

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

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2012**

**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 eighteenth day of October 2012, in regular-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mrs. Barbara Freiberg, 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. Mr. Tarvald A. Smith, Vice-President, was absent.

Others present were: Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr., Superintendent; Mr. Marvin Trotter, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent for Parent/Community Engagement; Mr. Michael Haggen, Deputy Superintendent for Innovation and Reform; Ms. Diane Atkins, Associate Superintendent for Instructional Support and Pupil Services; Mr. Carlos Sam, Associate Superintendent for School Leadership and Instruction; Dr. Herman Brister, Associate Superintendent for Student Support Services; Ms. Catherine Fletcher, Chief Business Operations Officer; Mr. Jesse Noble, Chief Technology Officer; Ms. Millie Williams, Interim Executive Director of Human Resources; and Ms. Lizabeth Frischhertz, Chief Officer of Accountability, Assessment and Evaluation.

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School Board Member, Randy Lamana, gave the invocation. Cadet Major Alexis Rosse, Northeast High School, accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel Shirley Sutton, Senior Army Instructor, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Approval of School Board Minutes of the September 20, 2012, (regular), and October 4, 2012, Committee of the Whole meetings**

**By Mr. Lamana**

Resolved, that, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Meetings of September 20, 2012, (regular), and October 4, 2012, Committee of the Whole 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. (Mrs. Bernard and Ms. Dyason were absent.)**

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**Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

**By Ms. Dyason**

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. Smith was absent.)**

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

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**Items approved by the Committee of the Whole for recommendation to the Board:**

Approval of the following new job description: District Grant Writer.

Approval of a contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and The Achievement Network, LTD, Children’s Charter for the period July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013, for an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00.

Authorization for Mercer to audit the remaining population of participants with dependents in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System Health Care Plan.

Authorization for staff to negotiate a contract renewal with Medco/Express Scripts Pharmacy for the period February 1, 2013, through February 1, 2016, with the understanding that the final contract renewal will be brought to the full Board for final approval.

Approval of the following grant under \$50,000.00: Dollar General Literacy Foundation Grant in the amount of \$3,000.00. (Recipient – Ms. Corie Buras, Teacher, Southeast Middle School)

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***END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS***

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**Approval of a Sub-Contract**

**By Mr. Arbour**

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a sub-contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School System and Louisiana State University for the Math/Science Partnership.

**Seconded by Mr. Lamana**

**The vote on the motion was as follows:**

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

**Nays: (0)                    None**

**Abstained: (2)            Mr. Freeman and Mrs. Freiberg**

**Absent: (1)                Mr. Smith**

**The motion was declared adopted.**

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**Approval of an Agreement**

**By Mr. Tatman**

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a renewal of the EduSoft Assessment Management System License Agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School System and Riverside Publishing Company.

**Seconded by Mrs. Bernard**

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

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

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