



## MEETING MINUTES

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### Attendance

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#### Voting Members – Present

Guienzy Brent, Board Member  
Lindsey Anslem, Board Member  
Debra Jones, Board Member  
Ginger Griffin, Board Member  
Marilyn LaSalle, Board Member  
Chad Paradee, Board Member  
Alaina Black, Board Member - President  
Andrew Mancuso, Board Member  
Rhonda Dennis, Board Member  
Lawrence Guillory, Board Member

#### Absent

Tammie Moore, Board Member - Vice-President

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### I. Meeting Called to Order (Mrs. Black)

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Black.

#### 1. Roll Call (Dr. Fegenbush)

The roll call was conducted by Dr. Fegenbush.

### II. Business Affairs

#### 1. Review General Funds, Maintenance District Funds, and School Food Service Funds of the Consolidated Budget for the year ending June 30, 2026 (Mrs. Voisin)

Chief Financial Officer, Becky Voisin, and Chief Accountant, Mason Foret, provided the Board with a Budget Workshop booklet and other supporting documents for the 2025-2026 budget projections on the General Funds, Maintenance District Funds, and School Food Service Funds.

Mrs. Voisin briefly explained the proposed 2025-2026 school allocations (Dollar Per Pupil) funding rates for each category. The proposal includes increasing the per-pupil funding rates from \$25 to \$28, \$22 to \$25, and \$21 to \$25, depending on the category. These changes resulted in a net increase of approximately \$35,000 compared to the previous year.

Additional adjustments include increasing the furniture allocation from \$5 to \$10 per student, totaling \$67,120. Copier rental rates were raised from \$12.66 to \$16.50, with a total cost of \$110,748. PBIS funding remains unchanged at \$13,424. Security and officials' allocations were increased from \$9,150 to \$15,000 for high schools and from \$4,500 to \$5,000 for junior high schools, totaling \$120,000. Phone line and art allocations remain unchanged at \$26,640. The total amount being requested for approval to distribute to schools is \$536,795.

The General Fund budget, which includes a projected fund balance of \$39 million as of July 1, 2025. Anticipated revenues for the fiscal year total \$90.8 million, while anticipated expenditures are projected at \$91.7 million, resulting in a projected deficiency of approximately \$941,000. Despite this shortfall, the ending fund balance is expected to be \$38.264 million. The budget presented is a legally adopted budget.

The board reviewed the projected fund balances as of July 1, 2025, for all three Maintenance Districts I, II, and III, which total approximately \$4.4 million. Estimated revenues for the upcoming fiscal year are \$7.9 million, while estimated expenditures are \$9.4 million, resulting in a projected deficit of \$1.86 million. Despite the deficit, the districts are expected to maintain a positive fund balance of \$2.545 million. The proposed budget is legally compliant and balanced.

The board reviewed the Food Service budget, which includes a projected fund balance of \$3 million as of July 1, 2025. Estimated revenues for the fiscal year are \$6.5 million, while estimated expenditures are \$7.8 million, resulting in a projected deficit of approximately \$1.3 million. Despite the deficit, the ending fund balance is expected to be \$1.7 million.

Revenues in the School Food Service account are primarily generated through meal reimbursements, with an additional \$469,000 from commodities and \$500,000 from the General Fund through the MFP allocation. Major expenses within the food service program include salaries for cafeteria managers and workers, food costs-which account for 34 percent of the budget-and kitchen supplies.

The formal adoption of the St. Mary Parish School Board Consolidated Budget will be approved at the Thursday, September 11, 2025, regular school board meeting at 5:30 p.m., at the Central Office Complex in Centerville, Louisiana.

A public hearing will be held on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 5:15 p.m., prior to the regular school board meeting of the St. Mary Parish School Board, at the Central Office Complex in Centerville, Louisiana for the purpose of reviewing and receiving input from the public on the Consolidated Budget General Fund, Special Revenue Funds and all other Funds of the St. Mary Parish School Board for the year ending June 30, 2026.

The Consolidated Budget will be available for public inspection at the Central Office Complex located at 474 Hwy 317, Centerville, Louisiana.

### **III. Closing - Adjournment (Mrs. Black)**

A motion was made and duly seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Motion made by: Marilyn LaSalle

Motion seconded by: Debra Jones

Voting:

Unanimously Approved