

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

JANUARY 11, 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, Steve Fuselier, Richard Potier, Frederic Stelly, and Ms. Wanda Babin.

ABSENT: Robert E. Hollier

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

Board President James Blanchard opened the floor for nominations for President of the Board. On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Fuselier, Mr. James Blanchard was nominated for President.

The nominations for the office of President were closed unanimously.

Mr. James Blanchard was re-elected President of the St. Martin Parish School Board for the year 2012.

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

Board President James Blanchard called for the acceptance of nominations for Vice-President of the Board. On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, Mr. Steve Fuselier was nominated for the office of Vice-President.

The nominations for the office of Vice-President were closed unanimously.

Mr. Steve Fuselier was re-elected Vice-President for the St. Martin Parish School Board for the year 2012.

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

Mr. Stephen Knight, Teacher at Cecilia High School, was recognized as the Taylor and Sons December Employee of the Month.

Board President James Blanchard made the following appointments:
Steve Fuselier, Transportation Committee Chairman
Russel C. Foti, Education Committee Chairman
Richard Potier, Finance Committee Chairman
Robert E. Hollier, Insurance Committee Chairman
Wanda Babin, Discipline Committee Chairman
Mark Hebert, Athletic Committee Chairman

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The following Board Members' requests were removed from the agenda:

- a) Discuss buses traveling on private property
- b) Discuss bond money
- c) Discuss alternatives for the cost for the use of AccuFund

A motion was made by Mr. Knott and seconded by Mr. Potier to add to the agenda discussion of salary supplements (unanimous vote needed to add an agenda item). Board Members voiced opposition to the motion, so the motion failed.

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

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

- a) Minutes of the following meetings:
 - Regular Meeting of December 7, 2011
 - Special Meeting of December 21, 2011
- b) 2009 Bond Program
 - 1) Costs for IT connections associated with the Parks Primary new Classroom Project. This work was not included in the contractor's scope of work as a cost savings measure, in order to coordinate direct with School Board IT requirements (costs are within the budget available for construction):
 - Beau Interconnect - \$5,459.85 for New Classroom Building
 - Beau Interconnect - \$2,450.00 for New Library ClassroomTotal: \$7,909.85
- c) Request for waiver of sales tax penalties for BestBuy.com, LLC
- d) Colonoscopy as a procedure covered under our Group Health Plan as a Wellness Benefit
- e) Appointment of Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, LLC as auditors for the four years ending June 30, 2015
- f) Resolution authorizing President and Vice-President to conduct transactions for and on behalf of the School Board
- g) Revisions to the District Technology Plan

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mr. Fuselier, and carried, the Board approved the highest bid in the amount of \$98,000 to Good Hope Timber for the sale of timber on Section 16 Township 9S Range 8E.

OPPOSED: Mr. Knott, Mr. Hebert, and Mr. Flegeance

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board approved a resolution to pay off the remaining outstanding balance of Series 2002 Bonds in the amount of \$5,040,000 (attached as Exhibit A).

ABSENT: Mr. Potier and Mr. Hollier

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Mr. Russell Champagne with Kolder, Champagne, Slaven and Company presented the audit report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Potier, and carried, the Board approved the site of the Virtual Program at the Breaux Bridge Junior High location next to the Health Center.

OPPOSED: Mr. Foti

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

On the motion of Mr. Stelly, seconded by Mr. Hebert, and unanimously carried, the Board approved a change in dress code (sweatshirts) at Cecilia schools.

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

Mr. Knott made comments about the Veterans Day Program at Cecilia High School.

On the motion of Mr. Knott, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, and unanimously carried, the Board approved to amend the Superintendent's contract to add one additional year.

ABSENT: Mr. Hollier

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

a) Professionals

ONE SEMESTER APPOINTMENTS:

Landry, Velma, Physical Education, Cecilia Junior High; effective January 9, 2012.

Ridgley, Charity, Special Education, Breaux Bridge Elementary; effective January 9, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

Sonnier, Brooke, English, St. Martinville Senior High; effective January 11, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

TRANSFERS:

Fuselier, Michael, from a Special Education teacher at the Juvenile Training Center to a Homebound teacher at Breaux Bridge Elementary; effective January 9, 2012.

Jones, Leah, from an Elementary teacher to a Special Education teacher at JCEP; effective December 8, 2011.

MEDICAL LEAVES:

Benoit, Tina, Physical Education, St. Martinville Primary; effective January 10, 2012 through March 6, 2012.

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Roberts, Lucille, Physical Education, St. Martinville Junior High; effective December 2, 2011 through January 3, 2012.

MATERNITY LEAVES:

Cutrer, Megan, Psychologist, Special Services; effective February 7, 2012 through March 21, 2012.

Laneaux, April, Math, Cecilia Senior High; effective April 11, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

Tyl, Jandy, Special Education, Breaux Bridge Senior High; effective March 23, 2012 through May 4, 2012.

FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE:

Thibodeaux, Niki, Kindergarten, Cecilia Primary; effective November 29, 2011 through March 2, 2012.

RESIGNATIONS:

Borders, Anna, ELA, St. Martinville Junior High; effective December 13, 2011.

Miller, Sara, Health and Physical Education, Cecilia Junior High; effective December 23, 2011.

Williams, Katrina, Teacher, JCEP; effective December 29, 2011.

DROP/RETIREMENT PROGRAM:

Finley, Mark, Special Education, St. Martinville Senior High; effective February 1, 2012.

RETIREMENTS:

Walters, Walterine, Curriculum Coordinator, Breaux Bridge Elementary; effective December 23, 2011.

Wininger, Samuel, Homebound, Breaux Bridge Elementary; effective January 9, 2012.

b) Paraprofessionals

APPOINTMENTS:

Castille, Brenda, Special Education Aide, Breaux Bridge Primary; effective November 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012.

Patin, Jennifer, Food Services Technician, Cecilia Senior High; effective January 12, 2012.

MEDICAL LEAVES:

Bourque, Gertrude, Food Services Technician, Catahoula Elementary; effective December 1, 2011 through December 23, 2011.

James, Hayward, Custodian, Early Learning Center; effective November 16, 2011 through January 30, 2012.

LeBlanc, Jerry, Custodian, Parks Primary; effective January 10, 2012 through February 1, 2012.

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Roberts, Belinda, Custodian, Breaux Bridge Primary; effective December 10, 2011 through January 9, 2012.

Taylor, Cynthia, Bus Driver, Cecilia area; effective December 5, 2011 through January 6, 2012.

Thomasee, Ann, Bus Driver, St. Martinville area; effective December 19, 2011.

TRANSFER:

Belaire, Tammy, from a Food Services Technician at St. Martinville Primary to the Early Learning Center; effective January 12, 2012.

DROP/RETIREMENT PROGRAM:

Jones, Gayle, Teacher Aide, Breaux Bridge Senior High; effective January 9, 2012.

Robichaux, Norma, Custodian, Breaux Bridge Senior High; effective January 22, 2012.

- c) Request for extra employment pay for Corita Andrus, Mandy Angelle, Cabrini Benoit, Dana Broussard, Brenda Davis, Ashley Dore, Dawn Frederick, and Hope Stevens for Cecilia Primary's After-Care Program for the months of November and December, 2011
- 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 November, 2011
- e) Advertisement for a plumber

On the motion of Mr. Fuselier, seconded by Mr. Potier, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT