

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

JULY 19, 2011

The Terrebonne Parish School Board met today at 7:00 P.M. in regular session at its regular meeting place, the Terrebonne Parish School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, Houma, Louisiana, with Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, President, presiding and the following members present: Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Vice-President; Mr. Gregory Harding, Mr. Richard Jackson, Ms. Debi Benoit, Ms. Brenda Leroux Babin, Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Mr. Donald Duplantis, and Mr. Hayes J. Badeaux.

ABSENT: None

Mr. Jackson led the Board and audience in the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Charles Davidson, former City Mayor and Terrebonne Parish School Board Member; Willie Mae Foote, retired custodian; John Crumby, retired school teacher; Edward Etheridge, retired custodian, and Genevieve LeBoeuf, retired school food service employee.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of School Board Meeting of July 5, 2011, as recorded.

At this time, the Board recognized two students for having maintained "Perfect School Attendance" from grades K-12. These students received commendations from the Louisiana Department of Education. Certificates of Achievement were presented to the following honored students:

Carl Joseph Rogers, Jr.	H. L. Bourgeois High School
Megan M. Walker	South Terrebonne High School

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board ratified, as presented, the following list of professional instructional and non-instructional/support personnel actions (contract renewals, resignations, and retirements) for the period of June 16, 2011, through July 13, 2011:

Contract Renewal – Professional Supervisory Personnel

Arthur Joffrion	Supervisor, Federal	Federal	July 1, 2011	June 30, 2013
	Programs	Media/Resource Center		
Debra Yarbrough	Supervisor, Personnel	Central Office	July 1, 2011	June 30, 2013
Carol Davis	Assistant Superintendent	Central Office	July 1, 2011	June 30, 2013

Contract Renewal – Non-Instructional Supervisory Personnel

Devlin Aubert	Supervisor, Transportation	Auxiliary	July 1, 2011	June 30, 2012
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Christopher Babin	Network Administrator	System	Central Office	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,
Rebecca Breaux	Supervisor, Finance & Statistics		Central Office	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,
Donald Chamberlain	Plant Manager	Operations	Auxiliary	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,
Harris Henry	Executive Director, Finance & Services	Auxiliary	Central Office	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,
Judith Martin	Chief Accountant		Central Office	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,
Jack Moore	Risk Manager		Central Office	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,
Walt Prejean	Data Processing Manager		Central Office	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,
Monica Walther	Supervisor, Child Nutrition		Auxiliary	July 2011	1,	June 2012	30,

Contract Renewal – Professional Administrative Personnel

Cheryl Degruise	Principal		Dularge Middle	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Marcel Fournier	Principal		Grand Caillou Middle	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Sharon Henry	Principal		Village East Elementary	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Demetria Maryland	Principal		Legion Park Middle	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Pamela McCann	Principal		Broadmoor Elementary	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Marilyn Schwartz	Administrator		Bayou Cane Adult Education Center	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Thomas Soudelier	Principal		Houma Junior High	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Mark Torbert	Principal		Evergreen Junior High	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Debra Jones	Assistant Principal		South Terrebonne High	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,
Leslie Thompson	Assistant Principal		Houma Junior High	July 2011	1,	June 2013	30,

Resignations or Terminations – Professional Instructional Personnel

*** Please note that resignations and retirements received during the months of June and July had an effective date of their last day of the 2010-11 school session.**

Timothy Betts	Physical Education Teacher	East Street Alternative	Resigned	05/24/11
Vina Cruse	English & Reading Teacher	Ellender Memorial High	Resigned	05/24/11
Jessica Fanguy	Secondary Guidance Counselor	Houma Junior High	Resigned	06/03/11
Angela Fauchaux	Health Nurse Special Education	School for Exceptional Children	Resigned	05/24/11
Tristan Guidry	Math Teacher	Evergreen Junior High	Resigned	05/24/11
Danielle Percle	6 th Grade Teacher	Coteau-Bayou Blue Elementary	Resigned	05/24/11
Gary Smith	6 th Grade Teacher	Village East Elementary	Resigned	05/24/11
Timothy Stringer	Business & D E Teacher	Ellender Memorial High	Resigned	06/03/11
Megan Trahan	Social Studies Teacher	H. L. Bourgeois High	Resigned	05/24/11

Resignations or Terminations – Non-Instructional Personnel

Gerald Douglas	Building Manager	Terrebonne High	Resigned	06/28/11
Mindy Rhodes	School Secretary A-4	Terrebonne High	Resigned	06/13/11

At this time, the Board recognized the following employees who recently retired:

