## PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

## April 10, 2018

The Terrebonne Parish School Board met today at 6:00 P.M. in regular session at its regular meeting place, the Terrebonne Parish School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, Houma, Louisiana, with Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, president, presiding, and the following members present: Ms. Vicki Bonvillain, vice president, Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Mr. Gregory Harding, Mr. Richard Jackson, Mrs. Debi Benoit, Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, and Mr. Donald Duplantis.

ABSENT: Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin

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

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Geraldine L. Lagarde, retired school secretary, and Mary F. Voisin, retired central office secretary, who recently passed away.

Motion of Ms. Bonvillain, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of School Board Meetings of March 6, 2018, and March 20, 2018, as recorded.

At this time, the Board recognized the following 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, representing Terrebonne Parish in the 2017-2018 Students of the Year Program, who were invited to tonight's meeting for introduction and to receive a certificate:

Bayou Black Elementary School Broadmoor Elementary School Caldwell Middle School Coteau-Bayou Blue Elementary School Dularge Elementary School Elysian Fields Middle School Gibson Elementary School Grand Caillou Middle School Lacache Middle School Legion Park Elementary School Lisa Park Elementary School Montegut Middle School Mulberry Elementary School Oakshire Elementary School Southdown Upper Elementary School Village East Middle School

Aiyanea Gray Kloie Keiser Evan Robichaux Elizabeth Vitter Hunter Dulock Isabella Andino Lailynn Legnon Marlys Hernandez-Fitch Kaylee Authement Akaja McGuire Madelyn Naguin **Kimberly Schouest** Barrett LeBon Aubre Fuller Keylin Coronado Myi'Laili Crockem

The Board then recognized and presented a plaque to the Terrebonne Parish (2017-2018) 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Student of the Year, Kimberly Schouest, Montegut Middle School student.

Several announcements were made by President DeHart relative to upcoming meetings.

The following report of the Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee meeting was presented to the Board with Mr. Duplantis, chairman, presiding:

Dear Members of the Board:

**The FINANCE, INSURANCE, and SECTION 16 LANDS COMMITTEE** met at 5:00 P.M. on Monday, March 19, 2018, in the Board Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Donald Duplantis, chairman, Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, vice chairman, and Mrs. Debi Benoit. Also in attendance were Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Board president, Ms. Vicki Bonvillain, vice president, Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Mr. Richard Jackson, Superintendent Philip Martin, and members of the staff.

Chairman Duplantis called the meeting to order. The meeting began with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Jack Moore, Risk Manager, addressed the Committee regarding Property Insurance Renewal for 2018 (attached).

### **RECOMMENDATION NO. 1**

**The Committee recommends** that the Board accept the renewal offer for Property Insurance through USI Insurance Services, Inc., providing \$50 million dollar limits per occurrence with \$12 million dollar sub-limits for Named Storms, subject to \$100,000.00 deductible per occurrence for all perils except for three (3%) percent deductible subject to \$500,000.00 minimum per occurrence for Named Storms, effective April 27, 2018, with an annual premium of \$845,877.38.

Mrs. Rebecca Breaux, Chief Financial Officer, presented an update on the Financial Software conversion.

Mrs. Breaux presented information on a Monthly Budget-to-Actual Comparison report (attached).

Mrs. Breaux presented an update on the Sales Tax collections report (attached). She stated that sales tax collections for the month of January 2018 are approximately 3.4% higher than January 2017.

There being no further business to come before the **Finance**, **Insurance**, **and Section 16 Lands Committee**, motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Benoit, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Duplantis, Chairman

Roosevelt Thomas, Vice Chairman

Debi Benoit

RB/bp

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board accepted the renewal offer for Property Insurance through USI Insurance Services, Inc., providing \$50 million dollar limits per occurrence with \$12 million dollar sub-limits for Named Storms, subject to \$100,000.00 deductible per occurrence for all perils except for three (3%) percent deductible subject to \$500,000.00 minimum per occurrence for Named Storms, effective April 27, 2018, with an annual premium of \$845,877.38.

The report of the Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee meeting was concluded, and President DeHart reassumed the Chair.

The following report of the Education, Technology, and Policy Committee meeting was presented to the Board with Ms. Bonvillain, chairwoman, presiding:

Dear Members of the Board:

**The EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGY, AND POLICY COMMITTEE** met at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 2018, in the Board Room of the School Board Office, with the following members present: Ms. Vicki Bonvillain, chairwoman, Mr. Richard Jackson, vice chairman, and Dr. Brenda Leroux Babin. Also in attendance were Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Board president, Mr. Donald Duplantis, Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Superintendent Philip Martin, and members of the staff.

Chairwoman Bonvillain called the meeting to order. The meeting began with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Superintendent Martin presented revisions to the 2018-2019 School Calendar due to recent 2018-2019 testing dates announced from the Louisiana Department of Education (attached). He requested that Easter/Spring Break be moved from April 19-26, 2019, to April 15-22, 2019, so that students will not be expected to test immediately following the Easter/Spring break.

