

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

January 8, 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. L. P. Bordelon, III, President, presiding, and the following members present: Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Vice-President; Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Mr. Richard Jackson, Ms. Debi Benoit, Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin, Mr. Donald Duplantis, and Mr. Hayes J. Badeaux.

ABSENT: Mr. Gregory Harding

Ms. Benoit led the Board and audience in the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Elaine Jackson, retired school paraprofessional; Ernestine Perkins, retired custodian; Joyce Babin, retired school food service employee, and Robert McGuire, custodian at Dularge Elementary School, who recently passed away.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of School Board Meeting of December 4, 2012, as recorded.

At this time, President Bordelon thanked fellow School Board Members, Ramona Brunet, Wanda Lovern, Debbie Cope, Melissa Hagen, and Jan Blanchard for all the assistance and cooperation he received in the past two years, as School Board President.

President Bordelon announced that the first order of business was the election of the President and Vice-President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board for a one-year term beginning this date.

Mr. Duplantis placed in nomination for the presidency the name of Mr. Roger Dale DeHart.

Ms. Benoit placed in nomination for the presidency the name of Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin.

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the nominations for the office of President were closed.

A roll call vote having been taken for the election of the President, the vote thereon was as follows:

**For Mr. Roger Dale DeHart:** Mr. Jackson, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

**For Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin:** Mr. Thomas, Ms. Benoit, and Dr. Babin

**ABSENT:** Mr. Harding

Mr. Roger Dale DeHart was declared elected President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board for a one-year term beginning this date.

President DeHart then announced that nominations were open for the office of Vice-President of the Board for a one-year term beginning this date.

Dr. Babin placed in nomination for the vice-presidency the name of Mr. Roosevelt Thomas.

Mr. Bordelon placed in nomination for the vice-presidency the name of Mr. Richard Jackson.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the nominations for the office of Vice-President were closed.

A roll call vote having been taken for the election of the Vice-President, the vote thereon was as follows:

**For Mr. Roosevelt Thomas:** Mr. Thomas and Dr. Babin

**For Mr. Richard Jackson:** Mr. Jackson, Ms. Benoit, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

**ABSENT:** Mr. Gregory Harding

Mr. Richard Jackson was declared elected Vice-President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board for a one-year term beginning this date.

The Executive Committee report was presented to the Board.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board received the following report of the Executive Committee in its entirety:

Dear Members of the Board:

The **Executive Committee** met at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 18, 2012, in the Board Conference Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Vice-President, and Mr. Donald Duplantis. Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, President, was absent. Others in attendance were Superintendent Philip Martin, Mr. Harris Henry, 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 member concerns.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Roger Dale DeHart, Vice-President

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Donald Duplantis

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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. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. DeHart, 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, December 18, 2012, in the Board Conference Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Secretary/Treasurer, and Mr. Donald Duplantis. Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, President, was absent. Others in attendance were Superintendent Philip Martin, Mr. Harris Henry, and Mrs. Rebecca Breaux.

The **Board of Directors** received the November 2012 financial statement (attachment).

The **Board of Directors** approved the renewal of Property and General Liability Insurance from USI Southwest for the period of January 10, 2013, through January 10, 2014, at an estimated cost of \$8,176.70, with selection of exclusion/rejection of Terrorism Insurance Coverage along with Wind/Hail Coverage, and authorized the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto (see attached).

The **Board of Directors** voted to engage the firm of Lanaux & Felger to prepare the required tax return forms for Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013, at a fee of \$575.00 per year, and authorized the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Roger Dale DeHart, Secretary/Treasurer

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Donald Duplantis

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The report of the Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc. was concluded, and President DeHart reassumed the Chair and presided for the remainder of the proceedings.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board adopted the following Banking and Investment Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 1853**

**WHEREAS**, In a regular session of the Terrebonne Parish School Board held on January 8, 2013, the Board, by viva voce vote, elected Mr. Roger Dale DeHart to serve as President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board for the one-year term beginning this date, and

**WHEREAS**, In a regular session of the Terrebonne Parish School Board held on January 20, 2009, the Board, by viva voce vote, appointed Mr. Philip Martin to serve as Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer of the Terrebonne Parish School Board beginning January 20, 2009, and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Philip Martin, on January 20, 2009, upon furnishing bond as required by law, did assume the office and functions of Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer of the Terrebonne Parish School Board, and

**WHEREAS**, On January 8, 2013, Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, upon furnishing bond as required by law, did assume the office and functions of President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board, now

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That copies of this resolution, certified by the Secretary of the Terrebonne Parish School Board, be furnished to any and all interested parties, including fiscal depositories, directing and authorizing said institutions to grant full faith and credit to the acts and signatures of Mr. Philip Martin as Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer of the Terrebonne Parish School Board and Mr. Roger Dale DeHart as President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That all fiscal depositories are directed and authorized to honor negotiable instruments drawn upon the accounts of the Terrebonne Parish School Board bearing the facsimile signature of Mr. Philip Martin and Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III until such time as a signature plate bearing the facsimile signatures of both Mr. Roger Dale DeHart and Mr. Philip Martin is procured and placed into service, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Superintendent, Executive Director of Finance, Supervisor of Finance, or the duly authorized subordinate employee of each or any of the foregoing appointed officers be and is authorized to individually conduct and transact the business of purchasing, redeeming, or reinvesting certificates of deposit and other types of interest-bearing investments, as well as pledging matters and wire transfers relating thereto, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Superintendent, Executive Director of Finance, Supervisor of Finance, or the duly authorized subordinate employee of each or any of the foregoing appointed officers be and is authorized and directed to accept physical custody of such interest-bearing investments and monetary returns on same in the name and on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish School Board, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That said Superintendent, Executive Director of Finance, and Supervisor of Finance be and are authorized to release any safekeeping receipt and/or security pledged to the Terrebonne Parish School Board provided that each release will bear the signatures of at least two of the above authorized individuals.

Ms. Carol Davis, Assistant Superintendent, then announced, for informational purposes, the following personnel appointment and gave introduction:

Principal, H. L. Bourgeois High School – Matthew Hodson

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

Motion of Dr. Babin, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board approved a leave of absence without pay in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.10) for Stacey Duet, Teacher at West Park Elementary School, beginning January 9, 2013, through May 23, 2013 (personal).

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board approved a family and medical leave in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.4a) for April Adams, Teacher at Broadmoor Elementary School, beginning April 26, 2013, through May 23, 2013 (medical).

Motion of Dr. Babin, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board voted to go into executive session, at this time (7:25 P.M.), relative to a parent appeal for early readmission of Student #109071.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Dr. Babin, unanimously carried, the Board reconvened in regular session with all members present, with the exception of Mr. Thomas who was absent (7:35 P.M.).

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, with the exception of Dr. Babin and Ms. Benoit who objected, the Board allowed Student #109071 to return to Terrebonne High School immediately, subject to signing a contract.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting **(8:00 P.M.)**.

/s/ Philip Martin, Secretary

/s/ Roger Dale DeHart, President

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