

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020

The St. Bernard Parish School Board met as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the St. Bernard Parish School Board Office. Following the Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, the Secretary called the roll. Present were, Mrs. Diana B. Dysart, President, Mr. Donald D. Campbell, Mr. William H. Egan, Ms. Carly C. Jackson, Mrs. Katherine K. Lemoine, Mr. Clifford M. Englande, Mr. Joseph V. Long, Sr., Mr. Shelton P. Smith and Mrs. Rosiland R. White. Mrs. Darleen P. Asevedo and Mr. Sean K. Warner were absent.

Mrs. Dysart thanked Ms. Lumetta for stepping in for Ms. Voitier in her absence due to BESE Board business. Mrs. Dysart then asked for a moment of silence due to the passing of; R. J. Seibert, the son of Supervisor, Debbie Seibert, Sylvia Lemoine, the mother of PEN TV employee Barry Lemoine and Virgie Kraus, mother of Food Service Supervisor, Joni Blum. After the moment of silence, condolences were extended to the friends and family of all.

Mrs. Dysart welcomed members of the Louisiana State Reading Association to present awards from that entity. Ms. Kayla Russell began by presenting a Media Award to our own Alex Schneider and Ms. Tessie White-Stein presented an award for Educator of the Year to Ms. Brenda Montalbano. Ms. Bernie Hambrice presented an award to Tessie White-Stein for her outstanding work as President of the St. Bernard Parish Schools Reading Association.

Mrs. Dysart turned the meeting over to Mrs. White as chair of the Education Committee. Mrs. White invited Ms. Lumetta to present a review of changes to the Strategic Plan - Action Plan for the 2016-2021 school years. Handouts were distributed with both the Strategic Plan and the associated Action Plan. Changes were highlighted in yellow.

Ms. Lumetta went over each of the goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan - Action Plan to review and approve. Ms. Lumetta addressed all questions and concerns of the Committee.

As moved by Mr. Englande, seconded by Mrs. Lemoine, the Committee voted unanimously by a voice vote of the members present to recommend to the Board to approve the updates to the 2016-2021 Strategic Plan and Action Plan.

Mr. Englande, as chair of the Executive Committee welcomed Ms. Lumetta to present the personnel changes. Questions and concerns from the Committee were addressed by Ms. Lumetta. Mrs. Dysart moved to grant the leave without Pay for Ms. Julie Raymond. Seconded by Mrs. Lemoine, the motion carried unanimously by a voice vote of the members present. Mrs. Dysart and the Board also congratulated Mr. Clarence Barrow on his retirement from Chalmette High.

Mrs. Dysart next welcomed Ms. Julie Ginart, Transportation Supervisor, who presented to the Committee the 2020-2021 Transportation Routes. She provided each member with a route description and a route map by school and talked about the possibility of changes due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Ginart directed the Committee to look at the handout which displayed all the routes and times for each school. Ms. Ginart then answered all questions and addressed all comments of the Committee.

On motion of Mrs. Lemoine, seconded by Mr. Long, and passed by a unanimous voice vote, the Committee voted to recommend to the Board to approve the 2020-2021 Transportation Routes as presented by Ms. Ginart at the meeting tonight.

Mr. Egan acted as the chairman for the following item to be addressed by the Insurance Committee.

Mr. Fernandez presented the Renewal of Student and Athletic Insurance for 2020-2021 to the Committee. He explained that at this time the Administration recommends Risk Services at the same cost as last year which is \$49,398.00. He also noted that Risk Services also issued a credit for last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic in the amount of \$7,020.00 which will bring the actual amount to be paid for this year to \$42,378.00.

On motion of Ms. Jackson seconded by Mrs. Dysart, the Committee voted unanimously by a voice vote of the members present to recommend to the Board to approve the renewal of Student and Athletic Insurance for 2020-2021 from Risk Services at a cost of \$42,378.00.

Under Superintendent's Recommendations Ms. Lumetta noted any updates on the re-opening of schools will come from Ms. Voitier upon the completion of the BESE meeting taking place today and Administration meetings that are taking place this week. Ms. Lumetta did mention that a virtual option will be offered and the information meeting for that option will take place on Monday, July 20th at 3:00 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Smith, and passed by a unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned.