



Regular Scheduled School Board Meeting (Thursday, April 6, 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, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R St. Pierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy Denapolis-Bosarge

Members absent: Mark Morgan

Members tardy: Ray St. Pierre

Information: 1.02 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation and pledge was led by Germain Gilson, Chief of Staff.

2. Presentations

Presentation: 2.01 April Campuses of the Month

Ms. Gilson announced that Riverdale High School was the east bank campus of the month and Miller Wall Elementary School was the west bank campus of the month.

Presentation: 2.02 Bonnabel Basketball Team

Ms. Doucet, Board President, congratulated Bonnabel's basketball team for runner up in State Championship.

Presentation: 2.03 Presidential Scholars

Ms. Doucet announced the Presidential Scholars would be saved until next month's meeting.

Presentation: 2.04 Pupil Appraisal Presentation

Dr. Deidra Ann Lewis provided the Board with an overview of Pupil Appraisal in regards to its members, services provided and some of the concerns and challenges that impacted the department. Discussion followed among the Board, staff and Dr. Lewis.

3. Approval of Minutes

Action, Minutes: 3.01 Approval of the minutes of March 14, 2017

Move that the Board approve the minutes of March 14, 2017

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent: Mark Morgan

4. Second Readings

Action: 4.01 Second Reading authored by Mr. Floyd regarding Request for Proposal for three insurance policies expiring on May 1, 2017.

Move that the Board is seeking a Request for Proposal for the three insurance policies expiring on May 1, 2017. The policies are:

GL, Auto, E & O, Auto Physical Damage, Excess WC.

Moved to place on the agenda to a later point to discuss prior to Executive Session.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Ricky Johnson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Cedric Floyd, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Nay: Larry Dale

Absent: Mark Morgan

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 Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.03 Young Audiences contract for West Jefferson High School

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Young Audiences contract for West Jefferson High School.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.04 Motion to approve the settlement in the matter entitled Danielle Caffrey, individually and on behalf of her minor child, Imari Caffrey vs. the Jefferson Parish School Board, et al.," in the 24th Judicial District Court for the Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, number 737118, Div. "F".

Resolution: The Board Attorney recommends that the Jefferson Parish School Board settle the lawsuit entitled Danielle Caffrey, individually and on behalf of her minor child, Imari Caffrey vs. the Jefferson Parish School Board, et al.," in the 24th Judicial District Court for the Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, number 737118, Div. "F".

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.05 Full and Final Settlement of Workers' Compensation Case of MW (Employee #0314110)

Resolution: The workers' compensation department and the Board's attorney recommend settling MW's workers compensation claim for \$45,000.00.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.06 Bid Acceptance, Ehret High School, Project No. 201639

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid of New Orleans Glass Company, Inc. in the amount of \$469,000.00 and one hundred eighty (180) calendar days to replace exterior doors and windows at Ehret High School as recommended by the architect/engineer, Burgdahl & Graves AIA Architects and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.07 Bid Acceptance, Gretna No. 2 Academy for Advanced Studies, Project No. 2016-46

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid of Westbank Roofing Co., Inc. in the amount of \$109,900.00 and ninety (90) calendar days to replace roof on Main Building at Gretna No. 2 Academy for Advanced Studies as recommended by the architect/engineer, Garrity + Accardo Architects and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.08 Bid Acceptance, Airline Park Academy for Advance Studies, Project No. 2016-37

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid and Alternate Nos. 1 and 2 of Progressive Services, Inc. in the amount of \$225,164.00 and sixty (60) calendar days to reroof Building A & D at Airline Park Academy for Advanced Studies as recommended by the architect/engineer, NY Associates, Inc. and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.09 Bid Acceptance, Dolhonde Elementary School, Project No. 2016-37

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid and Alternate No. 1 of Progressive Services, Inc. in the amount of \$319,514.00 and two hundred (200) calendar days to reroof Cafeteria and Main Building at Dolhonde

Elementary School as recommended by the architect/engineer, ECM Consultants, Inc. and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.10 Bid Acceptance, T.H. Harris Middle School, Project No. 2016-49

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid and Alternate No. 1 of Tasch, LLC in the amount of \$170,000.00 and one hundred twenty (120) calendar days for exterior repairs, painting and waterproofing at T.H. Harris Middle School as recommended by the architect/engineer, Meyer Engineers, Ltd. and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.11 Bid Acceptance, Marrero Middle School, Project No. 2016-53

