

Regular Scheduled School Board Meeting (Thursday, March 17, 2016)  
Generated by Michele P Rivera on Monday, March 21, 2016

Members present

Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent

Ray R StPierre

Meeting called to order at 6:09 PM

1. Meeting Opening

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Information: 1.01 Roll Call

Information: 1.02 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was led by David Lauricella, Pastor of Harahan Christian Church. The Pledge was led by Mark C Morgan.

2. Presentations

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Presentation: 2.01 Technology Upgrades, presented by Vincent DiCarlo, Director of Technology

Presentation: 2.02 Haynes Advanced Academy Girls Basketball Team - Parish Champions

Presentation: 2.03 Ford Middle School Boys Basketball Team - Parish Champions

Presentation: 2.04 Thomas Jefferson High School for Advanced Studies Swim Team - Division II State Championship Finals

Presentation: 2.05 Thomas Jefferson Student - Anthony Richard, Jr. - 2016 Grammy Awards Media Team Participant

Information: 2.06 Jefferson Parish Early Childhood Collaborative Pre-K 4 Registration Process, presented by Denise Carpenter, Chief Student Support Officer

Information: 2.07 Helen Cox High School - UCA National High School Cheerleading Champions

3. Approval of Minutes

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Action, Minutes: 3.01 Approval of the Minutes of February 2, 2016

Move that the Board approve the minutes of February 2, 2016.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Mark C Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Mark C Morgan, Melinda L Doucet, Melinda L Bourgeois, Marion Bonura, Sandy DenapolisBosarge, Ricky Johnson, Larry Dale

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action, Minutes: 3.02 Approval of the Amended Minutes of the August 11, 2015 JPSB Meeting

Move that the Board approve the amended minutes of August 11, 2015.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Mark C Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Mark C Morgan, Melinda L Doucet, Melinda L Bourgeois, Marion Bonura, Sandy DenapolisBosarge, Ricky Johnson, Larry Dale

Absent: Ray R StPierre

The following public comment was heard:

Cathy Johnson, JFT, stated that other employees received their daily rate of pay for extended employment, it should be the same for all.

Kelly Ortolano spoke of the shortage in their department (Educational Diagnosticians) and the need for a competitive pay scale. Michelle Norwood (Pupil Appraisal department) spoke in favor of the positions being 10 month instead of extended year.

Board discussion followed. Mr. Fanning, Board Attorney, called for point of order, stating that the minutes were simply being modified was said at the meeting during this reading as it was incorrectly placed on the minutes.

#### 4. Second Readings

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Action: 4.01 Second Reading authored by Mr. St. Pierre regarding the naming the football field at Hoss Memtsas Stadium

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

Action: 4.02 Second Reading authored by Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge regarding employee mileage reimbursement  
Move that the mileage reimbursement for those employees who are reimbursed for the use of their personal vehicles for their jobs be adjusted to the IRS standard mileage rate each year, to become effective for the 2016-17 school year. All other rules and regulations on reimbursement will remain in effect.

Motion by Sandy DenapolisBosarge, second by Larry Dale.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

There was no public comment.

Ms. DenapolisBosarge stated her reason for the reading is that employees are currently paid different reimbursement rates for mileage. Brief discussion followed.

Action: 4.03 Second Reading authored by Ms. Doucet regarding the middle school model  
Move that the school system look into a new model to eliminate the traditional 6th through 8th grade in some of our middle schools.

Motion by Melinda L Doucet, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

There was no public comment.

The following board comment was heard: Mr. Floyd asked the staff to review the model that St. Charles Parish uses (lower/upper elementary).

Mr. Bonura stated he felt the Superintendent and his staff are on the right track.

Action: 4.04 Second Reading authored by Mr. Floyd regarding the Plaisance vs JPSB lawsuit

This item was deferred.

#### 5. Consent Agenda

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Procedural: 5.01 Public Comment on Consent Agenda

There was no public comment on Consent Agenda.

Board member comment: Mr. Bonura spoke regarding item 5.17 stating that Ms. Joseph and her staff are doing a great job trying to retain teachers and recruit new teachers.

Action (Consent): 5.02 Consent Agenda

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.03 Bid Acceptance, Riviere Elementary School, Project No. 2015-53

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid and Alternate No. 1 of Lincoln Builders of Baton Rouge, Inc. in the amount of \$1,980,000.00 and three hundred thirty (330) calendar days for a new classroom building at Riviere Elementary School as recommended by the architect/engineer, Burgdahl & Graves AIA Architects and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.04 To consider and take action with respect to adopting a resolution authorizing the advertisement for bids for the purchase of Sales Tax School Bonds (1/2%), Series 2016 of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of this item. A resolution authorizing the advertising for bids for the purchase of Twenty Six Million Dollars (\$26,000,000) of Sales Tax School Bonds (1/2%), Series 2016, of the Parish School Board of the Jefferson, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.05 2016 Capital Improvement Bond Construction Program

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the School Board approve the attached list of scopes of work, budgets and architects/engineers for \$25,795,000.00 in capital improvement projects. Individual budgets include professional fees and contingency.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.06 Change Order No. 1, Keller Elementary School, Project No. 2013-04

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$36,863.00 and zero (0) calendar days for the roof replacement at Keller Elementary School as recommended by the architect, Scairono Martinez Architects and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.07 Remainder of the School Year Expulsions/Alternative Site Placements

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the school board uphold the Remainder of the Year Expulsions/Alternative Site Placements.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Withdrawn from Agenda: 5.08 To approve central office job descriptions for the Human Resources unit and Student Support unit.