Professional Instructional Personnel

Sandra Markey	Mild Moderate – Self-Contained Teacher	Southdown Elementary	Service Retirement	10.50 Years	05/24/11
Vickie Vedros	Gifted Elementary Teacher	Oakshire Elementary	Service Retirement	25.07 Years	05/24/11

Non-Instructional/Support Personnel

Kathy Mattingly	Administrative Secretary I	Central Office	Service Retirement	21.56 Years	06/30/11
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Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board accepted the staff's recommendations, as presented, for the following students (a through l):

- (a) Readmission of Student #146412 (return to base school)
- (b) Readmission of Student #116830 (return to base school)
- (c) Readmission of Student #132441 (return to base school)
- (d) Readmission of Student #113249 (return to base school)
- (e) Readmission of Student #135906 (return to base school)
- (f) Readmission of Student #139942 (return to base school)
- (g) Readmission of Student #131276 (return to base school)
- (h) Readmission of Student #129623 (return to base school)
- (i) Readmission of Student #128367 (return to new base school)
- (j) Readmission of Student #133170 (return to new base school)
- (k) Readmission of Student #133906 (return to new base school)
- (l) Readmission of Student #129779 (return to base school)

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board voted to go into executive session, at this time (7:15 P.M.), to discuss the parent appeal for readmission of "(m) Student #121371."

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board reconvened in regular session (7:35 P.M.) with all members present.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board allowed Student #121371 to return to South Terrebonne High School, subject to signing a contract and principal/advisory committee input.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Ms. Benoit, unanimously carried, the Board voted to go into executive session, at this time (7:36 P.M.), to discuss the parent appeal for readmission of "(n) Student #115359."

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board reconvened in regular session (8:15 P.M.) with all members present.

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Harding, unanimously carried, the Board allowed Student #115359 to return to the base school, subject to signing a contract.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board voted to go into executive session, at this time (8:20 P.M.), to discuss the guardian appeal for readmission of "(o) Student #126928."

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board reconvened in regular session (9:00 P.M.) with all members present.

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board directed that Student #126928 remain at Andrew Price School, subject to a report and review by Superintendent Philip Martin in January 2012.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board deviated from the regular order of the agenda to receive the following partial report of the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee meeting with Mr. DeHart, Vice-Chairman, presiding:

Dear Members of the Board:

The **Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee** met on Monday, July 18, 2011, at 5:00 P. M. in the Board Room of the School

Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, with the following members present: Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Gregory Harding. Mr. Hayes J. Badeaux, Chairman, was absent. Others in attendance were Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Mr. Richard Jackson, Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Superintendent Philip Martin, and members of the staff.

Mr. DeHart called the meeting to order. The meeting began with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following is a **partial report** of the Committee meeting.

Mr. Devlin Aubert, Supervisor of Transportation/Safety, addressed the Committee regarding purchasing wireless electronic communication services for the Transportation Department.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The Committee recommends that the Board approve the purchase of wireless electronic communication services, with push-to-talk (PTT) function, from Sprint/Nextel for the entire Transportation Department bus fleet (183 buses), six (6) transportation dispatch support personnel, and six (6) transportation shop support personnel to replace obsolete walkie-talkie radio services, hardware, installation; 19% of said service cost will be paid by the General Fund (\$25,539.00), remaining 81% of eligible service cost has been approved for E-rate funding up to \$48,084.84, and further, authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

The final report of the Committee meeting will be presented to the Board at its August 2, 2011, meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Dale DeHart, Vice-Chairman

Gregory Harding

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Motion of Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board approved the purchase of wireless electronic communication services, with push-to-talk (PTT) function, from Sprint/Nextel for the entire Transportation Department bus fleet (183 buses), six (6) transportation dispatch support personnel, and six (6) transportation shop support personnel to replace obsolete walkie-talkie radio services, hardware, installation; 19% of said service cost will be paid by the General Fund (\$25,539.00), remaining 81% of eligible service cost has been approved for E-rate funding up to \$48,084.84, and further, authorized the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

Mr. Devlin Aubert, Supervisor of Transportation/Safety, addressed the Board regarding the foregoing motion.

The partial report of the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee meeting was concluded, and President Bordelon reassumed the Chair and presided for the remainder of the proceedings.

The Board returned to the regular order of the agenda.

President Bordelon reminded all School Board Members of the upcoming School Board Member In-service Training that is scheduled for Friday, July 22, 2011, at 7:30 A.M. at Terrebonne High School.

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Harding, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting **(9:45 P.M.)**.

/s/ Philip Martin, Secretary

/s/ L. P. Bordelon, III, President

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