

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2014

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 sixteenth day of October 2014, in regular-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. David Tatman, President; Mr. Tarvald A. Smith, Vice-President; Mr. G. Thomas "Jerry" Arbour; Mrs. Connie Bernard; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Mr. Craig Freeman; Mrs. Barbara Freiberg; Mrs. Mary Lynch; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; and Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson.

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.

School Board Member, Connie Bernard, gave the invocation. Cadet Major Ja'vona Mott, Broadmoor High School, accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel Michael Stewart, Senior Army Instructor, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of the September 18, 2014, School Board Meeting, October 2, 2014, Committee of the Whole Meeting, and October 2, 2014, Special Meeting

By Vice President Smith

Resolved, that, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board meetings of September 18, 2014, School Board, October 2, 2014, Committee of the Whole, and October 2, 2014, Special meeting, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Mrs. Freiberg

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Ms. Dyason was absent.)

Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming the Month of October 2014, as "I CARE Red Ribbon Month"

By Mrs. Freiberg

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming the month of October 2014, as "I CARE Red Ribbon Month." **(A copy of the Resolution has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Mrs. Bernard

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman and Mrs. Lynch were absent.)

Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming the Week of October 20-24, 2014, as "School Bus Safety Week" and "School Bus Driver Appreciation Week"

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming the week of October 20-24, 2014, as "School Bus Safety Week" and "School Bus Driver Appreciation Week." **(A copy of the Resolution has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Ms. Lee

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman and Mrs. Lynch were absent.)

Approval of Contract with Manuel Forestry, LLC

By Ms. Ware-Jackson

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a contract for timber management consulting services with Manuel Forestry, LLC.

Seconded by Mrs. Bernard

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman and Mrs. Lynch were absent.)

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

By Vice President Smith

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

Seconded by Dr. Nelson-Smith

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Freeman and Mrs. Lynch were absent.)

The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

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).

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).

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.

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).

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.

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.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of School Board Policy Revisions

By Ms. Dyason

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve School Board policy revisions: 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 Mr. Arbour

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mrs. Bernard, Mr. Freeman and Mrs. Lynch were absent.)

Denial to Declare November 4, 2014 a Non-Work Day for All Employees

By Vice President Smith

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve declaring November 4, 2014, a non-work day for all employees.

Seconded by Dr. Nelson-Smith

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (4) Mr. Arbour, Ms. Lee, Dr. Nelson-Smith, and Vice-President Smith

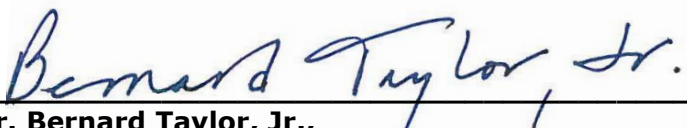
Nays: (3) Ms. Dyason, President Tatman, and Ms. Ware-Jackson

Abstained: (1) Mrs. Freiberg

Absent: (3) Mrs. Bernard, Mr. Freeman, and Mrs. Lynch

The motion failed.

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



**Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr.,
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board**