

**JPSB MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD**  
**JEFFERSON PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**  
**June 3, 2015**  
**Administration Building**

**Roll Call**

The Board meeting was called to order by Board President, Cedric Floyd with the following Board members answering Roll Call –Mr. Morgan, Mr. Johnson, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

The invocation by Rev. Ricky Johnson, School Board Member, District II and pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. St. Pierre.

Mr. Floyd welcomed our newest employee, Sarah Caruso, Chief Financial Officer.

**Presentations**

Mr. Floyd, Board President gave a presentation of the Board's visit to Baton Rouge for Legislative Day

Mr. Mel Dussell gave a presentation on the Dawn Busters Rewards for Reading Program and their work in Jefferson Parish Public Schools.

**Approval of Minutes**

Approved the minutes of the Jefferson Parish Special School Board Meeting of April 22, 2015, and the Regular Session on May 6, 2015

Moved by Mr. Floyd, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

Voting was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Johnson, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Morgan asked that SR-17 (A resolution for the adoption of the JPSB millage rates for the tax rolls at December 2015) be pulled for a voice vote.

### **Consent Agenda**

#### **SR-1 Remainder of School Year Expulsions/Alternative Site**

Approved upholding the Remainder of the School Year/Expulsions/Alternative Site Placements:

To uphold the Remainder of the School Year Expulsion/Alternative Site Placements: 113, 116, 205, 207, 301, 303,304,305,409,410,411,412,413,414,515,516,517,518,519,520,521,522, 523,524,609,610,611,612,706,804,905,906,907,1006,1007,1008,1009,1010,1104,1202,1203, 1204,1509,1510,1511,1701,1702,1703,1704,1705,1706,1707,1708,1709,1710,1910,2001,2002, 2106,2107,2108,2205,2206,2207,2208,2209,2300,2400,2401,2402,2503,2504,2505,2506,2507, 2508,2509,2610,2611,2701,2702,2800,2801,2900,3000,3001,3601,3701,

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

#### **SR-2 Allocation of Hospital/Homebound Teachers**

Approved the allocation of 6 Hospital/Homebound Teachers, as a result of the proposed budget reductions for the 2011-2012 school year, the board voted to eliminate full-time Hospital Homebound (H/H) positions (16 teachers) through attrition and move to part-time teachers contracted at an hourly rate to service homebound students. There are currently four (4) full-time teachers in the program. Although the district has used part-time teachers for the last two years, this change has proven to be both ineffective and inefficient.

The Hospital Homebound Program allows for students that cannot attend school for physical, mental, or emotional reasons to continue to receive instructional services. Both general and special education students are eligible for H/H Services. During the 13-14 school year, 151 students were serviced through the H/H Program. During the 14-15 school year, 165 students were serviced. The illnesses range from kidney transplants, brain surgery, cancer patients receiving chemotherapy, heart transplants, sickle cell anemia, cystic fibrosis, auto-immune deficiency, to students diagnosed with schizophrenia, anorexia, and profound mental disabilities. Additionally, expecting mothers continue to receive instruction if there are pre-term complications and during post-partum recuperation. The number of students serviced, the types of illnesses that require attention during the day (hospitals, facilities, etc.)The consistency needed for very fragile students, and the inability of part-time teachers to report to the home base school of the students for work/tests are a few of the reasons why the reliance of part-time employees has been ineffective.

During the 14-15 school year, 19 of the 165 students were students with disabilities, and 16 of the 165 were administratively placed (meaning there were confidential reasons why there was an emergency placement).

With the retirement of 12 of the 16 teachers, the Health and Social Services Unit as relied on part-time teachers to provide services to these students. The Superintendent is recommending that the board increase the number of H/H full-time teachers to 10 (ten). The use of part-time teachers will be greatly reduced or eliminated.

Teacher salary plus benefits will be funded by IDEA (general funds) along with general funds.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-3 MOU with Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) to provide the school district with Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion information.**

Approved an MOU with Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) to provide the school district with Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion information. Completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA) is the first step in applying for most federal, state and college-provided financial aid for students. By not completing the FAFSA form, Louisiana students forego roughly \$54 million a year in federal grants, state opportunities, and other funding for post-secondary education. The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) is a state agency and the administrative arm of the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission and the Louisiana Tuition Trust Authority. LOSFA now has an agreement with the U.S. Department of Education that allows LOSFA to communicate FAFSA completion rates with each Local Educational Agency (LEAs) in the state. By entering into a MOU with the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA), our school system will be provided with information regarding students that have not completed their FAFSA form for post-secondary financial aid. Counselors can use this information to contact families and students to encourage them to complete their FAFSA form in order to obtain financial opportunities for post-secondary education.

Moved by Ms. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-4 Motion to approve cooperative endeavor agreement with the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office to allow the JPSO the use of the warehouse facility at 4600 River Road, Marrero, La. in the event of a hurricane or other major emergency. This is for one year from June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016.**

Approved motion to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office to allow the JPSO the use of the warehouse facility at 4600 River Road, Marrero, La. in the event of a hurricane or other major emergency. This is for one year from June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016.

The JPSO requests the use of our warehouse facility in the event of a hurricane. They have been doing so since Hurricane Katrina. This is just a renewal of the same CEA that we have been doing since Hurricane Katrina.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-5 CR-Approve a Budget, Scope of Work and Appoint an Architect, Bissonet Plaza Elementary School, Project No. 2015-57**

Approved CR- Budget, Scope of Work and Appoint an Architect, Bissonet Plaza Elementary School, Project No. 2015-57. The existing main walkway canopy which connects the administration and cafeteria building to the classroom building is in need of emergency structural repairs and a complete renovation. In addition, there are several other safety and code issues which need attention such as ADA upgrades to comply with ADA codes, resurface asphalt parking and interior and exterior repairs and waterproofing to protect the facility from further damage.

VergesRome Architects was appointed for the structural and site safety repairs at Bissonet Plaza Elementary School with a total estimated budget of \$1,300,000.00.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-6 The Parish of Jefferson has requested an Intergovernmental Agreement between it and all local taxing authorities. This agreement involves Adjudicated Properties located within Jefferson Parish. The agreement gives the Parish the authority to negotiate the sale of property that has been seized because of the failure to pay taxes.**

Approved the agreement and authorize any resolution necessary to carry out the agreement, and further authorize the Board President to enter into the agreement, signing any

The Board previously entered essentially the same agreement with the Parish and all other taxing authorities. This was in 2000 and that agreement has expired. The Parish desires to enter into a new agreement under the same terms and conditions for a period of 10 years. A copy on the newly proposed agreement is attached hereto.

In tax sale situations, most of the time this property is sold for less than the taxes that are due and owing on the property. The Parish is requesting that it be granted sole authority to negotiate sales for a more favorable price with potential purchasers and place the property back into commerce. To cover their expenses, the Parish, as per this agreement, would receive 25% of the sale price. The balance received would then be split among all of the taxing authorities on a pro-rata basis. All of the participating taxing authorities are named in the proposed agreement, a copy of which is attached. In addition, all signed the previous agreement as well.

There is no legal impediment to such an agreement. The Board attorney has reviewed the document, approves of its terms and requests Board approval as well. This approval may include a resolution tracking the language of that passed by the Parish, as well as the granting of authority to the Board President to enter into the agreement.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-7 Approval of settlement in the case of Sharon Rollins and James Rollins v. Paula Isaac, Jefferson Parish School Board, Princeton Excess & Surplus Lines Insurance Company and Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, in the 24th Judicial District Court, case No. 699-018.**

Approved the settlement in the case of Sharon Rollins and James Rollins v. Paula Isaac, Jefferson Parish School Board, Princeton Excess & Surplus Lines Insurance Company and Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, in the 24th Judicial District Court, case No. 699-018. This proposed settlement is the result of a formal mediation conducted prior to a scheduled four day jury trial, which was set to begin on May 18, 2015. Besides plaintiffs and their counsel, the Board attorney, a representative of the School Board, a representative of CCMSI the Board's third party administrator, and a representative of Princeton Excess & Surplus Lines Insurance Company participated in the mediation. This case arises out of a school bus/automobile accident that occurred at the intersection of U.S. Highway 90 and Lapalco Boulevard. The complete details of the settlement are not for dissemination to the public.

