

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

AUGUST 5, 2020

BREAUX BRIDGE, LOUISIANA

MINUTES

The St. Martin Parish School Board convened on this day at 4:40 P.M. at the Administrative Office with the following members present: Messrs. Russel C. Foti, President, Steve Fuselier, Jimmy Durio, Mike Clay, Frederic Stelly, Floyd Knott, Mark Hebert, Mrs. Wanda B. Vital and Ms. Edna M. Johnson.

ABSENT: Mr. Richard Potier

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.

Mr. James Boyd, Bus Shop Foreman, was recognized as the July Employee of the Month sponsored by Southern Scripts.

Mr. Roger P. Hamilton, Jr., a candidate for Judge, 16th Judicial District, Division H, introduced himself to the Board.

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson to add to the agenda consider and/or approve amending the dress code policy allowing school employees to wear scrubs during the COVID-19 pandemic. The motion failed (unanimous vote needed to add an agenda item).

OPPOSED: Mr. Hebert

ABSENT: Mr. Potier

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

- a) Minutes of the following meetings:
 - 1) Finance Committee Meeting of July 1, 2020
 - 2) Regular Meeting of July 1, 2020
 - 3) Special Meeting of July 21, 2020
- b) Request for waiver of sales tax penalties (3)
- c) Amendment to agreement for Services and to fund the Louisiana Uniform Local Sales Tax Board
- d) Request for Industrial Tax Exemption for Louisiana Sugar Cane Cooperative, Inc.
- e) Request for Industrial Tax Exemption for Peppers Unlimited of Louisiana, Inc.
- f) Advertising for an agricultural lease in the Belle River area on Section 16, T 13S, R 12E
- g) Continuing the District Attorney's Early Intervention Program and Truancy Assessment Service Center

ABSENT: Mr. Potier

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Stelly, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Finance Committee recommendations:

- a) Accepting electronic payments from students
- b) Change order proposal relative to the request for 105 days related to COVID delays for the Early Learning Center EMS Controls Replacement Project
- c) Awarding Notice of "Acceptance for Beneficial Use" prior to Substantial Completion if authorized by the Board President, Superintendent, Principal, Architect and Project Manager for the Parks Primary Parking/Canopy Upgrades (Acadiane Renovations). Substantial Completion will be completed at the next Board Meeting.
- d) Awarding Substantial Completion for the following:
 - 1) BBE Bus Canopy (Acadiane Renovations)
 - 2) BBJH Misc. Site Renovations (Quality Concrete)
 - 3) CP Multipurpose Building (L.K. Breaux General Contractors)
 - 4) ELC Dining New Flooring (Scott Hebert Interiors)
 - 5) SMP Dining New Flooring (JC Construction)
 - 6) SMHS Rear Drive (JC Construction)
 - 7) PM Admin & Library Additions Partial Substantial Completion for Summer Scope Buildings B & D (Minvielle Lumber CO)
 - 8) PM New Delivery Drive (Acadiane Renovations)
 - 9) PM Parking/Canopy Upgrades (Acadiane Renovations)
 - 10) PM New Classroom Phase 1 (Bulliard)
 - 11) PM Reroof Building B (Lakeshore Roofing & Construction)
 - 12) ELC, PM, SMP Abatement (Gill Industries)
 - 13) SE Bus Canopy (Garden City Construction)
 - 14) PM Portable Building Demolition

ABSENT: Mr. Potier

On the motion of Mrs. Vital, seconded by Ms. Johnson, and unanimously carried, the Board approved to form a Budget Oversight Committee. Members of the Committee are Ms. Edna Johnson, Mr. Mike Clay, Mr. Floyd Knott, and Mrs. Wanda Vital.

ABSENT: Mr. Potier

No action was necessary for the item regarding the request for proposals on all services.

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

ABSENT: None

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

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Durio, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the appeals for the group health claim.

No action was necessary for the following items:

- a) Pending litigation, Thomas v. St. Martin Parish School Board, Civil Action No. 11314 (W.D.La.)
- b) Outstanding bond project items for the following:
 - 1) Possibly discuss status of testing, substantial completion, additional day request and liquidated damages which are being coordinated by board attorney.
 - i. BBHS/CHS Track and Field – Owner provided testing reports, Substantial Completion Document Signed, Outstanding punch list, warranty items

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

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT