

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

FEBRUARY 4, 2009

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., Mark Hebert, President, Floyd Knott, Steve Fuselier, James Blanchard, Aaron Flegeance, Richard Potier, Rodney Ledoux, Frederic Stelly, and Ms. Wanda Babin and Mrs. Barbara Latiolais.

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Mark Hebert, President. Superintendent Lavergne opened the meeting with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Kerry Dupuis, First Grade Teacher at Parks Primary School, was recognized as the Taylor and Sons January Employee of the Month.

On the motion of Mr. Blanchard, seconded by Mrs. Latiolais, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of the following meetings:

- a) Regular Meeting of January 7, 2009
- b) Special Meeting of January 20, 2009

Mr. Joey Picard, President of Joe Picard, Inc., made a presentation relative to services offered at Picard Industries.

On the motion of Mr. Flegeance, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the audit report from Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

On the motion of Mr. Fuselier, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the appointment of Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, LLC as auditors for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

Mr. Alfred Guidry, County Agent – Parish Chairman, and staff members presented the 2009 LSU AgCenter Annual Report to the Board.

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mr. Knott, and carried, the Board approved the request for waiver of sales tax penalties, as recommended by administration, for Farmers-Merchants Bank.

OPPOSED: Mr. Flegeance

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A motion was made by Mr. Blanchard and seconded by Mr. Fuselier to amend the item relative to the Capital Improvements Plan to include a transfer of \$488,000 from the Instructional Center to the four (4) Breaux Bridge area schools and transfer 1 million originally moved from Cecilia High to Cecilia Primary back to Cecilia High School with the understanding that when the projects begin, that issue will be re-addressed at the time and all projects on an as needed basis.

Mr. Knott made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, to postpone the Capital Improvements Plan for two (2) weeks. The substitute motion was then voted on and failed, as follows:

FOR: Mr. Knott and Mr. Flegeance

OPPOSED: Mr. Fuselier, Mr. Blanchard, Mrs. Latiolais, Mr. Potier,
Mr. Ledoux, Mr. Stelly, and Ms. Babin

The original motion as amended was then voted on and carried.

OPPOSED: Mr. Knott and Mr. Flegeance

On the motion of Mr. Blanchard, seconded by Mrs. Latiolais, and unanimously carried, the Board approved an amendment to the Group Health Plan Document regarding maximum benefit for gastric bypass procedures, as follows:

Lifetime Benefit Maximum

Gastric Bypass surgery and all related complications \$25,000

Laparoscopic Banding and all related complications \$10,000

On the motion of Mrs. Latiolais, seconded by Mr. Potier, and unanimously carried, the Board approved implementation of the Buddies Mentoring Program at St. Martinville Junior High School.

On the motion of Mr. Ledoux, seconded by Mr. Potier, and unanimously carried, the Board approved revisions to the Overtime Policy GBAA for inclusion in the St. Martin Parish School Board Policy Manual (attached as Exhibit A).

On the motion of Ms. Babin, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, and carried, the Board approved reconfiguration of grade levels in the St. Martinville area schools.

OPPOSED: Mrs. Latiolais

ABSTAINED: Mr. Stelly

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On the motion of Mr. Blanchard, seconded by Mr. Stelly, and carried, the Board postponed the reconfiguration of grade levels in the Cecilia area schools until the March School Board meeting.

OPPOSED: Ms. Babin, Mr. Flegeance, Mrs. Latiolais, and Mr. Potier

On the motion of Mrs. Latiolais, seconded by Mr. Fuselier, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the proposal from St. Martinville Senior High School to borrow \$30,000 from the General Fund.

A motion was made by Mr. Knott and seconded by Mr. Blanchard to add a full time School Resource Officer at Breaux Bridge Junior High School for the end of this school year only.

An amendment to the motion was made by Mr. Ledoux and seconded by Mr. Potier to add a full time School Resource Officer and one (1) additional teacher at Breaux Bridge Junior High School, pending a Finance Committee Meeting.

A second amendment to the motion was made by Ms. Babin to add a full time School Resource Officer and one (1) additional teacher at Breaux Bridge Junior High, St. Martinville Junior High, Cecilia Junior High, and Parks Middle School. The second amendment died for lack of a second.

The first amendment was then voted on with a result as follows:

FOR: Mr. Knott, Mr. Flegeance, Mr. Potier, Mr. Ledoux, and Mr. Stelly

OPPOSED: Mr. Fuselier, Mr. Blanchard, Mrs. Latiolais, and Ms. Babin

The President exercised his right to vote and voted in opposition to the amendment. The vote was then tied and therefore defeated.

The original motion was then voted on and carried.

ABSTAINED: Mr. Hebert and Mr. Stelly

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. Flegeance, and unanimously carried, the Board came out of Executive Session.

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On the motion of Mr. Blanchard, seconded by Mrs. Latiolais, and unanimously carried, the Board approved to follow the recommendation of the administration in regard to Employee A, which involves pursuing a tenure hearing.

On the motion of Mr. Blanchard, seconded by Mrs. Latiolais, and unanimously carried, the Board approved to follow the recommendation of the administration in regard to Employee B, which involves pursuing a tenure hearing.

On the motion of Mr. Fuselier, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Professional Personnel Changes:

ONE SEMESTER APPOINTMENTS:

Boyd, Edward, Language Arts, Breaux Bridge Junior High; effective January 20, 2009 through May 26, 2009.