A separate Board Report setting forth the details of the settlement is attached hereto. Because the proposed settlement exceeds the sum of \$20,000.00 final Board authority and approval is required. Any discussion of the settlement should take place in Executive Session. The Clerk is requested to schedule an Executive Session should it become necessary to discuss this settlement in detail. The Board attorney, with the approval of CCMSI, the Board's in house coordinator, and Princeton Excess and Surplus Lines Insurance Company, recommends that the Board approve the settlement.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-8 Extension of agreement/contract between David M. Shapiro Disaster Planning and Recovery Consultants and the Jefferson Parish Public School Board.**

Approved the extension of agreement/contract between David M. Shapiro Disaster Planning and Recovery Consultants and the Jefferson Parish Public School Board. The contract between the Jefferson Parish Public School Board (JPPSS) and David M. Shapiro Disaster Planning and Recovery Consultants is a professional service agreement. The original contract was awarded after the completion of a RFP process and JPPSS Board approval on August 9, 2011, expired on December 31, 2012 and extended until June 30, 2015. The services include maximizing funding from FEMA, insurance and third-party funding sources, assisting FEMA in compliance with Stafford Act closeout requirement, providing documentation to the State of Louisiana that all incurred costs and work has been completed in accordance with FEMA standards and policies.

Additional time is needed to complete the ongoing insurance reconciliations, version requests, and project closeouts. Compensation is based on a calculation that will not exceed 3% of eligible damages prior to insurance reimbursement incurred to JPPSS facilities resulting from Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Gustav, Ike, Isaac and Tropical Storm Lee.

It is recommended that an extension of contract be approved to finalize the reconciliation of all grants and prepare JPPSS Stafford Act Public Assistance Grants documentation for the Federal and State Office of Inspector General visits.

Current public assistance grants total 463 with 359 for (Katrina), 4 (Rita), 9 (Gustav), 31 (Ike), 58 (Isaac), and 2 (TS Lee). These additional storms were added to the existing contract for Stafford Act review and close out. Of the \$126,833,102.25 in obligated grants related to the 6 named storms, JPPSS has recovered over \$105 million, leaving approximately \$21 million potentially available to be collected by the close-out process.

All monies paid to David M. Shapiro Disaster Planning and Recovery Consultants will be paid by FEMA, insurance funds, and JPPSS's general funds. The percentage of FEMA reimbursement for Katrina and Rita is 100%, Gustav and Ike is 90%/10%, Tropical Storm Lee and Isaac is 75%/25%.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.



**SR-9 Motion to approve the payment of the judgment in the matter entitled "Lauren Armand, individually and on behalf of her minor child, Dylan Armand v. the Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th Judicial District Court, Division "K", docket no. 719-621."**

Approved the payment of the judgment in the matter entitled "Lauren Armand, individually and on behalf of her minor child, Dylan Armand v. the Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th Judicial District Court, Division "K", docket no. 719-621." A jury trial was held in the lawsuit entitled "Lauren Armand, individually and on behalf of her minor child, Dylan Armand v. the Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th Judicial District Court, Division "K", docket no. 719-621." The jury found in favor of the plaintiff. The Board Attorney recommends that the judgment of \$185,000.00 be paid.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-10 Renewal of Medical Contracts**

Approved renewal of medical contract with for physical and eye examinations required for bus drivers, bus attendants, and certain other driving personnel.

Dr. Jeffrey Wilhite, O.D.  
West Jefferson Industrial Medicine Center  
Pelican State Outpatient Center  
Industrial Medicine Specialists

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) current regulations require that all medical examiners (ME) must be licensed, certified and/or registered, in accordance with applicable State laws and regulations, to perform physical examinations. This includes, but is not limited to, doctors of medicine, doctors of osteopathy, physician assistants, advanced practice nurses, and doctors of chiropractic.

MEs must be knowledgeable of the specific physical and mental demands associated with operating a CMV and the requirements of 391.43(c), including the medical advisory criteria prepared by the FMCSA as guidelines to aid the medical examiner in making the individual determination whether a driver should be issued a medical certificate; and be proficient in following the medical protocols necessary to adequately perform the medical examination. Beginning May 21, 2014, all MEs who wish to conduct medical examinations for interstate CMV drivers must complete training about FMCSA's physical qualifications, regulations and advisory criteria, and pass a certification test to be listed on the National Registry. All medical certificates issued on or after this date must be issued by examiners listed on the National Registry.

