CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

October 15, 2026

The Claiborne Parish School Board met in a regular session at the Claiborne Parish School Board in Homer, Louisiana at six o'clock October 15, 2026 with the following members:

Present: Patricia Stevens, Stewart Griffin, William Maddox, Linda Knox, Perry Anderson, Roy Mardis, David Nokes,

Absent: Yolanda Coleman, Tommy Davidson and Mark Perot

There was also present Mr. Chris Brooks, Secretary of the Board.

Mr. Brandon Young, a seventh-grade student at Homer Jr. High, opened the meeting with a beautiful prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Perry Anderson shared Brandon is a dedicated and well-rounded student whose enthusiasm for learning shines both in and out of the classroom. Brandon possesses a strong passion for education, with a particular love of reading and writing. Beyond his academic interests, he actively participates in school organizations, including JAG and FBLA. Teachers and staff at Homer Jr. High value his exceptional technological skills. Brandon can effortlessly resolve and Smart Board issue with just a few clicks and helps teachers maximize instructional time. He takes great pride in his conduct and school involvement, with one of his favorite academic memories being a trip to attend a Louisiana Tech basketball game. Outside of his school accomplishments, Brandon is involved in community and fellowship. He is an active member of First Ebenezer Baptist Church, where he lends his voice to the church choir. In his free time, he balances his scholarly pursuits by spending quality time outdoors with his friends. Brandon's helpful nature, commitment to excellence, and reliable character make him a truly valued student and peer.

The minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting, Educational Committee Meeting and the Regular Meeting held on September 10, 2026, which had been emailed to the Board Members previously, were approved unanimously with a motion made by Mr. Mardis and seconded by Mrs. Knox.

Superintendent Brooks requested to the board to consider and take action with respect to adopting a resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Claiborne Parish School District, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana, to authorize the continuation of special taxes therein, making application to the state bond commission, and providing for other matters inconnection therewith. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mrs. Knox. The motion passed to approve by a roll call vote, 7 yays, 0 nays, 3 absent.

Patricia Stevens	X			
Stewart Griffin	X			
Yolanda Coleman				x
Perry Anderson	X			
Linda Knox	X			
William Maddox	x			
Tommy Davidson				x
Roy Mardis	X			
David Nokes	X			
Mark Perot				x

The following resolution was offered by ____Stewart Griffin_____ and seconded by _____Linda Knox_____:

RESOLUTION

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Claiborne Parish Consolidated School District (Parishwide), State of Louisiana, to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish School Board of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Claiborne Parish Consolidated School District (Parishwide), State of Louisiana (the "District"), that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, including Article VIII, Section 13(C) Third thereof, the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the District on **SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2027**, between the hours of seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE CONTINUATION)

Shall the Claiborne Parish Consolidated School District (Parishwide), State of Louisiana, be authorized to continue to levy and collect a tax of 10.13 mills on all the property subject to taxation in the District (an estimated $1,212,600 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2028 and ending with the year 2037, for the purpose of providing additional support to public elementary and secondary schools in the District, including paying salaries and benefits of teachers and District employees, said millage to represent a 0.13 mills increase (due to reappraisal) over the 10 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2027 pursuant to an election held on April 28, 2018?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the official journal of the District once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the publication of the Notice of Election, the President of the Governing Authority is authorized and directed to make any amendments to the foregoing proposition that may be required to comply with any state or federal regulatory agencies.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Claiborne Parish School Board Office, 415 E. Main Street, Homer, Louisiana, on **THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2027**, at **6:00 P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places for the precincts in the District are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners; Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the District will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Secretary of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the President and/or Secretary of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of Claiborne Parish and the Registrar of Voters of Claiborne Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to continue to levy and collect the special tax provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

SECTION 9. Employment of Counsel. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel on matters related to the special election, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., is hereby employed as special counsel for said purpose for a term not exceeding one (1) year from the date of this resolution. The fee to be paid said special counsel shall be an amount computed at hourly rate based on the Attorney General's then current Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule, not to exceed $2,000 in the aggregate, together with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, and payment for the work herein specified is hereby approved without further action of this Governing Authority as and when invoices are presented. The scope of this legal representation does not involve federal claims.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 7

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 3

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 15th day of October, 2026.

/s/ Chris Brooks	/s/ Perry Anderson
Secretary	President

EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Parish School Board of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Claiborne Parish Consolidated School District (Parishwide), State of Louisiana (the "District"), on October 15, 2026, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the District on **SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2027**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the District qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
(MILLAGE CONTINUATION)

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The said special election will be held at each and every polling place in the Parish, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541.

The polling places at the precincts in the District are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is $7,100.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the tax described in the Proposition shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Claiborne Parish School Board Office, 415 E. Main Street, Homer, Louisiana, on **THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2027**, at **6:00 P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the said special election. All registered voters of the District are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF CLAIBORNE

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of the Claiborne Parish Consolidated School District (Parishwide), State

of Louisiana (the "District"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings taken by the Governing Authority on October 15, 2026, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the District to authorize the continuation of a special tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature, on this, the 15th day of October, 2026.

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Secretary

Mrs. Hannah Sanders, Principal at Haynesville Elementary, presented a certificate to Ms. Isabella Johnson, a fourth-grade student, in recognition of earning a perfect score on the ELA portion of the Leap Test.

Mr. Brooks presented the Pupil Progression Plan to the Board. This is also an annual occurrence, and the plan addresses student placement and promotion. Superintendent Brooks requested approval of the Pupil Progression Plan. Mr. Mardis made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Stevens. Motion passed by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no.

Superintendent Brooks requested permission to disperse the mandatory state $1,000/$2,000 stipends for faculty/staff for November 20, 2026. Mr. Griffin made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Stevens. Motion passed by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Brooks made a request in conjunction with approving the stipends that salary schedules by revised. Ms. Stevens made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Griffin. Motion passed by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Brooks requested the board approve policy revisions JD(Discipline), IDDF (Education of students with exceptionalities), GBRIB (Sick Leave), EBBC (Emergency Operations Plans) and GBRIA (Personal Leave). Mrs. Know made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Stevens. Motion passed by a vote of 7 yes, 0 no.

Ms. Turner briefly discussed the September financials.

Superintendent's Report:

1. Personnel activity that has occurred since the September 10, 2026, meeting:

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Personnel Actions – October 15, 2026

I. To be Hired:

a. Certified Teaching or Administrative Positions

Name	Position	Effective	Replacing

b. Classified, Support, Bus Drivers or Other Non-Certificated Positions

Name	Position	Effective	Replacing
Whitney Hunter-Homer High	Food Tech	8/24/26	Erin Cornelius

II. Resignations, Retirements:

Name	Position	Effective	Reason
Henry Ford-Homer High	Teacher	10/1/26	Resigned

III. Transfers:

Name	Position	Effective	Reason
Monica Morrow	IEP Coordinator	8/24/26	Replacing Terry Pelfrey

1. Parent/Teacher Conferences are Monday, October 19th, 2026.
2. Legends Fest is this Saturday. Students and clubs will be fundraising during this event,
3. Next month's meeting will be held at Summerfield High School.
4. Office of Group Benefits enrollment is open until November. 15th, 2026.
5. Haynesville Homecoming is this Friday, the 16th.
6. Homer Homecoming is Friday, October 23rd, 2026.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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Perry Anderson, President
Claiborne Parish School Board

ATTEST:

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Mr. Chris Brooks, Secretary
Claiborne Parish School Board