

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2016

5:58 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 5:58 p.m. on the seventh day of January 2016, in regular-session convened. The Vice-President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson, Vice-President; Mrs. Barbara Freiberg, President; Mr. Mark Bellue; Mrs. Connie Bernard; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; and Mr. Tatman. Dr. Jacqueline Mims was absent.

Others present were: H. Warren Drake, Jr., Superintendent; Dr. Michelle Clayton, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel; Ms. Adonica Pelichet-Duggan, Chief of Communication and Public Relations; Ms. Catherine Fletcher, Chief Business Operations Officer; Ms. Millie Williams, Chief Officer of Human Resources; Mr. Gary Reese, Chief of Student Support Services; and Mr. Adam Smith, Associate Superintendent.

The following items were presented to the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole by the Superintendent and staff:

Request to Accept Items V.1-V.5 and V.7 *In Globo*

By Mrs. Bernard

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the following grants listed as Items V.1-V.5 and V.7 *in globo*.

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

There was no objection by the Board. (Dr. Mims was absent.)

Grants

By Mrs. Bernard

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item:

- (1). approval of the Patterson Partnership Library Grant in the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000). This grant will be used to purchase library books for the Broadmoor Middle School Library.
- (2). approval of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Evangeline Section Science Education Grant in the amount of six thousand eight hundred fifty dollars (\$6,850). The SPE awarded ten (10) educators in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System. There will be eighteen (18) schools positively impacted by the award.

(3). approval of Louisiana Department of Education Building Pathways to High School Diplomas for Students with Disabilities Grant in the amount of ninety-one thousand two hundred dollars (\$91,200). This grant will provide tools and resources to assist ACT 833 Eligible Students attending Arlington Preparatory Academy in the successful completion of a Jump Start career education pathway, and all high school students with Disabilities in the obtainment of a silver status on the ACT National Career Readiness Certificate.

(4). approval of the Target Field Trip Grants Program at Sherwood Middle School in the amount of seven hundred dollars (\$700). This grant will assist with cost for twenty-four (24) French I students and teacher to travel to Vermilionville in Lafayette, LA to experience the many traditions the Acadian French contributed to south Louisiana.

(5). approval of The Quality Science & Mathematics Grant Program (QSM) in the amount of seven thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$7,940). This grant will provide materials and equipment to eleven (11) mathematics and science public school teachers within our district.

(6). approve the 2015 Program Grant from the U.S. Soccer Foundation and Program Grant Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School System and U.S. Soccer Foundation for one (1) year in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Mims was absent.)

Budgets

By Mrs. Bernard

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby favorably recommend the following item: approval of Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy (SRCL) Program budgets: Birth to Five, Grade K-5, Grade 6-8, and Grade 9-12. The overarching goal of the SRCL Program is to increase literacy achievement for all students from birth through twelfth grade by targeting pre-literacy skills, reading, and writing.

Seconded by President Freiberg

Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Mims was absent.)

Settlement of a Law Suit

By Mr. Tatman

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Committee of the Whole does hereby accept the recommendation of Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, in the matter of: Natachia G. Washington, Individually and on behalf of her minor child, "Jane Doe," vs. EBRPSB, et al; Suit No. 610,043; Division D; 19th JDC; Parish of East Baton Rouge.

Seconded by Mr. Bellue

Favorably recommended to the full Board by a vote of the members present. (Dr. Mims was absent.)

There being no further business, the Committee of the Whole adjourned by acclamation.

**Warren Drake,
Secretary/Treasurer to the East Baton
Rouge Parish School Board
Committee of the Whole**