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid and Alternate Nos. 1 and 2 of Fleming Construction Company, LLC in the amount of \$141,450.00 and sixty (60) calendar days for parking lot renovations at Marrero Middle School as recommended by the architect/engineer, Perrin & Carter, Inc. and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.12 Bid Acceptance, Green Park Elementary School, Project No. 2016-44

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid and Alternate Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of Roof Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$645,764.00 and one hundred eighty (180) calendar days for roof replacement on administration, cafeteria, Building 100 and 200 and replace rooftop mechanical equipment above cafeteria at Green Park Elementary School as recommended by the architect/engineer, Scairono Martinez Architects and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action, Discussion: 5.13 Bid Acceptance, Helen Cox High School, Project No. 2015-70

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the low base bid and Alternate Nos. 1 and 2 of J.E. Franke Constructors, LLC in the amount of \$258,811.00 and one hundred (100) calendar days to repair or replace window wall system, doors and door frames at Helen Cox High School as recommended by the architect/engineer, Garrity + Accardo Architects and the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.14 Bid Rejection, Higgins High School, Project No. 2016-50

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board reject the low base bid of J.E. Franke Constructors, LLC in the amount of \$307,809.00 and sixty (60) calendar days to renovate locker rooms and remove all exterior window louvers at Higgins High School and to redesign and rebid this project as recommended by the Facilities Department.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.15 Jefferson Parish Public School System Pupil Progression Plan Addendum Summer Program

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the approval of the Pupil Progression Plan Addendum.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action (Consent): 5.16 RFP Acceptance, Technology Resource Associates (RFP 3160) and related contract (Accounting Software for Account Clerks)

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends approval of this new accounting software for the account clerks at each school. This system is entirely online and allows for integration with online payment providers. This fee also includes remote server hosting fee and backup services.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action: 5.17 2017-2018 School Library Renewal of Destiny (Follett) - WITHDRAWN

Action (Consent): 5.18 Tabulation and Recommendations for CN Diverted Commodity Processing (IFB 3152)

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

Action: 5.19 2017-2018 School Library Renewal of Gale Databases - WITHDRAWN

Action (Consent): 5.20 Charter Independent Evaluator Contract

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Independent Evaluator contract to expedite the Charter Application Process.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Melinda L Bourgeois.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

ea: Cedric Floyd, Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Ricky Johnson, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action: 5.21 Purchase of Cursive Handwriting Resources - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.22 Purchase of Amplify/CKLA Student Materials - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.23 Tabulation and Recommendation for Math & Reading Instructional Program (RFP 3156) - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.24 Tabulation and Recommendation for Middle & High Courseware Program (RFP 3157) - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.25 Tabulation and Recommendation for English Language Learner Program (RFP 3158) - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.26 Tabulation and Recommendation for Advanced Placement (AP) Program Management System (RFP 3159) - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.27 Lexia Renewal - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.28 2017-2018 World Book Online Renewal - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.29 2017-2018 Louisiana Public Broadcasting (LPB) Discovery Education Streaming Renewal - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.30 The Superintendent recommends that the Chief Academic Officer, Chief Student Support Officer and Chief Achievement and Accountability Officer's salary be increased to \$120,000 annually to be normalized within the approved salary schedule. - WITHDRAWN

Action: 5.31 Board approval is requested in order to reject the bid received from Proclaiming Christ Church in connection with the advertisement for sale at auction of the surplus property located at 701 South Upland Avenue, River Ridge, La., known as the Benjamin Banneker School, to the highest bidder. - PULLED, DISCUSSED AS COMMITTEE SECOND READING

Resolution: It is recommended that the Board reject this bid as is it required to do and not sell the property to this bidder.

Action: 5.32 It is requested that the Board consider for approval the acceptance of bid and sale, in accordance with the bid received from the Phillips Family, LLC in connection with the advertisement for sale at auction, of the surplus property located at 7121 River Road, Waggaman, La. known as the Norbert Rillieux School.- PULLED, DISCUSSED AS COMMITTEE SECOND READING

Resolution: It is recommended that the Board accept the offer of \$502,000.00 and sell the property to the Phillips Family, LLC. If accepted and this sale is approved, it is recommended that the Board authorize the Board President, as per statute, to make the sale and sign the sale deed and any other necessary documents in connection therewith.

Action: 5.33 The Board's approval is requested in order to accept the bid received from Ms. Daisha Bovie in connection with the advertisement for sale at auction, and thereby sell the surplus property located at 637 Dandelion Drive, Waggaman, La., to the highest bidder.- PULLED, DISCUSSED AS COMMITTEE SECOND READING

Resolution: It is recommended that the Board accept the bid of Daisha Bovie and authorize the sale of the property to her. If approved, it is requested that the Board authorize the Board President, as per statute, to make the sale and sign the sale deed and any other necessary documents in connection therewith.

Action: 5.34 Agreement with Solution Tree for Common Collaborative Assessment Workshops - WITHDRAWN

6. Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

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7. Committee Second Readings

Action, Discussion: 7.01 Finance Committee Second Reading regarding Amending the Dandridge Settlement Agreement to change from Montessori to STEM at Collins and Washington Schools

Move that the School Board amend the Dandridge Settlement Agreement to change from Montessori to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) at Collins and Washington schools.

Mr. Floyd stated the principals are in support of switching to STEM.

Public Comment: Ms. Zeno spoke in support of switching from Montessori to STEM.

Public Comment: Myrtis Tate spoke of the STEM program at Patrick Taylor. One of our former Jefferson Parish students, Mr. Dwight Jones, Executive Director of Social Studies and Science in the Devual County school district, has sent us some information about the STEM program and how the school district has improved because of it.

The meeting paused for signing of the amended agreement.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Sandy DenapolisBosarge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent: Mark Morgan

Action, Discussion: 7.02 Facilities Committee Second Reading regarding the sale of Surplus Property - Cherbonnier Cottage

Move that the Board accept the highest bid of \$56,000 for the Cherbonnier Cottage.

Motion by Larry Dale, second by Sandy DenapolisBosarge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent: Mark Morgan

No public discussion. Brief Board discussion

Action, Discussion: 7.03 Facilities Committee Second Reading regarding the sale of Surplus Property - Banneker Site

Move that the Board rebid the property and reject the only bid submitted for the Banneker site as it is below 85% of the appraised value.

Public Comment: Gail Scott-Gillespie asked Board to consider leasing the Banneker property for 99 years at the cost of \$1 per year. If that is possible can additions be made to the property.

Motion by Larry Dale, second by Sandy DenapolisBosarge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent: Mark Morgan

No discussion

Action, Discussion: 7.04 Facilities Committee Second Reading regarding the Sale of Surplus Property - Rillieux Site

Move that the Board accept the high bid on the Rillieux property.

Public Comment: Jackie Jones asked how will the sale of this property affect the community? Will it bring any demise to the community and why are we selling the property? In regards to economic development of communities it would be wise to think as more families move into the community more schools will be needed. Is it in the best interest of the district and the community to sale this property? If Rillieux will remain a school in this community will the district bring another school into the community to replace Rillieux?

Public Comment: Canny Cazaux supports sale of Rillieux property. He stated the Phillips family owned adjacent property to Rillieux and would like to bid on the Rillieux property.

Public Comment: Cathy Johnson spoke in favor of keeping the property.

Public Comment: Margie Zeno spoke in support of keeping Rillieux property and banking the land.

Motion by Larry Dale, second by Sandy DenapolisBosarge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent: Mark Morgan

Deferred until the next meeting on May 9, 2017.

Mr. Floyd also wanted to add to the record that when it comes down to the North Kenner property it was purchased in 1982 for \$1,435,224 and we land banked it for over 30 years. Rillieux has been out of service for five years. Then in 2009 we put in \$2.3M to fill the land. Let treat Rillieux like we did North Kenner because we have more potential students at the Rillieux site than what we had at North Kenner and this is what you did to it. I want to put this on record so we can be consistent in all ethnic communities.

Motion by Larry Dale, second by Cedric Floyd to defer

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Nay: Cedric Floyd, Ricky Johnson

Absent: Mark Morgan

8. Executive Session

Action: 8.01 Executive Session

Action, Discussion: 8.02 Executive Session is requested for discussions and consideration of a formal settlement proposal recently received from Timbrian, LLC in connection with ongoing litigation in case No. 745335 entitled "Jefferson Parish School Board vs. Timbrian LLC."

Move to go into Executive Session

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Larry Dale, Marion Bonura, Melinda L Bourgeois, Melinda L Doucet, Ray R StPierre, Sandy DenapolisBosarge

Absent: Mark Morgan

9. New Business

9.01 First Readings

First Reading Authored by Mr. Floyd

Move that the Superintendent shall look into turning or making Roosevelt Middle School an Immersion school on the East Bank for the upcoming year 2017-2018.

First Reading Authored by Mr. Bonura

Moved that Policy GAK Personnel Records be amended to include an employee has the right to purge certain records in their personnel file.

Action: 9.02 Other Business - Resolution to Declare May 1-5, 2017 as Voter Registration Week in Jefferson Parish High Schools

Mr. Bonura questioned if this was going on during testing.

Public Comment: Jackie Jones stated she wanted some clarity on whether this was the same thing the Jeremiah Group did last year so she can bring that information back to the rest of her organization as they build their volunteer network.

Motion by Cedric Floyd, second by Ricky Johnson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent: Mark Morgan

Information: 9.03 Announcement of meeting on May 9, 2017 where the School Board plans to consider a resolution adopting ad valorem tax millages for 2017.

10. Public Comment

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

Benita Benta Rice spoke in support of Young Audiences Charter School adding a high school expansion.

Michael Madden had questions on the RFP as to why the board seeking an RFP for the casualty insurance when one was not done for the property or flood insurance. Second, how was the property approved when the board did not vote on awarding the contract for the property? How is the Administration spending a significant amount of money without the board approval for the property insurance? So the property insurance did not go out to RFP which we asked if it was going out to RFP and we were told nothing was going out to RFP this year.

Response to Michael Madden: Jim Hufft, Director of Risk & Emergency Management, stated the status for renewal purposes of the RFP would be every 3-4 years. We don't necessary have to renew every contract on a yearly basis. Ms. Bourgeois asked Ms. Carmel if there was an advantage to the system we are currently using on the 3 year rotation? Ms. Carmel stated it is the Board's and the system's advantage not to bid the insurance renewals every year simply because insurance companies, if they know you're going out to bid every year, they are not going to give you their best price up front because next year they could loose it and it could be moved somewhere else. In order to ge the best price they want to know they will keep it for 2-4 years. It's my experience with school systems to usually bid within a 3-5 year program and it seems to give the best results to the school systems. Mr. Dale ask Ms. Carmel what the renewal process was for property and flood insurance policies. Ms. Carmel stated on the property and the casualty policies had an RFP done in 2015 was for 3 years. In 2015 we did the property bidding in April 1, 2015 which was the effective date of the property but then in October of 2015 the Board's current agent was able to have the property carriers to reduce their rate in the middle of the 12 month policy but they wanted to cancel and rewrite the policy and in order for them to do that and for us to keep the April 1, 2015 date they asked for an 18 month policy which we agreed to and the Board agreed to it also. We came in front the Board which was voted on in the October 2015 meeting. That policy expired April 1, 2017 which was the end of that first policy term. The policy was rewritten, sent to Mr. Hufft who gave confirmation on the policy with the reduction in rate and we went through with the renewal. Mr. Dale asked if it came to the Board for approval. Ms. Carmel stated to her knowledge it did not. Mr. Dale stated in regards to Board policy the rewritten insurance policy required Board approval.

Rosamund Looney - Not present for comment

Cathy Johnson spoke on pay raises for employees in regard to Pupil Appraisal staff shortage.

Michael Madden - Not present for comment

Matthew Gibson spoke about testing and lack of computers.

11. Announcements/Good News

11.01 Announcements and good news

Melinda Bourgeois requested the Superintendent evaluate biometric payroll systems on automating payroll systems and if we have to do an RFP to make that happen.

Melinda Bourgeois stated two students at Haynes Academy received perfect ACT scores of 36. One was a sophmore. She also stated, the LDOE has just announced Jump Start Summer to be on the job training which was funded by a grant through the state department.

Mr. Bonura congratulated the Special Education department at Grace King for their part in the television program.

Mr. Floyd congratulated Rev. Johnson for making three scores today, Happy Birthday!

Ms. Doucet gave her condolences to the Superintendent, Mr. Joseph, for attending the meeting during a death in the family.

Mr. Johnson also gave his condolences to the Superintendent at this time.

12. APPENDIX: Administrative Reports

Information: 12.01 Financial Health Summaries and Budget to Actual

Report: 12.02 Check Register 02.22.17 - 03.29.17

13. End Meeting

Procedural: 13.01 Adjourn