

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

AUGUST 3, 2022

BREAUX BRIDGE, LOUISIANA

MINUTES

The St. Martin Parish School Board convened on this day at 4:10 P.M. at the Administrative Office with the following members present: Messrs. Richard Potier, President, Steve Fuselier, Jimmy Durio, Russel C. Foti, Mike Clay, Floyd Knott, Mrs. Wanda B. Vital and Ms. Edna Johnson.

ABSENT: Mr. Frederic Stelly and Mr. Mark Hebert

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.

Mr. Pierre "Pete" Delcambre, Maintenance Manager, was recognized as the July Employee of the Month sponsored by Southern Scripts.

Consider and/or approve the site for a cell tower on the Cecilia Primary property was removed from the agenda.

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

- a) Minutes of the following meetings:
 - 1) Finance Committee Meeting of July 13, 2022
 - 2) Regular Meeting of July 13, 2022
 - 3) Special Meeting of July 26, 2022
- b) Policy revisions for inclusion in the St. Martin Parish School Board Policy Manual:
 - 1) BH, School Board Ethics
 - 2) GAAA, Equal Employment Opportunity
 - 3) JAA, Equal Education Opportunities
 - 4) GAMB, Employee Dress Code
 - 5) JCDB, Student Appearance
 - 6) JBD, Student Absences and Excuses/Expectant and Parenting Students
 - 7) JCDAF, Bullying and Hazing
 - 8) JD, Discipline
 - 9) JGC, Student Health Services
 - 10) JGCD, Administration of Medication
 - 11) JM, Student Voter Registration
 - 12) EDD, School Bus Scheduling and Routing
- c) Revisions to the Student and Employee Technology Acceptable Use and Internet Safety policies
- d) 2022-2023 Behavioral Health Services Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- e) One-time payment to a CECP coach at Breaux Bridge High School for summer workouts

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

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

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- a) Head Start Policy Council Meeting agenda items:
 - 1) Financial reports (Baseline budget, CACFP, Supplements, American Rescue Plan, CRRSA, and Covid-19)
 - 2) 2022-2023 Budget Application (previously approved during July SB meeting)
 - 3) Salary schedule correction to # of days for Food Service positions
- b) Sales Tax Supplements for 2022-2023:
 - September – Professionals \$1,000 and Paraprofessionals \$1,000
 - November – Professionals \$1,000 and Paraprofessionals \$715
 - January – Professionals \$1,000 and Paraprofessionals \$1,000
 - May – Professionals \$1,000 and Paraprofessionals \$715

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mr. Foti, seconded by Mr. Clay, and unanimously carried, the Public Hearing was opened and closed.

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mr. Fuselier, seconded by Mr. Clay, 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, 2023.

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mr. Fuselier, seconded by Mr. Foti, and carried, the Board approved the Head Start Policy Council recommendations:

- a) PC Minutes 07/20/2022
- b) New Hire Recommendations

OPPOSED: Mr. Knott

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mrs. Vital, and unanimously carried, the Board approved two new positions – School Psychologist for Behavior and School Social Worker.

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mr. Foti, seconded by Mr. Fuselier, and unanimously carried, consider and/or approve a policy regarding the use of school board vehicles for travel to and from work was tabled until next month.

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mr. Foti, seconded by Mr. Durio, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Discipline Policy for the 2022-2023 school term.

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

The Board Member's request regarding comments about school board issues was removed from the agenda.

Board Member Russel Foti discussed lawn maintenance and requested the cost of an extra custodian at each school.

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

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

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

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

A motion was made by Mrs. Vital and seconded by Ms. Johnson to get additional support through resources for Student A when he/she returns to school, evaluate the student, and allow him/her to participate in extracurricular activities under guidelines.

A substitute motion was made by Mr. Clay and seconded by Mr. Fuselier to follow policy. The substitute motion was then voted on and carried, as follows:

FOR: Mr. Fuselier, Mr. Durio, Mr. Foti, Mr. Clay, and Mr. Knott

OPPOSED: Mrs. Vital, Ms. Johnson, and Mr. Potier

ABSENT: Mr. Stelly and Mr. Hebert

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

- a) Pending litigation entitled Thomas, et. al vs. St. Martin Parish School Board, et. al, Civil Action No. 6:65-cv-11314 on the docket of the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana
- b) Appeal for group health claim

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