Action (Consent): 5.09 FY 2016 General Fund Budget Amendments

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the budget amendments that are included in the attachment.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.10 Professional Service Agreement with the The New Teacher Project (TNTP) to provide 30-35 highly qualified teacher to the Jefferson Parish Public School System for the 2016-2017 school year.

Resolution: Superintendent recommends approval of the Professional Service Agreement with the New Teacher Project (TNTP) to provide 30-35 highly qualified teachers to the Jefferson Parish Public School System for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.11 2016-2017 Academic Calendar

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the "Option C" Calendar

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.12 Transportation Manual

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the Transportation Policy Handbook.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action (Consent): 5.13 Motion to approve the contract between the Jefferson Parish School Board and the Government Consulting Group (Jennifer Ansardi's company) to monitor, advise and report on pending legislation affecting the Board and the Jefferson Parish Public School System and to provide information on pending legislation and its effect on the system.

Resolution: It is recommended that the Jefferson Parish School Board approve the contract between the Board and the Government Consulting Group, the company owned by Jennifer Ansardi, for Ms. Ansardi to act as a liaison between the Jefferson Parish School Board and the legislature.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Withdrawn from Agenda: 5.14 Facilities Long Range Master Plan

Action (Consent): 5.15 Inland Marine Insurance Renewal

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends renewal of the Inland Marine Insurance, Option #3 which represents a savings of \$2,610.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Action, Discussion: 5.16 Discuss and decide regarding an issue that has arisen in the matter of "Dodie Plaisance, et al., vs the Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th J.D.C., Div.: "C", 712-681."

This item was pulled for discussion.

Action (Consent): 5.17 Professional Service Agreement with Teach for America (TFA) to provide up to 16 highly qualified teachers to Jefferson Parish Public School System for the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

## 6. Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

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Action, Discussion: 5.16 Discuss and decide regarding an issue that has arisen in the matter of "Dodie Plaisance, et al., vs

the Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th J.D.C., Div.: "C", 712-681.

Motion by Floyd Mark C Morgan, second by Melinda L Bourgeois to amend the agenda as recommended by the Board attorney to discuss this item in Executive Session.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

## 7. New Business

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First Reading authored by Ms. DenapolisBosarge

Move that the K-8 schools who are fielding athletic teams receive the same stipend as the middle schools for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year.

First Reading authored by Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

Move for the 2016-17 budget year and thereafter, to include K-8 schools in the stipend that the middle schools receive from the Athletic Department.

Rationale: to help defray the costs of uniforms, coaches, referees and transportation. K-8 schools field athletic teams in grades 6-7-8 just as do the middle schools. This will place all schools fielding athletic teams in grades 6-7-8 in the same level of funding.

## 8. Public Comment

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Information: 8.01 Citizens who sign up prior to the start of the meeting will be called to speak.

Hayley Crown spoke in reference to her suspension process.

Cathy Johnson spoke in reference to job sharing and part time employment.

Diane Crouch and Brooke Juneau spoke in reference to recycling at schools. Patty Glaser spoke about the growth of Kenner Discovery. She also spoke about her disappointment that Kenner Discovery is not included in the facilities/rebuilding plan.

Emily Fulton Clay spoke in favor of Kenner Discovery.

A five minute recess was taken at this time.

Jennifer Fahrenholt spoke in favor of KDHSA.

Stephanie Seidmon spoke about the recycling program at Grace King.

## 9. Announcements/Good News

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Information: 9.01 Announcements and good news

## 10. Convene to Executive Session

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Action: 10.01 Motion to discuss settlement in the matter entitled: "Plaisance et. al. v Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th JDC No. 721-681, Division C"

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd that pursuant to the disclosure made by the court that the school system waive any conflicts related to that disclosure.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson

Nay: Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

Discussion: 10.02 Motion to discuss a proposed resolution of a potential employee legal matter

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Mark C Morgan, the item as discussed in Executive Session concerning the employee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Ray R StPierre

## 11. APPENDIX: Administrative Reports

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Report: 11.01 Check Register 01.20.16-02.29.16

Information: 11.02 Financial Health Summary and Budget to Actuals

## 12. End Meeting

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