

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

OCTOBER 18, 2016

The Terrebonne Parish School Board met today at 6:00 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. L. P. Bordelon, III, vice president, Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Mr. Gregory Harding, Mr. Richard Jackson, Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin, and Mr. Donald Duplantis.

ABSENT: Mrs. Debi Benoit and Ms. Vicki Bonvillain

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

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Kaye Thibodaux, retired school teacher, who recently passed away.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of School Board Meeting of October 4, 2016, as recorded.

Several announcements were made by President DeHart relative to upcoming meetings.

The following report of the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee meeting was presented to the Board with Mr. Bordelon, chairman, presiding:

Dear Members of the Board:

The BUILDINGS, FOOD SERVICE, AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE met at 5:00 P.M. on Monday, October 10, 2016, in the Board Room of the School Board Office, with the following members present: Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, chairman, Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, vice chairman, and Mr. Gregory Harding. Also in attendance were Mr. Donald Duplantis, Mr. Richard Jackson, Superintendent Philip Martin, and members of the staff.

Chairman Bordelon called the meeting to order. The meeting began with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Clark Capone, Engineer Intern, All South Consulting Engineers, addressed the Committee regarding the demolition update of Southdown Elementary School (attached).

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The Committee recommends that the Board ratify a change order to increase the contract time by thirty-seven (37) days due to weather, changing the contract completion date from September 2, 2016, to October 10, 2016, as provided for in the contract, for the demolition of Southdown Elementary School, and further, authorize the Board president to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

Mr. Capone addressed the Committee regarding the substantial completion of the demolition of Southdown Elementary School (attached).

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

The Committee recommends that the Board approve the substantial completion dated October 7, 2016, for the demolition of Southdown Elementary School, subject to the punch list, final inspection, and receipt of the lien-free certificate, and further, authorize the Board president to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

Mr. Capone addressed the Committee regarding the demolition update of the 2-story classroom building at the old Grand Caillou School (attached).

Mr. Merlin Lirette, AIA, CEFP, The Merlin Group, Ltd., addressed the Committee regarding a construction update of the new Southdown Elementary School.

Mr. Ayad M. Taofik, Project Manager, Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc., addressed the Committee regarding an update of the rear stairwell at Building J on the campus of Louis Miller Terrebonne Career and Technical High School.

Mr. Donald Chamberlain, Plant Operations Manager, addressed the Committee regarding maintenance updates.

There being no further business to come before the **Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee**, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. Bordelon, III, Chairman

Roger Dale DeHart, Vice Chairman

Gregory Harding

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Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board ratified a change order to increase the contract time by thirty-seven (37) days due to weather, changing the contract completion date from September 2, 2016, to October 10, 2016, as provided for in the contract, for the demolition of Southdown Elementary School, and further, authorized the Board president to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

Mr. Donald Chamberlain, Plant Operations Manager, addressed the Board regarding the foregoing motion.

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Dr. Babin, unanimously carried, the Board approved the substantial completion dated October 7, 2016, for the demolition of Southdown Elementary School, subject to the punch list, final inspection, and receipt of the lien-free certificate, and further, authorized the Board president to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

The report of the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee meeting was concluded, and President DeHart reassumed the Chair and presided for the remainder of the proceedings.

Motion of Dr. Babin, unanimously seconded, unanimously carried, the Board approved the following resolution declaring the month of November 2016 as Native American Indian Month in the Terrebonne Parish School System:

RESOLUTION

Whereas the Title VI Indian Education Program is a viable part of the Terrebonne Parish educational system;

Whereas emphasis on the cultural heritage of Indian students is one of the four goals of the Title VI Indian Education Grant;

Whereas the month of November has been observed as "National American Indian Heritage Month" since 1990;

Whereas instructional lessons on Indians and their heritage are traditionally taught to students during the month of November; and

Whereas the Title VI Indian Education staff and the Title VI Indian Education Parent Committee are requesting that the month of November 2016 be recognized as Native American Indian Month in the Terrebonne Parish School System; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board does hereby declare the month of November 2016 as Native American Indian Month in the Terrebonne Parish School System; and be it further

Resolved, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all Terrebonne Parish public schools and departments.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board approved a family and medical leave in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.4a) for Delaine Reed, Early Childhood Special Education Paraprofessional at Schriever Elementary School, beginning October 25, 2016, through February 8, 2017 (medical).

At this time, Superintendent Philip Martin presented the following personnel actions for the period of September 14, 2016, through October 12, 2016 [list of professional instructional and non-instructional/support personnel (appointments, resignations, and retirements – Information Only)]:

New Employees – Professional Instructional Personnel

Sheila Bergeron, 1st Grade Teacher, Degreed/Non-Certified, East Houma Elementary - 09/26/16

Kourtney Lirette, 2nd Grade Teacher, Degreed/Non-Certified, East Houma Elementary - 10/06/16

Chermay Castle, Foreign Language Teacher, Degreed/Non-Certified, Ellender Memorial High - 09/26/16

Caitlin Hebert, Science Teacher, Degreed/Non-Certified, Ellender Memorial High - 09/20/16

New Employees – Non-Instructional Personnel

Iona Lyons-Brown, Title I Paraprofessional, Legion Park Elementary - 09/15/16

Resignations – Professional Instructional Personnel

Tiffany Bruce, 4th Grade Teacher, Practitioner, Village East Middle - Resigned, 09/29/16

Megan Cenac, Vocal Music Teacher, Certified, Ellender Memorial High - Resigned, 10/10/16

Colby Harris, 1st Grade Teacher, Certified, Schriever Elementary - Resigned, 09/27/16

Resignations – Non-Instructional Personnel

Kenneth Jackson, Bus Driver, Transportation Department - Resigned, 09/22/16

Retirements – Professional Instructional Personnel

Melissa Painter, 2nd Grade Teacher, East Houma Elementary - Service Retirement, 21.00 Years, 09/23/16

Tanya Smith, Home Economics Teacher, Terrebonne High - Service Retirement, 21.13 Years, 10/12/16

Russell Triche, 8th Grade Teacher, Evergreen Junior High - Service Retirement, 20.21 Years, 09/27/16

Retirements – Non-Instructional Personnel

Debra Portier, Special Education Paraprofessional, Broadmoor Elementary - Service Retirement, 20.00 Years, 09/21/16

Motion of Dr. Babin, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board voted to go into executive session, at this time (6:20 P.M.), relative to "Matter bearing upon Pending Litigation between Ronald St. Pierre and Donna St. Pierre vs. Terrebonne Parish School Board, et al, Docket #174521, 32nd Judicial District Court, Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, Division D (Executive Session Requested)."

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board reconvened in regular session (6:25 P.M.) with all members present, with the exception of Mrs. Benoit and Ms. Bonvillain who were absent.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board approved the request to follow the Board attorney's recommendation as it relates to the foregoing matter - Ronald St. Pierre and Donna St. Pierre vs. Terrebonne Parish School Board, et al, Docket #174521, 32nd Judicial District Court, Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana, Division D.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting **(6:30 P.M.)**.

/s/ Philip Martin, Secretary

/s/ Roger Dale DeHart, President

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