

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

BREAUX BRIDGE, LOUISIANA

MINUTES

The St. Martin Parish School Board convened on this day at 4:25 P.M. at the Administrative Office with the following members present: Messrs. Richard Potier, President, Steve Fuselier, Jimmy Durio, Russel C. Foti, Frederic Stelly, Floyd Knott, Mark Hebert, Mrs. Wanda B. Vital and Ms. Edna M. Johnson.

ABSENT: Mr. Mike Clay

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

Mary Journet, Truancy Coordinator, was recognized as the August Employee of the Month sponsored by Southern Scripts.

On the motion of Mr. Foti, 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 August 4, 2021
 - 2) Regular Meeting of August 4, 2021
- b) Request for permission to call for bids on a School Nutrition Refrigerated Truck
- c) Resolutions indicating the authorized signatures on the school accounts for Cecilia Primary, Breaux Bridge Elementary, and St. Martinville Senior High
- d) Continuing the District Attorney's Early Intervention Program and Truancy Assessment Service Center
- e) Allowing the Acadiana Workforce Commission to place individuals at the schools to assist with sanitation and disinfecting facilities
- f) Voluntary testing for COVID-19 at schools
- g) Crisis Response Policy for the 2021-2022 school year
- h) Proclamations/Resolutions: (attached as Exhibit A)
 - 1) Yellow Ribbon Youth Suicide Awareness and Prevention Week, September 5-11, 2021
 - 2) Character Counts Week, October 18-22, 2021
- i) Payment for 2021 Summer Assistant Volleyball Coach at Breaux Bridge High
- j) Extra pay for St. Martinville High's Sporting Events (Ticket Sellers, Basketball Coaches, Cafeteria & Custodial Workers)

ABSENT: Mr. Clay

On the motion of Mr. Foti, seconded by Mr. Durio, and carried, the Board approved the following Finance Committee recommendations:

- a) Sales tax supplements for 2021-2022:
 - August – Professionals \$500 and Paraprofessionals \$500
 - November – Professionals \$1,000 and Paraprofessionals \$715
 - January – Professionals \$500 and Paraprofessionals \$500
 - May – Professionals \$1,000 and Paraprofessionals \$715

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- b) Creating the position of Desegregation Compliance and Reporting Officer
(OPPOSED: Mr. Knott)
- c) Payment to the delivery drivers and school food service office staff for the Summer Learning Program

ABSENT: Mr. Clay

On the motion of Mr. Knott, seconded by Mr. Durio, and unanimously carried, the Board approved up to 8 days of COVID leave for employees required to quarantine due to COVID through December 31, 2021.

ABSENT: Mr. Clay

The Public Hearing was opened and closed.

On the motion of Mr. Durio, seconded by Mr. Fuselier, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Finance Committee recommendation for adoption of budget for General and Special Revenue Funds for the year ending June 30, 2022.

ABSENT: Mr. Clay

The following Board Member's requests were removed from the agenda:

- a) Discuss supervisor's overpayment
- b) Discuss Headstart loss of employees

On the motion of Mr. Foti, seconded by Mr. Fuselier, and unanimously carried, the Board went into Executive Session.

ABSENT: Mr. Clay

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

ABSENT: Mr. Clay

No action was necessary for the following items discussed in Executive Session:

- a) Pending litigation, Thomas v. St. Martin Parish School Board, Civil Action No. 11314 (W.D.La)
- b) Delivery of report for Sales Tax

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

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT