

**SPECIAL MEETING
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**

FEBRUARY 22, 2018

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 twenty-second day of February 2018, convened in special session. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. David Tatman, President; Mrs. Connie Bernard, Vice- President; Mr. Mark Bellue; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; Ms. Dawn Chanet Collins; Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; and Mr. Michael Gaudet.

Others present were: Mr. Warren Drake, Superintendent; Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel; Mr. Adam Smith, Associate Superintendent; Mr. Ben Necaise, Associate Superintendent; Dr. Quentina Timoll, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Mrs. Andrea O’Konski, Chief Officer for Accountability and Assessments; Mr. James Crochet, Chief Officer for Business Operations; Mrs. Millie Williams, Chief Officer for Human Resources; Mr. Gary Reese, Chief Officer for Student Support Services; and Mr. Richard Ellis, Chief Officer for Technology.

Vice-President Connie Bernard gave the invocation. Board Member Vereta Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of "A Plan to Improve Facilities/Technology, Discipline, and Compensation in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System" (the "Plan")

By Vice-President Bernard

Resolved, that the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept "A Plan to Improve Facilities/Technology, Discipline, and Compensation in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System" (the "Plan").

Seconded By Mr. Gaudet

Discussion followed.

A substitute motion was offered.

By Ms. Ware-Jackson

Accept the "Plan" as written with the exception of the Broadmoor Middle Site Project, modifying the description from "Broadmoor Middle Site" to "Broadmoor Middle School" with major renovations and adding programming to include an arts component in honor of Bill Black.

Seconded By Ms. Collins

Discussion followed.

A friendly amendment was offered to modify the description of Broadmoor Middle School as follows: "traditional middle school with an arts magnet component in honor of Bill Black."

Accepted by the mover, but not by the seconder.

Discussion followed.

A second friendly amendment was offered to change the description to include the wording "traditional middle school" and excluding the language regarding an arts magnet component.

Accepted by the mover, but not by the seconder.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Yeas: (2)	Ms. Ware-Jackson and Ms. Dyason
Nays: (7)	President Tatman, Vice-President Bernard, Mr. Bellue, Ms. Lee, Dr. Nelson-Smith, Ms. Collins, and Mr. Gaudet
Abstained: (0)	None
Absent: (0)	None

The substitute motion failed.

The vote on the original motion was 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**