

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

December 3, 2013

The Terrebonne Parish School Board met today at 7:00 P.M. in regular session at its regular meeting place, the Terrebonne Parish School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, Houma, Louisiana, with Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, President, presiding, and the following members present: Mr. Richard Jackson, Vice-President; Mr. Gregory Harding, Ms. Debi Benoit, Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin, Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Mr. Donald Duplantis, and Mr. Hayes J. Badeaux.

ABSENT: Mr. Roosevelt Thomas

Mr. Bordelon led the Board and audience in the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Debra Ledet Dupre, school bus driver in the Transportation Department, who recently passed away.

At this time, the Board recognized Ms. Beryl Amedee, Terrebonne Parish Council Chairwoman, and Mr. Danny Babin, Terrebonne Parish Councilman, who were in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Harding, unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of School Board Meeting of November 19, 2013, as recorded.

Ms. Amedee and Mr. Babin addressed the Board regarding "Request Consideration of Adding Certain Information Concerning Drowning Prevention to Appropriate School Curriculum."

Superintendent Philip Martin made brief remarks regarding the foregoing matter.

Mr. Thomas entered the meeting at this time and was present for the remainder of the proceedings.

Ms. Vicki Bonvillain, concerned citizen, addressed the Board regarding "Common Core State Standards."

Ms. Sheri Loyd, concerned citizen, addressed the Board regarding "One Size Fits All...Common Core."

The following report of the Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee meeting was presented to the Board with Mr. Duplantis, Chairman, presiding:

Dear Members of the Board:

The FINANCE, INSURANCE, and SECTION 16 LANDS COMMITTEE met in the Board Room of the School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, at 5:00 P.M. on Monday, November 18, 2013, with the following members present: Mr. Donald Duplantis, Chairman, Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Vice-Chairman, and Mrs. Debi Benoit. Also in attendance were Mr. Richard Jackson, Vice-President, Assistant Superintendent Carol Davis, and members of the staff.

Mr. Duplantis called the meeting to order. The meeting began with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mrs. Davis addressed the Committee regarding approval for the extension of Audit and Agreed-Upon Procedures Contracts with Lanaux & Felger, Certified Public Accountants (see attachment).

Mr. Mark Felger, Lanaux & Felger, CPA, addressed the Committee regarding the extension of Audit and Agreed-Upon Procedures Contracts with Lanaux & Felger, Certified Public Accountants.

Mrs. Benoit, seconded by Mr. Thomas, offered the following motion:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The Committee recommends that the Board approve the extension of Audit and Agreed-Upon Procedures Contracts with Lanaux & Felger, Certified Public Accountants, for fiscal years ending 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018, as per the attached summary of charges, and authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

Mrs. Davis addressed the Committee regarding approval for the 2013/2014 Consolidated Drive collection distributions (see attachment).

Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Benoit, offered the following motion:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

The Committee recommends that the Board approve the 2013/2014 Consolidated Drive collection of **\$8,640.90**, to be distributed equally on a percent (%) basis to the list of participating organizations, as per Board action of July 3, 2012, and further, authorize the distribution of the Consolidated Drive collections.

Mrs. Davis presented an update on the Sales Tax collections report (see attachment). She stated sales tax collections for the month of September 2013 are higher than September 2012.

There being no further business to come before the **Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee**, motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Benoit, the meeting adjourned at 5:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Duplantis, Chairman

Roosevelt Thomas, Vice-Chairman

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Motion of Ms. Benoit, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board approved the extension of the Audit and Agreed-Upon Procedures Contracts with Lanaux & Felger, Certified Public Accountants, for fiscal years ending 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018, as per the summary of charges

presented, and further, authorized the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board approved the 2013/2014 Consolidated Drive collection of **\$8,640.90**, to be distributed equally on a percent (%) basis to the list of participating organizations, as per Board action of July 3, 2012, and further, authorized the distribution of the Consolidated Drive collections.

The report of the Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee meeting was concluded and President DeHart reassumed the Chair and presided for the remainder of the proceedings.

The Executive Committee report was presented to the Board.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board received the following Executive Committee report in its entirety, with the exception of Recommendation No. 1 "that the Board approve a (2) two-year extension of the Superintendent's current contract with the same terms, conditions, and salary," which will be voted upon separately:

Dear Members of the Board:

The **Executive Committee** met at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 19, 2013, in the Board Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, President, Mr. Richard Jackson, Vice-President, and Mr. Hayes J. Badeaux. Others in attendance were Superintendent Philip Martin and Mrs. Rebecca Breaux.

The meeting began with an invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The **Executive Committee** examined and authorized payment of invoices for the current month (including supplemental payroll and travel expenses).

The **Executive Committee** addressed the extension of the Superintendent's contract.

Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Jackson, offered the following motion:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The Committee recommends that the Board approve a (2) two-year extension of the Superintendent's current contract with the same terms, conditions, and salary.

The **Executive Committee** addressed member concerns.

There being no further business to come before the **Executive Committee**, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Dale DeHart, President

Richard Jackson, Vice-President

Hayes J. Badeaux

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Mr. Bordelon moved, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, that the Board approve a (2) two-year extension of the Superintendent's current contract with the same terms, conditions, and salary.

At this time, Mr. Rene Williams, citizen, addressed the Board requesting clarification of the foregoing motion.

Mr. Berwick Duval, Board Attorney, addressed the Board regarding the foregoing motion.

Following a lengthy discussion, a roll call vote having been called for on the motion to approve a (2) two-year extension of the Superintendent's current contract with the same terms, conditions, and salary, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Thomas, Mr. Harding, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

NAYS: Ms. Benoit and Dr. Babin

ABSENT: None

President DeHart declared the foregoing motion carried.

The Executive Committee report was concluded.

The report of the Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc. was then presented to the Board.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board received the following report of the Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc. in its entirety:

Dear Members of the School Board:

The **Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc.** met at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday, November 19, 2013, in the Board Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, President, Mr. Richard Jackson, Secretary/Treasurer, and Mr. Hayes J. Badeaux. Others in attendance were Superintendent Philip Martin and Mrs. Rebecca Breaux.

The **Board of Directors** received the October 2013 financial statement (see attachment).

There being no further business to come before the **Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc.**, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Dale DeHart, President

Richard Jackson, Secretary/Treasurer

Hayes J. Badeaux

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The report of the Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc. was concluded.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board deviated from the regular order of the agenda to take up "Agenda Item 9. A. Individual Board Member – Mr. Roger Dale DeHart – Matter Pertaining to Notice of Public Meeting."

President DeHart addressed the Board regarding "Matter Pertaining to Notice of Public Meeting."

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the publication of the following Notice of Public Meeting:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Parish School Board of the Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana (the "School Board"), plans to consider a resolution ordering and calling an election to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds, and/or the levy of an ad valorem tax and/or the levy of a sales and use tax, to be held within Consolidated School District No. 1 of the Parish of Terrebonne, at the School Board meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. at the Parish School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, Houma, Louisiana.

The Board returned to the regular order of the agenda.

Motion of Dr. Babin, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board voted to go into executive session, at this time **(8:12 P.M.)**, relative to a parent appeal for readmission of Student #145910.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board reconvened in regular session with all members present **(8:24 P.M.)**.

Mr. Duplantis moved, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, that the Board allow Student #145910 to return to the base school in January 2014, subject to signing a contract.

Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, offered a substitute motion, that the Board allow Student #145910 to return to the base school tomorrow, subject to signing a contract.

A roll call vote having been called for on the substitute motion, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Harding, Mr. Jackson, Ms. Benoit, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

NAYS: Mr. Thomas and Dr. Babin

ABSENT: None

President DeHart declared the foregoing substitute motion carried.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting **(8:35 P.M.)**.

/s/ Philip Martin, Secretary

/s/ Roger Dale DeHart, President

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