



Regular Scheduled School Board Meeting (Tuesday, August 8, 2017)

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Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM

1. Meeting Opening

Information: 1.01 Roll Call

Members present

Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Information: 1.02 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was led by Germain Gilson, Chief of Staff; the Pledge was led by Melinda L Doucet, Board President.

2. Presentations

Presentation: 2.01 Tribute to Ray St. Pierre

There was a video tribute to honor Mr. St. Pierre, followed by board member recollections and comments to the St. Pierre family.

Presentation: 2.02 Campus of the Month

Charles Ochello, Director of Plant Services, announced the Emenes Building as Campus of the Month.

Information: 2.03 Business Partner Spotlight: Honey Baked Ham

Christie Gomez, Director of Community Engagement, announced the August Business Partner of the Month.

Presentation: 2.04 JPPSS Speech and Hearing Services Public School Program of the Year 2017

Staff members of the JPPSS Speech and Hearing Services were presented with a certificate acknowledging their recognition as Louisiana Public School Program of the Year.

Information: 2.05 Jefferson Parish Public Schools' Corrective Action Plan Exit Presentation by Dr. Joe Olmi

Dr. Joe Olmi, the external CAP monitor, announced that after twelve years, the JPPSS has fully complied with the Corrective Action Plan. He read portions of an email commending all involved in the process. Ms. Carpenter, Chief Student Support Officer, echoed Mr. Olmi's sentiments, thanking Patricia Adams, Terry Joia and Terry Trahan for their assistance.

Information: 2.06 Applications to be taken to fill the District III board position pending the elections

Mike Fanning, Board Attorney, read into the record, the Board's intent to fill the District III seat due to the death of Mr. St. Pierre. Brief discussion to adjust the date and time of the meeting to select the interim board member followed. It was agreed the meeting would be held Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. Ms. Doucet announced the applications would be accepted August 9, 10, & 11, from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 pm.

3. Approval of Minutes

Action, Minutes: 3.01 Approval of the minutes of July 11, 2017

Move that the Board approve the minutes of July 11, 2017.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Sandy DenapolisBosarge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

4. Second Readings

Action: 4.01 Second Reading authored by Mr. Floyd regarding a millage rate to provide a pay raise for teachers and other employees

Move that the Board put before the voters, a millage rate to be established at the August Board meeting, to provide a pay raise for teachers and other employees, to be comparable to salaries paid in other school districts, in the metro area, to be placed before the voters on November 18, 2017.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Marion Bonura

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ricky Johnson

Nay: Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Mr. Floyd stated board item 9.03 coincides with his second reading. Mr. Grant Schleuter drafted the Resolution required for the announcement of the Board's intent to call a special election to authorize the levy of a special tax. Mr. Floyd presented a power point outlining the details of the proposed pay raise and the impact on homeowner's property tax. It is proposed to raise the pay of teachers \$4,000; to raise the pay of non-teaching employees with an average salary above \$20,000 by \$3,000; and to raise the pay of the employees with an average salary below \$20,000 by 10%. The mills would be increased by 8.45 which would generate approximately \$27,902,661 (all employees would receive an increase in pay).

Mr. Schleuter read the resolution into the record.

Mr. Floyd moved to amend, second by Marion Bonura, the Second Reading to include the resolution of 9.03 with all information completed, for a millage rate of 8.45 estimated yield of \$27,902,661 for a period of ten years, beginning 2018 to 2028.

Public Comment:

Cathy Johnson, JFT, spoke in favor of the tax increase for pay raises.

Jessie Isidore spoke in favor of the teacher raises.

Kristoffer Bonilla spoke in favor of the teacher raises.

Jeffrey Barrois spoke in favor of the raises.

Jacquelyn Williams spoke in favor of the raises.

Kayci Reyer spoke in favor of the raises.

Board Comment:

Ms. Bourgeois stated she supports the raises and making the whole system better but feels the election should be held in the spring.

Mr. Bonura spoke in favor of the raises.

Mr. Morgan spoke in favor of the raises but also has concerns about the way it happened.

Ms. Doucet spoke in favor of the raise but feels a cohesive plan should be presented that includes facilities.

Ms. DenapolisBosarge spoke in favor of the raise but would like to present only one property tax to the voters, not two. She also stated she would prefer to put it for vote next year.

Mr. Johnson spoke in favor of the raise.

Action: 4.02 Second Reading authored by Mr. Floyd regarding creating a policy review committee

Move that the Board create a Policy Review Committee consisting of 12 members; half management and half employees, with the committee reporting back to the Board in six months.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Mark C Morgan, to amend the reading to include: Policy and Procedures review committee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Public Comment:

Cathy Johnson, JFT, spoke in support of the reading.

Board Comment:

Mr. Floyd stated he had not had time to meet with the Superintendent and Ms. Johnson to discuss a framework and vision for the committee. He further stated he hoped they could move forward with this in the next month.

Mr. Morgan stated he had concerns about Ms. Johnson's statement that there were many interpretations of the policy.

5. Consent Agenda

Discussion: 5.01 Public Comment on Consent Agenda

Cathy Johnson, JFT, spoke in favor of Item 5.25 - Cooperative Endeavor for the JFT Health & Welfare Fund.

Cathy Johnson, JFT, spoke in favor of Item 5.26 - JAPSA

Ben Moscona, principal, spoke in favor of Item 5.26 - JAPSA

Action (Consent): 5.02 Consent Agenda

Resolution: As recommended by the Superintendent

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.03 Approval to renew the Martin Marino Dance Challenge Service Contract and Related Expenses

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the contract renewal and related expenses.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.04 Kagan Professional Development contract renewal with Ruppel Academy

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the attached contract for Kagan Professional Development for Ruppel Academy.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.05 Renewal of the Louisiana Clinical Services Contract for School Based Health Centers State Grant

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the board approve the Louisiana Clinical Services Contract for a \$519,549 state grant for four JPPSS School Based Health Centers.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.06 Renewal of the LSU contract with JPPSS School Based Health Centers

Resolution: The superintendent recommends board approval of the LSU Contract with JPPSS School Based Health Centers for the medical directors of Riverdale and West Jeff SBHCs.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.07 Motion to appoint Daniel Martiny to handle the matter of TIMOTHY WAGUESPACK v. ROGER SCHENALL, JR., VICTORIA FONTENBERRY, ACE INSURANCE and JEFFERSON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, number 710-075, Twenty-Fourth Judicial District Court, Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana

Resolution: Motion to Appoint Outside Counsel, at the Attorney General's specified rates, due to conflict with Board Attorney

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.08 Renewal of the Edgenuity contract for Hospital- Homebound Program

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the contract with Edgenuity, Inc for the JPPSS Hospital- Homebound program

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.09 The School Leadership Center contract for Terrytown Elementary School

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the attached School Leadership Center Contract.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.10 Recommendation to approve the successful proposal for the Catastrophic Insurance Renewal Policy and an option to include a Blanket Athletic Plan effective August 1, 2017.

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Catastrophic Plan Renewal through Alisa Myatt with Zurich American for an annual premium of \$19,108.00 effective August 1, 2017 and with an option to include a Blanket Plan Coverage for Student Athletes through Veronica Dunn with Mutual of Omaha for an annual premium of \$59,145.00 effective August 1, 2017.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.11 Renewal of the Non-Public Contracts between Jefferson Parish Schools and the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the contract with the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.12 Catapult Learning, LLC Amendment to Professional Services Agreement

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the attached Catapult Amendment.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 5.13 21st Century Grant contract with Javier's Jazz Studio, Inc. - PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

Action (Consent): 5.14 21st Century Grant contract with Morris Mahana

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the attached contract with Morris Mahana.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.15 21st Century Grant contract with Elijah Hobley

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the attached contract with Elijah Hobley.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.16 Approval of an online payment system for parents/users relating to Student Activity Funds

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of MySchoolBucks. MySchoolBucks will charge users of the online payment portal a 3.75% program fee which covers the cost of implementation, ongoing District and Parent Support, Training our staff (at implementation and ongoing), and marketing materials. MySchoolBucks can be used from anywhere (in person, online, and iOS and Android App). The 3.75% does not cover the cost of equipment (Credit/Debit Card readers, iPads or computers, etc.). The use of this program is optional and the Schools will continue to accept cash, checks, or money orders at the School.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.17 Fabrication (FAB) Lab Coordinator position

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approval of a FAB Lab Coordinator in the Academics Department.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.18 Tabulation and Recommendation for FS Applesauce Cups (IFB 3175)

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the attached Tabulation and Recommendation as submitted

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.19 Renewal of the Coogan & Coogan Beverage/Marketing Consultant Agreement

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the renewal of Coogan & Coogan Beverage/Marketing Consultant Agreement

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.20 The Board's approval is required for the renewal of the contract with the City of Westwego Police Department for School Resources Officer (SRO) for two officers for Stella Worley Middle School.

