Regular Scheduled School Board Meeting (Tuesday, January 12, 2016)
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Members present
Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Members absent
Cedric Floyd

Meeting called to order at 4:48 PM

1. Meeting Opening

1.01 Roll Call

1.02 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
The Invocation was led by Reverend Chip Radke of God's House Church, the pledge was led by Ms. Doucet.

2. Presentations

2.01 Swearing in of 2016 President and Vice President

2.02 Presentation of the 2014-15 Financial Statement Audit- Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC (CPAs)
Mr. Phil Rebowe, of Carr, Riggs & Ingram, gave an overview of the 2014-15 audit.

2.03 iReady "Showcase" Tyler Mallet will recognize 9 students for "high overall pass rate" in each grade level.
Mr. Tyler Mallet gave a status report on the progress of the iReady program and recognized nine students for their achievements in the iReady program.

2.04 iReady - Mid-Year Data Review by Tyler Mallet

2.05 School Performance Scores
Ms. Karen Herndon, Executive Director of Achievement and Accountability, gave an update on the School Performance Scores, she stated that JPPSS has maintained it B rating.
3. Approval of Minutes

3.02 Approval of the minutes of November 9, 2015 and Special Session Meeting November 16, 2015

Motion by Mr. St. Pierre, second by Ms. Doucet to approve the minutes of November 9 and 16, 2016.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Cedric Floyd

4. Second Readings (none)

5. Consent Agenda

5.01 Consent Agenda

Motion by Ray R StPierre, second by Melinda L Doucet

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Cedric Floyd

There was no public or Board comment on Consent Agenda.

5.02 Architect/Engineer Approval, Moynan Consulting, LLC

Motion by Ray R StPierre, second by Melinda L Doucet

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.03 To approve the Title III immigrant youth grant

Motion by: Ray R StPierre, second Melinda L Doucet

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.04 Architect / Engineer Approval, Moates Savoie Hunley Architects

Motion by: Ray R StPierre, second Melinda L Doucet
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melnda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.05 LSU Contract for Medical Directors for Riverdale and West Jeff SBHC

Motion by: Ray R StPierre, second Melinda L Doucet
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melnda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.06 Full and Final Settlement of Workers Compensation claim (Employee number 0050819)

Motion by: Ray R StPierre, second Melinda L Doucet
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melnda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.07 FY 2016 General Fund Budget Amendment to allow for the proper coding of Board approved settlement agreements

Motion by: Ray R StPierre, second Melinda L Doucet
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melnda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.08 Virtual School Proposal by Grade Results, Inc.

The Superintendent recommends approval of the proposed contract with Grade Results, Inc.

Motion by Sandy DenapolisBosarge, second by Melinda L Doucet.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melnda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson
Nay: Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.09 Acceptance, Administration Annex, Project No. 2014-02

Motion by: Ray R StPierre, second Melinda L Doucet
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melnda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

5.10 Approve a Scope of Work, Budget and Appoint an Engineer, Grand Isle, Project No. 2016-01

Motion by: Ray R StPierre, second Melinda L Doucet
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

6. New Business

6.01 New Business

Move by Ray R StPierre, second by Melinda L Doucet for 72-hour waiver to amend the 2016 board meeting schedule.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

Move by Ray R StPierre, second by Melinda L Doucet to move the 2016 JPSB meetings to the first Tuesday of each month.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

Move by Ray R StPierre, second by Melinda L Doucet for 72-hour waiver to designate the third Thursday of each month as the date of the special session meeting if necessary.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Absent: Cedric Floyd

Move that, in the event that a special session is needed in addition to the regular meeting each month, that special session will be held on the third Thursday of the month, unless circumstances occur that one or more board members cannot attend on that date, or the need for the special session prohibits using that date. If the date cannot be used for those reasons, then the Board President can call the session on a date he chooses other than the third Thursday of the month.

Rationale: We have often had to have special sessions for various reasons. Rather than have to determine what dates are available for all nine board members, the members can simply keep this...
date open each month to make it easier to plan the meeting if it becomes necessary. Obviously, things happen that might prevent a board member from attending despite reasonable efforts to keep that date open, so the president can still use another date if one or more board members cannot attend on the third Thursday. Also, sometimes time constraints on an issue prevent using the third Thursday, so the president can use another date if that occurs and the third Thursday cannot be used.