The budget for medical services will be \$50,000.00  
Budget Code: 52710335  
Fund: 0010000243

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-11 Tabulations and Recommendations for: CN Paper & Janitorial Supplies (IFB 3101); CN Frozen & Refrigerated Foods (IFB 3102); CN Dry, Staples, & Canned Foods (IFB 3103); CN Delivered Fresh Pizza (IFB 3104); CN Bread Items (IFB 3105); CN Milk & Related Items (IFB 3106); CN Steamers & Skillets (IFB 3107); Walk-In Coolers & Freezers (IFB 3108); Hamburger & Frankfurter Buns (IFB 3109)**

Approved tabulations and recommendations as submitted for: CN Paper & Janitorial Supplies (IFB 3101); CN Frozen & Refrigerated Foods (IFB 3102); CN Dry, Staples, & Canned Foods (IFB 3103); CN Delivered Fresh Pizza (IFB 3104); CN Bread Items (IFB 3105); CN Milk & Related Items (IFB 3106); CN Steamers & Skillets (IFB 3107); Walk-In Coolers & Freezers (IFB 3108); Hamburger & Frankfurter Buns (IFB 3109)

Funding Source: 004-000-244 Key 5-3100-631 Object, 004-000-000 Key 1-0241-001 Object, and 004-0000-244 Key 5-3100-612 Object

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

### **SR-12 Additional First Student Spare Buses**

Approved a minimum of 10 additional First Student Spare Buses, since the 2008-2009 school session, the Transportation Department has 69 less drivers based upon October 1st reporting. This is a result of route consolidations for increased efficiency and an inability to hire qualified owner-operators for yearly vacancies. We have vigorously recruited driving personnel by constant advertisement on the JPPSS website, but have been unable to meet the demands of attrition. As a result, additional First Student buses are required to replenish our fleet of spare buses and cover available routes which could not be filled by owner-operators. These spare buses are required for route coverage due to breakdowns as well as daily and long term approved absences. On average there are roughly 20 driving personnel absences per transport day. The Transportation Department is seeking approval to add a minimum of 10 First Student buses this year to the current contract at a yearly cost of \$45,100 per bus for a total of \$451,000.

General Fund Budget Code: 52721519

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-13 Special Revenue Funds Budget 8(g) New Schools Incubation Grant**

Approved Special Revenue Funds Budget 8(g) New Schools Incubation Grant for Laureate Academy Start Up.

Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1304 requires the adoption of a comprehensive budget presenting a complete financial plan for the ensuing year for the General Fund and each Special Revenue Fund. Special Revenue Funds are operated under the supervision of the Jefferson Parish School Board and are used to account for funds received from other governmental agencies that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. Although the Special Revenue Funds operate under the supervision of the Jefferson Parish School Board, these funds must be budgeted and expended to specifically meet the needs of the particular grant. These funds are not at the discretion of the Jefferson Parish School Board and cannot supplant expenditures currently being paid by the General Fund 739.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-14 Approval of "Charter School Start-Up Loan Agreement", a \$25,000 loan from the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) to Laureate Academy Charter School**

Approved "Charter School Start-Up Loan Agreement", a \$25,000 loan from the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) to Laureate Academy Charter School.

Laureate Academy Charter School has applied and received approval from the LA DOE for a loan available to certain charter schools. The document is being submitted for JPSB approval with authorization for the Board President & Superintendent to sign.

The school district will act as a pass through of funds for this loan transaction. The LA DOE will provide the funds directly to JPPSS and the district will send the funds directly to

Laureate Academy Charter School. Laureate Academy Charter School will be responsible for all payments of the loan to LA DOE. There will be no financial impact on the district.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-15 Approval of fees for Sisung Group related to sale of \$27,500,000 LTD Tax Bonds (Deferred from 4/22/15)**

Approved fees for Sisung Group related to the sale of \$27,500,000 LTD Tax Bonds (Deferred from 4/22/15). The school board has a contract with Sisung Securities Corporation to act as Municipal Advisor to provide the school board to the extent reasonably requested, with advice and assistance regarding the issuance and sale of revenue bonds or notes, general obligation bonds or notes, or special obligation bonds or notes of the school board.

Within this capacity services include but are not limited to:

- (i) Attendance at and participation in meetings with State, Federal and City officials, underwriters, investors, counsel and representatives of rating agencies; and
- (ii) Financial analysis in connection with the sale of Bonds and structuring of the financial plan of the CLIENT in connection with its bond programs.

Fund 0520000000 will include the proceeds from the \$27.5 MM LTD Tax Bonds. The Municipal Advisor Fees and all other fees related to the issuance of the bonds will be deducted from these proceeds.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-16 Approval to allow Young Audiences Charter School to install a portable classroom building at the Kate Middleton site.**

Approved allowing Young Audiences Charter School to install a portable classroom building at the Kate Middleton site.

Young Audiences Charter School has requested permission to install a portable classroom building at the Kate Middleton campus. This addition will allow them to house all current students at their Kate Middleton campus.

It is proposed the JPSB allow Young Audiences Charter School to install the portable under the following conditions:

1. The current per student rate deducted from MFP for the cost of insurance will be adjusted for any increase in rates.
2. Young Audiences must apply for and receive all necessary permits from the City of Gretna. All necessary documentation must be submitted to the State Fire Marshal's office.
3. Young Audiences must pay for all associated costs to install the portable building.
4. Upon termination of the lease, Young Audiences must pay for all costs to remove the portable building from the site and restore the site to original condition.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-18 Approval of Martin Marino Dance Challenge Service Contract and related expenses.**

Approved Martin Marino Dance Challenge Service Contract and related expenses. The contract for the Dance Challenge coordinator in the amount of \$10,000 and approval of expenditures in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 for expenses related to the production of the Dance Challenge.

The coordinator contract will be funded by vendor proceeds from the Beverage Provider Agreement with Louisiana Coca Cola Bottling Company in the amount of \$10,000.

Funds for expenses related to production of the Dance Challenge will be provided from the general fund in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-19 2015-2016 Occupational Therapy/Physical Therapy Contracts**

Approved the contractual agreement between JPPSS and Peytain, McCoy, Prat, and Reine to provide physical and occupational therapy services to special education students. To provide services to our students as per federal law under P.L. 108-466 (IDEA) and Act 754(f), which mandates that special education students receive physical and occupational therapy services as a related service when recommended by evaluation and placed in the IEP. A sole justification is in order because of the availability of the professionals listed in the attached contracts to work on a contract bases in lieu of permanent employment.

Funding will be paid through P.L. 108-446 (IDEA) budget.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-20 LA 4 MOU with Beary Cherry, Inc., and Spring Ridge Academy**

Approved MOU with Beary Cherry, Inc., and Spring Ridge Academy. In accordance with ACT 3, JPPSS will enter into a MOU with Beary Cherry, Inc., and Spring Ridge Academy to house one LA 4 class each. A team of JPPSS personnel conducted site visits and interviews to decide which child care centers to recommend.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-21 Motion to approve the resolution employing William Aaron, Jr., as special counsel, to represent the Board in the lawsuit styled "Louvenia Penwright v. Jefferson Parish School Board, 24th JDC, Parish of Jefferson, Case No. 748-097, Division "I".**



Approved a resolution employing William Aaron, Jr., as special counsel, to represent the Board in the lawsuit styled "Louvenia Penwright School Board, 24th JDC, Parish of Jefferson, Case No. 748-097, Division "I".

A former employee has filed suit against the Board asserting claims of discrimination based on race and disability, retaliation and other violations of civil and constitutional rights. William Aaron has extensive knowledge and experience in representing public bodies with respect to the matters raised in the Petition for Damages.

Mr. Aaron shall be paid for his services in accordance with the hourly rate structure approved by the Attorney General for the payment of special counsel.

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-23 Approval of contract with TPR Education, LLC d/b/a The Princeton Review for ACT prep course for students at Grand Isle School**

Approved of contract with TPR Education, LLC d/b/a The Princeton Review for ACT prep course for students at Grand Isle School to provide ACT prep course for students for the purpose of increasing ACT test scores.

To be paid through Title I funds

Moved by Mr. St. Pierre, Seconded by Mr. Floyd

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**SR-24 Contract with Carr, Riggs & Ingram (CRI) to confirm the nature and limitation of the consulting services they are to provide to the Jefferson Parish Public School System on an as request basis.**

Approved Contract with Carr, Riggs & Ingram (CRI) to confirm the nature and limitation of the consulting services they are to provide to the Jefferson Parish Public School System on an as request basis.

The scope of the engagement will be to provide certain consultation services, including research, meetings, and if requested, written correspondence, reports, etc. regarding the following matters:

Former Superintendent James Meza, Jr.'s employment contracts  
Requests from the Louisiana Legislative Auditor  
Bonding capacity and refinancing of JPPSS debt  
Any other matters requested by the School Board and/or Administration

Moved by Mr. St. Pierre, Seconded by Mr. Floyd

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda**

**SR-17A resolution for the adoption of the JPSB millage rates for the tax rolls at December 2015**

Approved a resolution for the adoption of the JPSB millage rates for the tax rolls at December 2015. To be funded by the revenue source.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2015 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the Parish School Board of the Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
School District Regular	2.91 mills
Schools Parishwide	7.00 mills
School Dist No. 1	4.00 mills
School District	9.000 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2015, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS:  
NAYS:  
ABSTAINED:  
ABSENT:

#### **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting held on June 3, 2015, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Harvey, Louisiana, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2015.

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Cedric Floyd, President

Moved by Mr. St. Pierre, Seconded by Mr. Floyd

The following voice vote was as taken:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Johnson , Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

### **SR-22 District Reorganization Structure with associated Job Description changes**

Approved the amended District Reorganization Structure with associated Job Description changes:

During the 2011/2012 school year the Jefferson Parish Public School System took part in a major transformation of its central office structure and its services. The initial impetus of this action was to prevent another year of budget cuts. In doing so, the administration restructured the academic and operational services offered to schools, thus, inadvertently reducing the organizational efficiencies. After three (3) years of operating under that structure and supported by a comprehensive review by our accrediting agency, AdvanceEd which showed that we scored below average on a number of indicators in the Teaching and Learning area/domain and after getting feedback from our stakeholders, it is imperative that we recalibrate our current support systems. The report also pointed to the lack of horizontal and vertical articulation of the curriculum. This proposed structure is consistent with the Superintendent's Vision in his 180 day plan of creating an instruction department or unit that would improve the instructional support and provide professional development opportunities for staff. The proposed organizational structure better reflects the work that is currently being done and supports the recommendations of the review for each unit and will further improve our organizational capacity and provide sustainability for the school district. Additionally, and of critical importance, this format will provide an environment that will support principals and teachers on every campus as we continue to strive for excellence in every classroom in every school.

The changes in the organizational structure also required a change in job descriptions to ensure they are aligned with the high quality of work expected as we strive for excellence.

Moved by Mr. Dale, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following delegation addressed the Board:

Cathy Johnson, JFT President addressed the Board in favor of this item.

Voting was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Johnson, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

### **New Business**

### **First Readings**

The following First Reading was offered by Mr. St. Pierre:

Move that the Board renewal the contract with the Law Firm Grant and Barrow for legal services according to the terms of the attached contract. (See attached)

The following First Reading was offered by Mr. Dale:

Move to reestablish the contract with Louisiana State University Human Development Center for Psychologists Interns for the Jefferson Parish School System.

The following First Reading was offered by Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge:

Move to instruct the Superintendent to budget that all K-8 schools have 11-month Assistant Principals.

Rationale: The Administrators of the K-8 schools are responsible for 9 or 10 grade levels. There are presently two K-8 schools with Assistant Principals on a 10 month salary schedule.

Fiscal Impact: The cost of increasing the two (2) Assistant Principals to an 11 month salary schedule will be approximately \$13,700.

**Public Comment**

Cathy Johnson, JFT President addressed the Board at this time concerning Student Learning Targets (SLT’s) in Jefferson Parish needing adjustments.

**Announcements/Good News**

Mr. Bonura wished Manny Barocco well in his retirement. Mr. Barocco served Jefferson Parish Public School System for over 40 years and last held the position of Athletic Director.

Ms. Doucet welcomed Denise Carpenter, JPPSS new Chief Student Support Officer.

SR-17 was asked to be reconsidered by Board President Mr. Floyd as read into record:

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So stipulated as above SR-17

Moved by Mr. Floyd, Seconded by Mr. St. Pierre

The following voice vote was held:

YEAS: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Johnson, Mr. St. Pierre, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Dale, Ms. Doucet, Mr. Bonura, Ms. Denapolis-Bosarge

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ms. Bourgeois

ABSTAIN: None

Motion carried.

**Administrative Reports**

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**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.