

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015

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 the seventeenth day of December 2015, in regular-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. David Tatman, President; Mrs. Barbara Freiberg, Vice President; Mr. Mark Bellue; Mrs. Connie Bernard; Ms. Jill C. Dyason; Ms. Vereta T. Lee; Dr. Jacqueline Mims; Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith; and Ms. Evelyn Ware-Jackson.

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; and Mr. Adam Smith, Associate Superintendent.

School Board Member Connie Bernard gave the invocation. LT Dajon Khalil Plummer, Scotlandville Magnet High School, accompanied by Command Sergeant Major Louis Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of the November 19, 2015, School Board Meeting, and the December 3, 2015, Committee of the Whole Meeting

By Vice-President Freiberg

Resolved, that, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board meetings of November 19, 2015, School Board, and the December 3, 2015, Committee of the Whole meeting, be dispensed with and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Mrs. Bernard

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

By Ms. Lee

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

Seconded by

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

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

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

Approval of the revised organizational chart and related job descriptions.

Approval of a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and InfoSnap, Inc. in the amount of \$20,000.00 for a Pre-K coordinated electronic application system. (Funding Source: 8(g), ESS, Magnet, Title I, General Fund, SRCL, and Early Childhood Grant).
Approval of a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and ABC123, LLC, in the amount of \$24,900.00 for the Diocese of Baton Rouge’s Annual Summer Summit. (Funding Source: Title II Non-Public/Private).

Af the ExxonMobil LSU Cain Center Grant in the amount of \$39,000.00 to benefit thirty-nine (39) teachers working at twenty-two (22) schools throughout the East Baton Rouge Parish School System.

Approval of the WalMart Foundation’s Community Grants: (a) WalMart (College Drive location) in the amount of \$1,000.00 to provide students with project-based learning activities to develop skills in engineering, research, and social sciences. (Recipient: Joshua Danzy - Lee High School); and (b) (WalMart/Sam’s Club, Airline Drive location) in the amount of \$2,000.00 to purchase band uniforms for students attending Park Forest Middle School.

Approval of the Title I School Improvement (SI) – College and Career Readiness Support 1003a Grant in the amount of \$132,100: (Scalable Counseling Model Grant - \$20,000.00; Certiport Under-Served School Grant - \$29,600.00; and Internship Coordinator Grant - \$82,500.00) to provide college and career services.

Approval for the East Baton Rouge Parish School System to serve as fiscal agent for the Title I School Improvement (SI) – College and Career Readiness Support 1003a Internship Coordinator Grant.

Authorization for the administration to negotiate and execute an amendment to the current Career Compass Contract relative to the additional funding for the Title I School Improvement (SI) – College and Career Readiness Support 1003a Internship Coordinator Grant in the amount of \$82,500.00.

Approval of a professional services contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Heinemann in the amount of \$350,000.00 to provide literacy intervention services for students with disabilities and at-risk students at seventeen (17) elementary schools. (Funding Source: IDEA).

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval Professional Services Agreement

By Vice-President Freiberg

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a professional services agreement between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and OnCourse Systems for Education, LLC, in the amount of \$43,885.00, for an online platform to create and maintain school and teacher websites, create and submit lesson plans, and store documents for teacher and administrative use. (Funding Source: Technology and Professional Development).

Seconded by Ms. Lee

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Approval of Settlement of a Law Suit

By Dr. Nelson-Smith

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the recommendation of Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, in the matter of: Jennifer Graves Romero vs. Connie Jefferson & EBRPSB; Suit No.: 615,799; Section 22; 19th JDC.

Seconded by Vice-President Freiberg

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

Approval of Settlement of a Law Suit

By Ms. Dyason

Resolved, that, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the recommendation of Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel, East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, in the matter of: Kizzy Grose, et al, vs. Teisheka Green & EBRPSB; Suit No.: 604,880; Division "D;" 19th JDC (Claimant: Demarcus Schiele).

Seconded by Ms. Ware-Jackson

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**