approval of a job description for Fair Share Coordinator as it relates to the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Policy.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

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

Approval of Revised Policy

By Mr. Lamana

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the revisions to the Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise (DBE) Procurement Policy.

Seconded by Mr. Smith

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

Approval of 2011-2012 Pupil Progression Plan

By Mr. Freeman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the 2011-2012 Pupil Progression Plan for the East Baton Rouge Parish School System.

Seconded by Ms. Lee

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

Approval of Servitude Agreement

By Mr. Lamana

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a Servitude Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the East Baton Rouge Parish Department of Public Works for a servitude and acceptance of transfer of property ownership for the cash offer of \$19,519 for the necessary sewer improvements along East Brookstown Drive.

Seconded by Ms. Lee

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

Acceptance of Recommendation from General Counsel

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the recommendation of Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, in the matter of: Geneva M. Lee v. EBRPSB, Docket No.: 11-00223; District 5; Office of Workers' Compensation.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

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

Approval of Louisiana Virtual School (LVS) Agreement

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Louisiana Virtual School (LVS) Agreement between the State Department of Education and the East Baton Rouge Parish School System. The amount of this agreement will not exceed \$50,000.00.

Seconded by Mr. Freeman

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

Approval of the Proposed Scotlandville Elementary School Conversion

By Mr. Smith

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the proposed Scotlandville Elementary School Conversion.

Seconded by Mr. Lamana

Discussion followed.

The following substitute motion was made.

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby defer this item to the August 18, 2011 Regular School Board Meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

The vote on the substitute motion was as follows:

Yeas: (5)	Mr. Arbour, Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, Mrs. Freiberg, and Ms. Lee
Nays: (5)	Mr. Freeman, Mr. Lamana, Mrs. Nelson-Smith, Mr. Smith and Mrs. Ware-Jackson

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (1) Mr. Tatman

The substitute motion failed.

Discussion continued.

The following substitute motion was made.

By Mr. Lamana

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby request a workshop on this item.

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

The vote on the substitute motion was as follows:

Yeas: (8) Mr. Arbour, Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Dyason, Mrs. Freiberg, Mr. Lamana, Ms. Lee, Mrs. Nelson-Smith, and Mrs. Ware-Jackson

Nays: (2) Mr. Freeman, and Mr. Smith

Abstained: (0) None

Absent: (1) Mr. Tatman

The substitute motion was declared adopted.

Approval to Withdraw Request to Return to Board Standing Committee Meetings

By Mr. Freeman

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby withdraw the request to return to Board standing committee meetings (Personnel Services, Instructional/Pupil Services, School Operations, and Finance) rather than Committee of the Whole meetings.

Seconded by Mr. Lamana

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

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

John L. Dilworth
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board