

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LIVINGSTON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD TAKEN AT A SPECIAL SESSION HELD AT THE LIVINGSTON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, 13909 FLORIDA BLVD., LIVINGSTON, LOUISIANA ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010.

The Livingston Parish School Board met in a special session in the School Board Office Conference Room, 13909 Florida Blvd., Livingston, Louisiana on Tuesday, January 21, 2010, at seven o'clock p.m. pursuant to the following notice:

January 15, 2010

There will be a Special Meeting of the Livingston Parish School Board at the School Board Office, 13909 Florida Blvd., Livingston, Louisiana on **THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010**, at **SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.** for the following purpose and to take whatever action is necessary:

1. Performance by the cast of ANNIEjr. - Melanie Glascock, Talented Art Teacher
2. Approval of the minutes of the School Board Meeting held on January 5, 2010
3. Approval of Change Order No. 1, Central Office Bus Shop - Alvin Fairburn & Associates, "Licensed Design Professional"
4. Approval of Notice of Substantial Completion, Central Office Bus Shop - Alvin Fairburn & Associates, "Licensed Design Professional"
5. Authority to advertise for bids for Restoration of Auditorium, Walker Freshman High - Jim Ziler & Associates, "Licensed Design Professional"
6. Authority to advertise for bids for New Live Oak High School - Gasaway, Gasaway, & Bankston, "Licensed Design Professional"
7. Authority to advertise for bids for Library Shelving and Furniture for the following: Supervisor Fred Banks
 - A. Frost School
 - B. Juban Parc Junior High
 - C. Juban Parc Elementary
 - D. South Fork Elementary
8. Discussion and action on report from Athletic/Staff Committee meeting held on January 5, 2010
9. Discussion and action on report from Committee of the Board as a Whole meeting held on January 5, 2010
10. Discussion and action on the adoption of the following Livingston Parish Public Schools' policies as follows:
Assistant Superintendent John Watson
 - A. Policy ID - Curriculum
 - B. Policy JBCC - Student Assignment
 - C. Policy JR - Student Records
11. Discussion and action on report of Audit of General Purpose Financial Statements for the Livingston Parish School Board for the year ended June 30, 2009 - Ferdinand Genre, Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLC
12. Approval of Personnel Changes – Human Resource Director Rick Wentzel (See attached list)
13. Approval of paying of invoices
14. Personal appearance request of Mr. & Mrs. Pete Freer, Patrons of Southside Jr. High School

(The Livingston Parish School Board reserves the right to enter into an Executive Session, if needed, in accordance with LSA-R.S. 42:6.1 et seq. to review matters of litigation strategy and settlement negotiations.)

BY ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT,

Sincerely,

Bill Spear, Superintendent and Ex-Officio Secretary

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Keith Martin, and upon roll call the following members were present:

PRESENT: Mr. Clint Mitchell, Mr. David Tate, Dr. Milton Hughes, Mr. Louis Carlisle, Mr. Buddy Mincey, Jr., Mr. Jeff Cox, Mr. James Watson, Mr. Sid Kinchen, Mr. Keith Martin

ABSENT: None

1. Ms. Melanie Glascock, accompanied by Mr. Tim Richardson, introduced "the orphans" from the cast of ANNIEjr. The students performed the song, "It's a Hard- Knock Life" and presented the Board Members and Superintendent tickets to the upcoming performances.

2. The minutes of the Livingston Parish School Board meeting held on January 5, 2010 were approved upon motion offered by Mr. Carlisle, seconded by Dr. Hughes and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

3. Change Order No. 1, Central Office Bus Shop - Alvin Fairburn & Associates, "Licensed Design Professional" - Stafford Construction Company, Inc., Contractor was approved upon a motion by Mr. Mincey, seconded by Mr. Kinchen as follows: This Contract sum will be increased by this Change Order in the amount of \$37,161. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

4. A motion was offered by Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Mincey to approve the Notice of Substantial Completion, Central Office Bus Shop - Alvin Fairburn & Associates, "Licensed Design Professional" - Stafford Construction Company, Inc. Contractor and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

