

**ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**

**JULY 1, 2020**

**BREAUX BRIDGE, LOUISIANA**

**MINUTES**

The St. Martin Parish School Board convened on this day at 5:00 P.M. at the Administrative Office with the following members present: Messrs. Russel C. Foti, President, Steve Fuselier, Jimmy Durio, Mike Clay, Richard Potier, Frederic Stelly, Floyd Knott, Mark Hebert, Mrs. Wanda B. Vital and Ms. Edna M. Johnson.

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Russel C. Foti, President. Mr. Allen Blanchard, Jr., Superintendent, opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

On the motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Vital, and carried, consider and/or approve closure of the School Board Administrative Offices on Monday, July 6 following the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday was added to the agenda.

ABSTAINED: Mr. Hebert

A motion was made by Mrs. Vital and seconded by Mr. Potier to add to the agenda consider and/or approve starting a Finance Committee. The motion failed (unanimous vote needed to add an agenda item).

OPPOSED: Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mr. Fuselier, seconded by Mrs. Vital, and carried, consider and/or approve the 2020-2021 contracts to provide services to students with disabilities was added to the agenda.

ABSTAINED: Mr. Hebert

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

- a) Minutes of the following meetings:
  - 1) Finance Committee Meeting of June 3, 2020
  - 2) Regular Meeting of June 3, 2020
- b) Recommendation of administration for acceptance of bids on SN Fresh Produce to Capitol City Produce
- c) 2020-2021 Student and Parent Handbook/Discipline Policy
- d) Intergovernmental Security Service Agreement
- e) 2020-2021 contracts to provide services to students with disabilities

On the motion of Mrs. Vital, seconded by Mr. Fuselier, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Finance Committee recommendations:

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- a) Contract renewal for School Resource Officers (SRO's) for the 2020-2021 school year
- b) Moving the remaining Breaux Bridge Elementary construction funds to Breaux Bridge Primary for the purchase of playground equipment or furniture. Upon receipt of additional bond funds in the future, Breaux Bridge Elementary's funds would be replaced.
- c) Awarding the JCEP Reroofing project to Lakeshore Roofing & Construction in the amount of \$135,007. Quotes were received on June 29, 2020. Funding source is PW Roofing.
- d) Proposal from Scott Hebert Interiors in the amount of \$22,945 demo of existing flooring and installation of new flooring for St. Martinville Junior High. Funding source is St. Martinville Junior High district.
- e) Reject the bids for the St. Martinville High School door hardware project
- f) Accept the change order proposal relative to additional contract days due to the impact of COVID 19 on the Cecilia Primary Multipurpose project
- g) Awarding Substantial Completion for the Stephenville Elementary Bus Canopy

A motion was made by Mrs. Vital to table the extension of the superintendent's contract until an evaluation is done. The motion died for lack of a second.

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Durio, and carried, the Board approved to extend the Superintendent's contract for two (2) years and evaluate within the next two (2) months.

ABSTAINED: Mr. Knott

On the motion of Mrs. Vital, seconded by Ms. Johnson, and unanimously carried, the Board approved closure of the School Board Administrative Offices on Monday, July 6, 2020 following the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.

A motion was made by Mr. Knott and seconded by Mrs. Vital to give employees an increase of \$80/month in the form of a supplement by lessening the transfer from sales tax 1 to maintenance by 1.2 million dollars.

A substitute motion was made by Mr. Hebert and seconded by Mr. Fuselier to postpone until September. The substitute motion was then voted on and carried, as follows:

FOR: Mr. Fuselier, Mrs. Vital, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Durio, Mr. Foti, Mr. Clay, Mr. Stelly, and Mr. Hebert

OPPOSED: Mr. Potier and Mr. Knott

Mr. Knott recommended a Request for Proposal (RFP) for School Board Districts. No action was necessary.

Board Member Mark Hebert expressed concerns regarding the following:

- a) Parishwide HVAC replacement project
- b) Concrete project in front of Cecilia High School concession stand and under bleachers

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On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Stelly, and carried, the Board approved for Attorney Mark Boyer to look into a settlement for the damages of the Cecilia High School Fieldhouse.

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mrs. Vital, and unanimously carried, the Board went into Executive Session.

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

No action was necessary for the pending litigation, Thomas v. St. Martin Parish School Board, Civil Action No. 11314 (W.D.La.).

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

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SECRETARY

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PRESIDENT