

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

NOVEMBER 1, 2023

BREAUX BRIDGE, LOUISIANA

MINUTES

The St. Martin Parish School Board convened on this day at 4:15 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, Marlin d'Augereau, Mark Hebert, and Ms. Edna M. Johnson.

ABSENT: Mrs. Wanda B. Vital

The meeting was called to order by Russel Foti, President. Mr. Frederick Wiltz, Superintendent, opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Russel C. Foti made the following announcement:

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Department of Administration Building, 625 Corporate Blvd., Breaux Bridge, Louisiana, the Parish School Board of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held within the St. Martin Parish School District to authorize the renewal of an ad valorem tax.

Kassy Casey, IDEA/Special Services Secretary, was recognized as the October Employee of the Month sponsored by Southern Scripts.

Consider and/or approve Head Start Policy Council recommendations was added to the agenda:

- a) Finance Agenda Items
- b) Enrollment Reports
- c) Director's Report
- d) New Members
- e) New Officers
- f) New Hire Recommendations
- g) Front Office Floater
- h) Updated Head Start Lead Teacher Job Description
- i) Policy Council Meeting Days/Times

ABSENT: Mrs. Vital

On the motion of Mr. Clay 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 October 4, 2023
 - 2) Regular Meeting of October 4, 2023
 - 3) Special Meeting of October 31, 2023
- b) Extra pay for St. Martinville High's Sporting Events (Ticket Sellers, Basketball Coaches, Cafeteria & Custodian Workers)

ABSENT: Mrs. Vital

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

- 1) Creating a full-time counselor position from a contract position
- 2) Head Start Policy Council Meeting agenda items:
 - a) Finance Reports (Supplements (3), Base, CACFP)
 - b) Breaux Bridge Head Start Academy Relocation Project Update
 - c) Staff Wellness Plan and Budget

ABSENT: Mrs. Vital

On the motion of Mr. Potier, seconded by Mr. Durio, and carried, the Board approved the

Head Start Policy Council recommendations:

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OPPOSED: Mr. Hebert

ABSTAINED: Mr. Stelly

ABSENT: Mrs. Vital

Board Member Mark Hebert discussed the following:

- a) Employees pay pertaining to job description
- b) Campaign contributions to agency heads

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

ABSENT: Mrs. Vital

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

ABSENT: Mrs. Vital

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) Appeals - Expulsion

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

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT