Regular Scheduled School Board Meeting (Wednesday, August 3, 2016)
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Members present
Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Mark C Morgan, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Meeting called to order at 6:03 PM

1. Meeting Opening

Information: 1.01 Roll Call

Information: 1.02 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
The Invocation was led by Ricky Johnson, the Pledge was led by Melinda L Doucet

2. Presentations

Presentation: 2.01 John Ehret High School - State Hurdles Champion

3. Approval of Minutes

Action, Minutes: 3.01 Approval of the minutes of July 7, 2016
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, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

4. Second Readings

Action: 4.01 Second Reading authored by Mr. Dale regarding the Rillieux school site
Move to declare the former Rillieux School property as surplus property.

There was lengthy discussion among the board members which culminated Mr. Floyd offering a substitute motion to tear down the building and keep the property. The motion was seconded by Ricky Johnson. Lengthy discussion followed.

Final Resolution: Substitute motion failed
Yea: Cedric Floyd, Ricky Johnson, Marion Bonura
Nay: Mark C Morgan, Sandy DenapolisBosarge, Larry Dale, Melinda L Doucet, Melinda L Bourgeois, Ray R StPierre

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

Action: 4.02 Second Reading authored by Mr. Dale regarding the Loyola land and Kenner Discovery
Move that this Board enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with Discovery Health Sciences Foundation, also known as “Kenner Discovery Academy,” for use of the Jefferson Parish School Board’s Loyola tract of land to build a new school at no cost to the Jefferson Parish School Board, to include that, if acceptable property other than the Loyola tract is located for a new Haynes Academy School for Advanced Studies, then Kenner Discovery will be granted use of the entire Loyola tract; but, if an acceptable new site is not found for a new Haynes Academy, then Kenner Discovery Academy will be allowed to use that portion of the Loyola tract not designated for a new Haynes Academy. The details are to be negotiated between the Board and the Discovery Health Sciences Foundation for final approval by the Board.

The following public comment, in favor of the reading, was heard:
Jesse Watson, Lee Reid, President Michael Yenni, Patty Glaser, Joseph Keeney, Natalie Newton, Rana Ottallah, Tony Ligi, Councilman Zahn, Councilman Impastato, Councilman Spears

The following board comment was heard:
Mr. Dale, Ms. DenapolisBosarge and Mr. Morgan spoke in favor of the reading. Mr. Floyd challenged the Superintendent to make sure KDHSA reaches their goals--racial percentages and free/reduced lunch percentages. Mr. Morgan called for point of order and asked that board members limit their debate to no more than 10 minutes. Additional discussion followed.

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

Action: 4.03 Second Reading co-authored by Ms. Bourgeois and Mr. Floyd regarding the Patrick F. Taylor Lab
Move that the Digital Design and Fabrication lab at the Patrick F. Taylor Science and Technology Academy be named the "Phyllis M. Taylor Digital Design and Fabrication Laboratory."

Ms. Sandra Schowalter, President of Friends of Patrick Taylor Academy, explained what the fab lab is and how it was funded with non-school system funds.
There was no comment on this item.

Motion by Melinda L Bourgeois and by Cedric Floyd

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

Action: 4.04 Second Reading authored by Mr. St. Pierre regarding annual evaluation of the Superintendent
Mr. St. Pierre withdrew this item. It will be considered at a special session meeting on August 11, 2016 at 1:30 pm.

Action: 4.05 Second Reading authored by Mr. Floyd regarding $250M bond issue
Mr. Floyd deferred this item to the next board meeting.

Action: 4.06 Second Reading authored by Ms. Doucet regarding a master plan for the school system
Ms. Doucet deferred this item to the next board meeting.

5. Consent Agenda

Discussion: 5.01 Public Comment on Consent Agenda
There was no public comment on consent agenda.

Action (Consent): 5.02 Consent Agenda
Resolution: As recommended by the Superintendent

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

Action (Consent): 5.03 Jefferson Parish School System and Pediatric Services of America (PSA Healthcare)
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the board approve the agreement between Jefferson Parish Schools and Pediatric Services of America (PSA Healthcare).

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

Action (Consent): 5.04 National Council for Behavioral Health
Resolution: The superintendent recommends board approval of the agreement between the National Council for Behavioral Health and Jefferson Parish Public Schools.

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

Action (Consent): 5.05 Approval of Martin Marino Dance Challenge Service Contract and Related Expenses
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the contract and related expenses.

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

Action (Consent): 5.06 Ochsner Certified Trainer Contract Renewal
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the Ochsner Certified Trainer Contract.

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

Action (Consent): 5.07 To seek Board approval for Technical Services Agreement between JPPSS and New Era Information Technologies, LLC (NewERA)
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Technical Services Agreement for New Era Information Technologies, LLC (NewERA)

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

Action (Consent): 5.08 JPPSS Professional Services Agreement with Leading Educators
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the board approve the contract between JPPSS and Leading Educators

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Doucet.

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

Action (Consent): 5.09 E-Rate Amendments for Operating Agreements and Contracts for Charter Schools
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the E-Rate Clause Amendment for Jefferson Rise's Operating Agreement

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Doucet.

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

Action, Discussion: 5.10 Roosevelt Middle and Miller Wall Elementary District Support Plan - THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the district support plan.

Motion by Sandy DenapolisBosarge, second by Larry Dale, to amend agenda item 5.10 to delay the conversion of Roosevelt PK-8 from 2017-18 to the 2018-19 school year.

The following public comment was heard: Ms. Cathy Johnson, JFT, spoke in favor of the plan.

The following Board comment was heard: Ms. Doucet spoke against the plan. Mr. Floyd inquired about demographics, feeder schools and an impact study for Roosevelt.

Ms. DenapolisBosarge deferred her time to the Superintendent for explanation of the plan. Mr. Joseph shared that all efforts of his office are geared at making schools better. This effort is to make the school better with a lower PTR. Additional board discussion followed.

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

Action (Consent): 5.11 Alter Uniform Policy for Secondary Students
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of the altered uniform policy for secondary students.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Doucet.

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

Action: 5.12 Discussion of the status of the litigation entitled "Dodie Plaisance, et al., vs the Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th J.D.C., Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, Div.: "C", no. 712-681" and the amounts owed to individual plaintiffs. THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of this Cooperative Endeavor Agreement

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Doucet.

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

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of this Cooperative Endeavor Agreement. (Grand Isle and Kermer)

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Doucet.

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

6. New Business

Action: 6.03 Motion to approve Donna Joseph for the position of Chief Human Resources Officer based on the recommendation of the committee hired to review the applicants. THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Action: 6.04 Motion to approve Faith Joseph for the position of Principal at L. W. Higgins High School as recommended by the committee to review the applicants. THIS ITEM WAS MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Motion by Sandy DenapolisBosarge, second by Larry Dale to convene to Executive Session
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
7. Public Comment

Information: 7.01 Citizens who sign up prior to the start of the meeting will be called to speak.
There was no public comment.

8. Announcements/Good News

Information: 8.01 Announcements and good news
Four students from Riverdale High and four students from John Ehret received full IB diplomas.

Mr. Bonura announced a Cooperative Endeavor between Grace King, UNO and Delgado enrolled 285 students to a collegiate academy at Grace King.

9. Convene to Executive Session

Action, Discussion: 9.01 Executive Session

Motion by Mark C Morgan, second by Marion Bonura to convene to Executive Session

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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


Move to approve the tender offer, payment of the tender as indicated in executive session to the plaintiffs.

Motion by Ray R StPierre, second by Melinda L Doucet

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 6.03 Motion to approve Donna Joseph for the position of Chief Human Resources Officer based on the recommendation of the committee hired to review the applicants.

Motion by Melinda L Doucet, second by Ray R StPierre

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 6.04 Motion to approve Faith Joseph for the position of Principal at L. W. Higgins High School as recommended by the committee to review the applicants.

Motion by Melinda L Doucet, second by Ray R StPierre

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

10. APPENDIX: Administrative Reports

Information: 10.01 Financial Health Summary

Report: 10.02 Check Register 06.22.16-07.25.16

11. End Meeting

Procedural: 11.01 Adjourn