5. A motion was offered by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Cox to grant the Superintendent authority to advertise for bids for Restoration of Auditorium, Walker Freshman High - Jim Ziler & Associates, "Licensed Design Professional" and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

6. A motion was offered by Mr. Tate, seconded by Mr. Cox to grant the Superintendent authority to advertise for bids for New Live Oak High School - Gasaway, Gasaway, & Bankston, "Licensed Design Professional" and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

Patrons of the Live Oak district in attendance expressed their opinion concerning the lack of air conditioning for the for the new Live Oak High School gymnasium and requested the plans be amended to include air conditioning for the new gymnasium.

7. A motion was offered by Mr. Mincey, seconded by Mr. Mitchell to grant the Superintendent authority to advertise for bids for Library Shelving and Furniture for the following: Supervisor Fred Banks

- A. Frost School
- B. Juban Parc Junior High
- C. Juban Parc Elementary
- D. South Fork Elementary

The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

8. Mr. David Tate, Chairperson, presented the report of the Athletic/Staff Committee Meeting held on January 5, 2010, stating that the purpose of the meeting was for discussion and action on (A) Programmer/Systems Analyst with the following action being taken:

- A. The committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Full Board for approval the permanent appointment of Adam Blount to the position of Programmer/Systems Analyst at his current salary level with an effective date of December 4, 2009. A motion was offered by Mr. Tate to accept the Committee's recommendation and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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9. Mr. Keith Martin, Chairperson, presented the report of the Committee of the Board as a Whole Meeting held on January 5, 2010, stating that the purpose of the meeting was for discussion and action on (A) Race to the Top". A motion was offered by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Kinchen to accept the report and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

On Monday, January 11, 2010, after speaking with the superintendents of the nineteen (19) school districts with no failing schools, the superintendents in Region II and with the full consensus of the Board Members, Mr. Spear decided that the Livingston Parish Public Schools would not participate in the "Race to the Top". There were many unanswered questions and one of the biggest concerns was the sustainability factor of approximately \$4.4M that in four years the Board would have to take on and sustain. Mr. Martin agreed that Mr. Spear made the right decision.

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10. A motion was offered by Mr. Mincey, seconded by Mr. Carlisle to adopt the following Livingston Parish Public Schools' policies as presented by Assistant Superintendent John Watson
- A. Policy ID - Curriculum
 - B. Policy JBCC - Student Assignment
 - C. Policy JR - Student Records

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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11. Mr. Ferdinand Genre of Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLC., distributed and presented the report of the Audit of General Purpose Financial Statements for the Livingston Parish School Board for the years ended June 30, 2009.

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12. A motion was offered by Mr. Kinchen, seconded by Mr. Mitchell to approve the Personnel Changes as submitted by the Personnel Department with the exception of: (A copy of the Personnel List is hereby attached and becomes part of these minutes.)

LEAVES:

Teachers:

REMOVE: 1. CHRISTOPHER EDWARDS - ALBANY MIDDLE - ELEM TEACHER - LEAVE W/ACC SICK & ESL DAYS EFF 01/11/10-02/12/10

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

A motion was offered by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Cox to approve the following Personnel Change:

LEAVES:

Teachers:

1. CHRISTOPHER EDWARDS - ALBANY MIDDLE - ELEM TEACHER - LEAVE W/ACC SICK & ESL DAYS EFF 01/11/10-02/12/10

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Martin
NAYS: None
RECUSE: Mr. Kinchen
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

13. Payment of invoices was approved upon motion offered by Mr. Carlisle, seconded by Dr. Hughes and the vote thereon was as follows:

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Tate, Dr. Hughes, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kinchen
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

14. Personal appearance request of Mr.& Mrs. Pete Freer, Patrons of Southside Jr. High School was deleted from the agenda.
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There being no further business before the Board, the President declared that the meeting adjourn and the Board adjourned at 8:14 PM until Thursday, February 4, 2010.

Bill Spear

Bill Spear, Superintendent
and Ex-Officio Secretary

Keith Martin

Keith Martin
President