There was no public comment. The following board member comments were heard: Mr. Dale spoke in favor of the motion.

6.02 First Readings

First Reading authored by Ms. Bourgeois

Whereas the state of Louisiana has established two new diploma pathways TOPS University diploma and TOPS TECH Jump Start Career diploma and phasing out three diploma pathways, LaCore 4, Basic and Career diplomas. I request that we fully fund and staff our Career/Tech department and before our June regular meeting, goals be established and presented for 2016 - 2017 school year.

Benchmark Goals should include # of students in dual enrollment, # of students who completed industry certifications (CNA, ProStart, Graphic Arts Design, Culinary Arts, Automotive & Microsoft, etc.), # of students who participated in internships and # of businesses involved in advisory committees and/or provided internships and # of students tested and receiving silver level on the WorkKeys assessment. In addition, a review of staffing formulas needs to be completed to determine the needs in career /tech and if adjustments need to be implemented.

And finally, the current Journey to Career class needs to be evaluated with the goal in mind to present to all students in middle school, the opportunities available to them in high school including industry certifications, career tech, and post-secondary opportunities. Counselors should be a part of the class.

First Reading authored by Ms. Bourgeois

That quarterly a report is provided to the board in executive session on pending litigation including filing date, type of case/claims, counsel for plaintiffs and board, potential exposure (low-high) including attorney’s fees and costs, attorney’s fees to date, and current status. This report could be presented as a simple spread sheet that would give the Board members a general sense of pending litigation over time.

First Reading authored by Ms. Bourgeois

Whereas school board members have an obligation to become informed on the proper duties and functions of a school board member, to become familiar with issues that may affect the school district, to acquire a basic understanding of school finance and budgeting, and to acquire sufficient knowledge to comply with federal, state and local laws and school district policies that relate to their functions as school board members. Travel to regional or national meetings of the Louisiana or National School Boards Association is presumed to fulfill this purpose. Travel to other out-of-state meetings for which the member intends to seek reimbursement from the school district must be pre-approved by the school board.
In addition, the school system should evaluate and implement an updated travel policy for Authorized Travel Expense Reimbursement by 4/1/16. The travel procedures stated in this manual apply to employees and authorized individuals eligible to be reimbursed from either tax funds or an Internal Fund account for travel-related expenses. Authorized individuals include Board members, Board administrative assistants, consultants, Title I parents, and chaperones to student travel.

First Reading authored by Mr. Bonura
Move that the school board dedicate the Loyola tract of land as the future site of Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies.

6.03 Other Business

Ms. Doucet announced the JPPSS Theater Department is auditioning for The Little Mermaid. The show runs last weekend in April and first weekend in May.

Ms. Doucet announced that she is looking for input throughout the school system on different issues and would like to see how many people would be willing to attend a forum to discuss ideas on how to improve the school system.

6.04 Notification of Transition of Medicaid Claim Preparation from Beacon Analytics to Public Consulting Group (PCG)

6.05 To consider and take action with respect to adopting a resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in School District No. 1 of the Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

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Motion by Ray R StPierre, second by Ricky Johnson.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge
Nay: Larry Dale
Abstain: Melinda L Doucet
Absent: Cecdric Floyd

There was discussion whether this item should have been placed under Consent Agenda. There was also discussion on the list of projects attached to the resolution.

7. Public Comment

7.01 Citizens who sign up prior to the start of the meeting will be called to speak.

8. Announcements/Good News

8.01 Announcements and good news

Mr. Dale wished his daughter Happy Birthday.
Ms. Cooper announced the dates of Magnet School Nights where our magnet schools are highlighted.

Mr. Johnson gave a shout out to Helen Cox for achieving a B rating and having the high school principal of the year.

9. Convene to Executive Session

10. APPENDIX: Administrative Reports

   10.01 Financial Health Summary and Budget to Actuals

11. End Meeting