Resolution: It is recommended that the Board approve the renewal contract, and authorize the Board President to sign the agreement on its behalf.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.21 Approval of the new Dual Language Immersion Magnet Program Administrative Handbook

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approval of the new Dual Language Immersion Magnet Program Administrative Handbook

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.22 Solution Tree, Inc. Contract 2017-18

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the attached Solution Tree, Inc. contract for the 2017-18 school year.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.23 Revision of the Policy Manual for Librarians

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approval of the revised Librarian's Policy Manual.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.24 Alter the Uniform Policy for Secondary Students

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve altering the uniform policy for secondary students.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.25 Renewal of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Jefferson Federation of Teachers and Jefferson Parish School Board and Jefferson Federation of Teachers Health and Welfare Fund

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the renewal of the CEA between JFT, JPSB and JFTHWF.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 5.26 Resolution to endorse the Jefferson Association of Public School Administrators, Inc. (JAPSA) and to approve the expenditure of school funds for JAPSA membership dues

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Resolution to endorse JAPSA.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Cedric Floyd.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

6. Consent Agenda Financial Details

Information: 6.01 Financial Details for Consent Agenda Items

7. Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

Action, Discussion: 7.01 Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

Action: 5.13 21st Century Grant contract with Javier's Jazz Studio, Inc. - PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the attached contract with Javier's Jazz Studio, Inc.

Motion by Larry Dale, second by Mark C Morgan

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

After brief discussion the objection was withdrawn and the item was approved.

8. Executive Session

Action: 8.01 Executive Session

9. New Business

9.01 First Readings

First Reading authored by Mr. Floyd

Move that the Board rename Marrero Academy for Advanced Studies to Ray St. Pierre Academy for Advanced Studies. The Board shall adhere to state law and Board policy for renaming of schools.

First Reading authored by Ms. Bourgeois

Move to revise Board Policy BBBA (Duties of Board Members) as follows:

No Board Member, by virtue of his/her office, shall have the authority to obligate the Board or to approve any expenditure of school district funds without the prior approval of a majority of the Board. Any expenditure of school district funds initiated or approved by an individual Board Member without the prior approval of a majority of the Board shall be the personal responsibility of the individual who initiated the expenditure. While the School Board may vote to approve the unauthorized expenditure, it shall have no obligation to do so, nor shall the Board have any obligation to pay for any services performed at the request of an individual Board Member acting without prior approval of a majority the Board.

First Reading authored by Mr. Bonura

Move that effective the first semester of 2017 that the supply amount for teachers be raised to \$50 per semester.

First Reading authored by Mr. Dale

Move to direct the insurance consultant to put out a request for proposals regarding the flood insurance that is due in October and ask that the second reading be placed on the August 16th meeting agenda to make the deadline.

Directive issued by Ms. Bourgeois

Direct the Superintendent to review and make recommendations as to whether the existing policies should be revised to address bid and RFP procedures with regards to contracts not required to be bid under state law.

Action: 9.02 Motion to issue proclamation calling for the election to fill the District III board position.

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Larry Dale

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Mike Fanning, Board Attorney, read into the record, the proclamation call for and election to fill the District III board position.

Action: 9.03 To consider and take action with respect to adopting a resolution and 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 levy of a special tax therein; making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

See Item 4.01, Second Reading authored by Mr. Floyd.

10. Public Comment

Information: 10.01 Citizens who sign up prior to the start of the meeting will be called to speak on school system related matters.

Amanda Phillips spoke about same birth event children.

Gretchen McAlpine spoke about same birth event children.

Nancy Smith spoke about same birth event children.

11. Announcements/Good News

Information: 11.01 Announcements and good news

Ms. Bourgeois announced the Jefferson Parish Council would be recognizing our top performing schools and principal of the year.

Mr. Joseph thanked the staff and all administrators for their effort to prepare for the start of school.

Mr. Bonura gave a "shout out" to Mickey Graham and Joe Potts for their efforts on the CEA with the JFT Health & Welfare fund.

Ms. Doucet thanked the JFT members for attending the retreat and explaining the details of the CEA.

Mr. Dale spoke about working together and not making personal attacks on others.

Ms. Gilson announced the school system recently hosted an excellent new teacher induction and commended Ms. Doucet on an excellent retreat.

12. APPENDIX: Administrative Reports

Information: 12.01 Financial Health Summaries and Budget to Actual

Report: 12.02 Check Register 06.27.17-07.24.17

13. End Meeting

Procedural: 13.01 Adjourn