Cassel, Richard, Physical Education, St. Martinville Senior High; effective January 20, 2009 through May 26, 2009.

Delcambre, Sabrina, 6th grade, Breaux Bridge Elementary; effective January 7, 2009 through May 26, 2009, replacing Anna Belle Reed on sabbatical leave.

MATERNITY LEAVE:

Warfield, Carol, Homebound, Breaux Bridge Elementary; effective April 9, 2009 through May 26, 2009.

MEDICAL LEAVE:

Batiste, Roxanne, Science, Parks Middle; effective January 5, 2009 through February 16, 2009.

SABBATICAL LEAVES:

Dugas, Babette, Physical Education, St. Martinville Primary; effective January 5, 2009 through May 26, 2009.

Reed, Anna Belle, 6th grade, Breaux Bridge Elementary; effective January 5, 2009 through May 26, 2009.

RESIGNATIONS:

Dieterich, Destin, Physical Education, St. Martinville Senior High; effective January 9, 2009.

Frederick, Luther, Counselor, Juvenile Detention Center; effective January 27, 2009.

Huval, Angel, Supervisor II - Kids in Crisis, JCEP; effective February 4, 2009.

Molbert, Maureen, Language Arts, Breaux Bridge Junior High; effective January 16, 2009.

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DROP/RETIREMENT PROGRAM:

Burdick, Zahn, Social Studies, Cecilia Junior High; effective May 27, 2009.

Huval, Elizabeth, Gifted Teacher, Cecilia Senior High; effective June 1, 2009.

Morrison, Sheila, Kindergarten, Early Learning Center; effective January 27, 2009.

RETIREMENTS:

Anderson, Curtis, Industrial Arts, Breaux Bridge Senior High; effective February 2, 2009.

Averitt, Stuart, Social Studies, Cecilia Junior High; effective December 19, 2008.

On the motion of Mr. Blanchard, seconded by Mrs. Latiolais, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Paraprofessional Personnel Changes:

MEDICAL LEAVES:

Guidry, Amelia, Teacher Aide, Cecilia Primary; effective December 1, 2008 through December 19, 2008.

Olivier, Virginia, Bus Driver, St. Martinville area; effective January 5, 2009.

DROP/RETIREMENT PROGRAM:

Celestine, Barbara, Custodian, St. Martinville Junior High; effective May 5, 2008.

Hulin, Linda, Food Services Technician, St. Martinville Junior High; effective November 6, 2008.

Huval, Gayle, Teacher Aide, Teche Elementary; effective February 1, 2009.

RETIREMENT RESCINDED:

Huval, Gayle, Teacher Aide, Teche Elementary; effective February 1, 2009.

RETIREMENTS:

Johnson, Florence, Teacher Aide, St. Martinville Junior High; effective September 20, 2008.

Thibodeaux, Herbert, Transportation Manager, Bus Shop; effective March 1, 2009.

On the motion of Mr. Blanchard, seconded by Mr. Flegeance, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the request for extra employment pay for Brenda Davis for Cecilia Primary's updated Child Care Program for the month of October.

On the motion of Mr. Fuselier, seconded by Ms. Babin, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the request for extra employment pay for Regina Smart, Angela

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Toncrey, Catherine Guidry, Theresa Blankenship, and Crissy Frederick for the Parks Primary After-care Program for the month of December.

On the motion of Mr. Flegeance, seconded by Mrs. Latiolais, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following appointments for the 2009 Summer Drivers Education Program:

Breaux Bridge Area

Judy Romero	Classroom Phase
Joseph Filer Wiltz	Behind-the-Wheel Phase
Denise Thibodeaux	Behind-the-Wheel Phase—(Part-Time)

Cecilia Area

Brian Ellender	Classroom/Behind-the-Wheel Phase
Marty Lewis	Behind-the-Wheel Phase

St. Martinville Area

Carroll Delahoussaye	Classroom/Behind-the-Wheel Phase
Darrell Mitchell	Classroom/Behind-the Wheel Phase

Substitute Driver

Judy Romero

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mrs. Latiolais, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following two-year administrative contracts, effective July 1, 2009:

THOSE EXPIRING ON JUNE 18, 2009

Lottie P. Beebe, Director of Human Resources
Raymond Latiolais, Title I Reading Supervisor

THOSE EXPIRING ON JUNE 30, 2009

Rene' Angelle, Assistant Principal, Breaux Bridge Senior High
Clair Blanchard, Supervisor of School Nutrition
Henry Derouselle, Principal, Parks Middle School
Ginger Francis, Assistant Principal, St. Martinville Senior High
Patti Guidry, Principal, Teche Elementary
Albert Joseph, Assistant Principal, Breaux Bridge Junior High
Daniel LeBoeuf, Assistant Principal, Cecilia Junior High
Bridget Lovvorn, Supervisor of Special Services
Jody West, Coordinator of School Based Health Centers

THOSE EXPIRING ON JULY 11, 2009

Michael Kreamer, Principal, St. Martinville Senior High

THOSE EXPIRING ON AUGUST 6, 2009

Brenda Courville, Supervisor of LaTAAP
Jessica Landry, Principal, Early Learning Center
Wanda Phillips, Assistant Principal, Cecilia Primary

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On the motion of Mrs. Latiolais, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT