

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

MARCH 7, 2012

BREAUX BRIDGE, LOUISIANA

MINUTES

The St. Martin Parish School Board convened on this day at 5:00 P.M. at the Breaux Bridge Instructional Center with the following members present: Messrs. James Blanchard, President, Floyd Knott, Mark Hebert, Aaron Flegeance, Russel C. Foti, Robert E. Hollier, Richard Potier, Frederic Stelly, and Ms. Wanda Babin.

ABSENT: Mr. Steve Fuselier

The meeting was called to order by James Blanchard, President. Superintendent Lavergne opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Ms. Mary Kinler, teacher at the Early Learning Center, was recognized as the Taylor and Sons February Employee of the Month.

The following items were removed from the consent agenda:

- a) Consider and/or approve a substitute athletic related project for St. Martinville Senior High School
- b) Consider and/or approve resolution regarding Education Reforms

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, and unanimously carried, the following items were added to the agenda:

- a) Consider and/or approve resolutions regarding Education Reforms
- b) Consider and/or approve authorization for the Superintendent to have a Staff Development Day on Thursday, March 15, 2012

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

On the motion of Mr. Stelly, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following consent agenda items:

- a) Minutes of the following meetings:
 - Regular Meeting of February 1, 2012
 - Special Meeting of February 8, 2012
 - Insurance Committee Meeting of February 8, 2012
 - Special Meeting of February 29, 2012
- b) Advertising for the harvest of alligator eggs on St. Martin Parish School Board property
- c) Proposed 2012-2013 School Calendar for St. Martin Parish Schools
- d) Pilot after-school art enrichment program at Parks Primary School
- e) Resolution designating March 19-23, 2012 as Violence Prevention Week (attached as Exhibit A)
- f) Designating March 30-April 5, 2012 as Attendance Awareness Week
- g) 2009 Bond Program
 - Substantial Completion for St. Martinville Primary New Restrooms

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- Awarding Bus Shop Renovations to the apparent low bidder, E.L. Habetz Builders in the amount of \$229,000 for Base Bid only. The Base Bid is within the budget available for the project.

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

On the motion of Mr. Foti, seconded by Ms. Babin, and carried, the Board approved a substitute athletic related project for St. Martinville Senior High School.

OPPOSED: Mr. Knott and Mr. Hebert

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board approved resolutions regarding Education Reforms (attached as Exhibit B).

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, and unanimously carried, the Board approved authorization for the Superintendent to have Staff Development Day on Thursday, March 15, 2012.

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Potier, and unanimously carried, the Board approved awarding Breaux Bridge Primary Multipurpose to Acadiane' Renovations, Ltd.

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

Superintendent Lavergne asked the Executive Secretary, Wynde C. Frederick, to issue a ballot to each Board Member to vote on an architect for the new Instructional Center. The ballots were turned in to Ms. Frederick who handed the ballots to Mr. Mark Boyer, Legal Counsel, to read.

Wanda Babin, District II – Angelle Architect

Aaron Flegeance, District III – Architect & Engineering Consultants, Inc.

James Blanchard, District IV – Architect & Engineering Consultants, Inc.

Russel C. Foti, District V – Architect & Engineering Consultants, Inc.

Robert E. Hollier, District VI – Architect & Engineering Consultants, Inc.

Richard Potier, District VII – Architect & Engineering Consultants, Inc.

Frederic Stelly, District VIII – Angelle Architect

Floyd Knott, District IX – Angelle Architect

Mark Hebert, District X – Architect & Engineering Consultants, Inc.

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On the motion of Mr. Flegeance, seconded by Mr. Hebert, and carried, Architect & Engineering Consultants, Inc. was selected as the Architect for the New Instructional Center.

OPPOSED: Ms. Babin

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

Mr. Dean A. Wilson, Atchafalaya Basinkeeper, appeared before the Board requesting possible reconsideration of the timber sell for Section 16 in the Atchafalaya Basin. On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, and carried, the Board approved to suspend policy and allow Mr. Wilson ten minutes to speak.

OPPOSED: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Blanchard

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

Attorney Mark Boyer will research the statute.

On the motion of Mr. Hollier, seconded by Mr. Foti, and carried, the Board approved the following Professional Personnel Changes on the Personnel Addendum:

RESIGNATION:

Guidry, Stefanie, Social Studies, St. Martinville Junior High; effective March 2, 2012.

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

Board Member Floyd Knott expressed concerns regarding the St. Martin Parish School Board policy on committees. A recommendation was made to continue to follow the current policy, removing the maintenance committee. No action was taken.

Board Member Mark Hebert discussed creating a policy allowing an outside agency limited use for the classroom portion of Driver's Ed, so students can do instructional time here in St. Martin Parish.

On the motion of Ms. Babin, seconded by Mr. Stelly, and unanimously carried, the Board went into Executive Session.

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board came out of Executive Session.

ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

On the motion of Mr. Flegeance, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the proposed settlement in the matter entitled Susan Toucheck vs. SMPSB, Docket No. 11-00540, OWC-Dist. 9.

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ABSENT: Mr. Fuselier

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Hollier, and carried, the Board approved the following Personnel Changes:

a) Professionals

MATERNITY LEAVES:

Cressionie, Ashley Vienne, Social Studies, Breaux Bridge Junior High; effective May 3, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

Hulin, Megan, 2nd grade, St. Martinville Primary; effective April 2, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

MEDICAL LEAVES:

Beihl, Paula, Kindergarten, Early Learning Center; effective February 6, 2012 through April 9, 2012.

Burdick, Zahn, Social Studies, Cecilia Junior High; effective January 26, 2012 through March 9, 2012.

Hebert, Doris, Elementary, JCEP; effective February 1, 2012 through March 16, 2012.

Kennedy, Carrie, 3rd grade, Teche Elementary; effective January 27, 2012 through February 10, 2012.

Landry, Linda, Coordinator, JCEP; effective January 30, 2012 through June 10, 2012.

Leblanc, Louisette, Foreign Associate Teacher, Cecilia Junior High; effective January 31, 2012 through February 29, 2012.

Thibodeaux, Susan, Registered Nurse, Cecilia School Based Health Center; effective February 27, 2012 through March 16, 2012.

FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE:

Garritt, Kayla, Pre-kindergarten, Breaux Bridge Primary; effective February 7, 2012 through May 15, 2012.

RESIGNATIONS:

Francisco, Sharon, English, St. Martinville Senior High; effective June 1, 2012.

Huval, Laura, Social Studies, Cecilia Senior High; effective February 8, 2012.

RETIREMENTS:

Humblet, Anne, French, Teche Elementary; effective May 31, 2012.

Huval, Elizabeth, Gifted, Cecilia Senior High; effective June 1, 2012.

b) Paraprofessionals

APPOINTMENT:

Barron, Terrence, Plumber, Maintenance; effective March 8, 2012.

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MEDICAL LEAVES:

Dugas, Allen, Custodian, Teche Elementary; effective June 2, 2011 through September 30, 2011.

Francis, Kila, Custodian, Early Learning Center; effective February 3, 2012 through April 29, 2012.

Guidry, Carolyn, Bus Driver, Stephenville Elementary; effective January 2, 2012 through February 6, 2012.

Roberts, Belinda, Custodian, Breaux Bridge Primary; effective February 17, 2012 through March 15, 2012.

Torkowski, Robin, Teacher Aide, Cecilia Primary; effective February 6, 2012 through March 8, 2012.

UNPAID LEAVE:

Dugas, Allen, Custodian, Teche Elementary; effective October 3, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

TRANSFERS:

Bourda, Michael, transferring to Dayne Huval's route in the St. Martinville area; effective March 8, 2012.

George, Edward, transferring from a permanent substitute driver to a full-time driver (Raymond Lee's old route), St. Martinville area; effective March 8, 2012.

Jetton, Trudy, transferring to Mildred Simoneaux's route in the Catahoula/St. Martinville area; effective March 8, 2012.

Kidder, Earl, transferring to Cynthia Taylor's route in the Cecilia area; effective March 8, 2012.

Ledet, Linda, transferring back from Nedra Bogg's route to her original route in the St. Martinville area; effective March 8, 2012.

Melancon, Mavis, transferring to Doris Patin's route in the Breaux Bridge area; effective March 8, 2012.

Penn, Carlton, transferring to Judith Patin's route in the Breaux Bridge area; effective March 8, 2012.

CHANGE OF DROP/RETIREMENT DATE:

Granger, Olan, Energy Manager, Maintenance; effective January 17, 2012.

RESIGNATION:

Taylor, Cynthia, Bus Driver, Cecilia area; effective February 2, 2012.

RETIREMENT:

Hayes, Terry, Bus Driver, St. Martinville area; effective March 1, 2012.

- c) Request for extra employment pay for Corita Andrus, Mandy Angelle, Cabrini Benoit, Dana Broussard, and Brenda Davis for the Cecilia Primary After-Care Program for the months of January and February, 2012.

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- d) Request for extra employment pay for Theresa Blankenship, Trisha Chauvin, Catherine Meche, Angela Toncrey, Crissy Frederick, and Julie Laviolette for the Parks Primary After-Care Program for the month of January, 2012
- e) Payment for Jenni Fortenberry for Breaux Bridge High School girls' volleyball coaching assistance
- f) Advertising of Breaux Bridge Elementary Principal
- g) Change in position of Teacher Facilitator of Technology to Supervisor I
- h) Contracted counselor services for the School Based Health Center
- i) Amending the recommendation to eliminate the part-time sales tax clerk position, making it effective June 30, 2012

OPPOSED: Mr. Potier

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT