

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
February 16, 2017**

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 the sixteenth day of February, 2017, in regular-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. Mark Bellue; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; Ms. Dawn Chanet Collins; President, Evelyn Ware-Jackson; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Mr. Michael Gaudet; Vice-President, Connie Bernard, and Mr. David Tatman.

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. Millie Williams, Chief Officer of Human Resources; Mr. Gary Reese, Chief of Student Support Services; Mr. Adam Smith, Associate Superintendent of Academics; and Mrs. Andrea O’Konski, Chief of Academic Programs.

School Board Member, Dawn Collins, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the School Board minutes of the January 12, 2017, (Special), January 12, 2017, Committee of the Whole, and January 19, 2017, (Regular) Board meetings.

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board meetings of January 12, 2017, (Special), January 12, 2017, Committee of the Whole, and January 19, 2017, (Regular) Board meetings, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Vice-President Bernard

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

Approval of Resolution proclaiming the month of March as “Music in our Schools Month.”

By Vice President-Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming March, 2017 as “Music in our Schools Month.”

Seconded by Mr. Gaudet

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Approval of Resolution proclaiming the month of February as “Black History Month.”

By Dr. Nelson-Smith

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming the month of February as “Black History Month.”

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Approval of Resolution proclaiming March 5-11, 2017, as "National School Social Worker Week."

By Ms. Collins

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming March 5-11, 2017, as "National School Social Worker Week."

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Board Received Personnel Changes for Information Only

Approval of Consent Agenda Items, Excluding Item #12

By Ms. Dyason

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Consent Agenda items, excluding Item #12.

Seconded by Mr. Tatman

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

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

Approval of the Lowe's Toolbox for Education grant in the amount of \$5,500.00 to provide materials/supplies needed to create a school garden/outdoor learning space at Mayfair Laboratory School.

Authorization for staff to advertise, accept the low bids meeting specifications and make the award of a contract for the construction of the New Ardendale Career and Technical Education Center as specified in *A Plan to Improve Facilities/Technology, Discipline, and Compensation in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System* (the "Plan") as revised through January 17, 2008, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law; Louisiana Revised Statute, Title 38; Chapter 10.

Authorize the Superintendent to acquire and implement a new student information management system and to provide for related matters.

Approval of the recommendation of Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, EBRPSB, in the following matter: Niki Coleman, Individually and on behalf of her minor child, Akyra P. Coleman vs. Alisha A. Grimes and EBRPSB; Suit No. 636,202; Section 27; 19th JDC.

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of Job Description for Resource Development Specialist-Foundation

By Mr. Tatman

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the following job description: Resource Development Specialist – Foundation for East Baton Rouge School System.

Seconded by Ms. Collins

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Approval of recommendations regarding the naming of the school and street for the Ardendale site

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the following recommendations regarding the naming of the school and street for the Ardendale site: EBR Career and Technical Education Center and Career Way.

Seconded by Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Authorization for Staff to Advertise, Accept Low Bids

By Ms. Lee

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the request for staff to advertise, accept the low bids meeting specifications, and make the award of a contract for the following projects, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law; Louisiana Revised Statute; Title 38; Chapter 10:

- a. Construction of the Glen Oaks High School Transitional Repairs
- b. Construction of the Glen Oaks Park Elementary School Flood Repairs
- c. Construction of the Greenbrier Elementary School Temporary Campus
- d. Construction of the Park Forest Middle School Flood Repairs
- e. Construction of the Park Forest Elementary School Flood Repairs
- f. Construction of the Professional Development Center Flood Repairs

Seconded by Mr. Bellue

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

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

**Warren Drake, Jr.,
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board**