# **RECOMMENDATION NO. 1**

**The Committee recommends** that the Board ratify and approve revisions to the 2018-2019 School Calendar with the school year beginning August 2, 2018 (for employees), August 6, 2018 (for students), and ending May 24, 2019, with the following holidays to be observed during the school session: Labor Day, September 3, 2018; Fall Break, October 5-8, 2018; Thanksgiving, November 19-23, 2018; Christmas, December 24, 2018 - January 4, 2019; students return on January 7, 2019; Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday (observance), January 21, 2019; Mardi Gras, March 4-8, 2019; and Easter/Spring Break, April 19-26, 2019, <u>April 15-22, 2019</u>; (Fall make-up days, <u>if needed</u>, will be October 5, October 8, and November 19, 2018; Spring make-up days, <u>if needed</u>, will be March 7, and March 8, 2019); students' last day will be May 23, 2019, and teachers' last day will be May 24, 2019.

Mr. Bubba Orgeron, Assistant Superintendent, presented information regarding the transition of students from East Houma Elementary School to Village East Middle School, and the consolidation of these two schools, beginning with the 2018-2019 School Year.

### **RECOMMENDATION NO. 2**

**The Committee recommends** that the Board approve the consolidation of East Houma Elementary School and Village East Middle School, with Pre-K going to Honduras Elementary School, beginning with the 2018-2019 School Year.

There being no further business to come before the **Education**, **Technology**, and **Policy Committee**, the meeting adjourned at 5:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Bonvillain, Chairwoman

#### Richard Jackson, Vice Chairman

Brenda Leroux Babin, Ph.D.

#### ABO/jb

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board ratified and approved revisions to the 2018-2019 School Calendar with the school year beginning August 2, 2018 (for employees), August 6, 2018 (for students), and ending May 24, 2019, with the following holidays to be observed during the school session: Labor Day, September 3, 2018; Fall Break, October 5-8, 2018; Thanksgiving, November 19-23, 2018; Christmas, December 24, 2018 - January 4, 2019; students return on January 7, 2019; Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday (observance), January 21, 2019; Mardi Gras, March 4-8, 2019; and Easter/Spring Break, April 19-26, 2019, April 15-22, 2019; (Fall make-up days, if needed, will be March 7, and March 8, 2019); students' last day will be May 23, 2019, and teachers' last day will be May 24, 2019.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board approved the consolidation of East Houma Elementary School and Village East Middle School, with Pre-K going to Honduras Elementary School, beginning with the 2018-2019 School Year.

The report of the Education, Technology, and Policy Committee meeting was concluded, and President DeHart reassumed the Chair and presided for the remainder of the proceedings.

The Executive Committee report was presented to the Board.

Motion of Ms. Bonvillain, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board received the following Executive Committee report in its entirety:

Dear Members of the Board:

The **Executive Committee** met at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, in the Board Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, president, Ms. Vicki Bonvillain, vice president, and Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III. Also in attendance were Mr. Donald Duplantis, Mr. Richard Jackson, Superintendent Philip Martin, and Mrs. Rebecca Breaux.

The meeting began with an invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The **Executive Committee** examined and authorized payment of invoices for the current month (including supplemental payroll and travel expenses).

The **Executive Committee** addressed member concerns.

There being no further business to come before the **Executive Committee**, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Dale DeHart, President

Vicki Bonvillain, Vice President

L. P. Bordelon, III

BB/bp

The Executive Committee report was concluded.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, unanimously seconded, unanimously carried, the Board approved the following resolution recognizing April 23-27, 2018, as Secretaries' Week and April 25, 2018, as Secretaries' Day:

#### **RESOLUTION**

Whereas April 23-27, 2018, has been proclaimed as Secretaries' Week;

**Whereas** Wednesday, April 25, 2018, has been designated as Secretaries' Day;

**Whereas** school and department secretaries are responsive to the wellbeing of students, professional personnel, support personnel, parents, and the community; and

**Whereas** the Terrebonne Parish School Board wishes to publicly recognize the contributions that school and department secretaries make to the educational process in our district; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board hereby recognizes the week of April 23-27, 2018, as Secretaries' Week and April 25, 2018, as Secretaries' Day and expresses deep appreciation to the secretaries for their unselfish service to schools, departments, and the community; and be it further

**Resolved**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all Terrebonne Parish public schools and office buildings.

Motion of Ms. Bonvillain, unanimously seconded, unanimously carried, the Board approved the following resolution acknowledging May 7-11, 2018, as Teacher Appreciation Week:

### **RESOLUTION**

Whereas the week of May 7-11, 2018, has been designated as Teacher Appreciation Week;

**Whereas** teachers are dedicated to promoting quality instruction for all students;

Whereas teachers mold the minds and influence the lives of thousands of youngsters each year; and

Whereas teachers prepare students for a happy and successful role in society; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board hereby acknowledges the week of May 7-11, 2018, as Teacher Appreciation Week and extends heartfelt thanks and appreciation to teachers throughout the district; and be it further **Resolved**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all Terrebonne Parish public schools and departments.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board approved a family and medical leave in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.4a) for Glen Williams, Custodian III-A at Broadmoor Elementary School, beginning May 3, 2018, through June 29, 2018 (medical).

Motion of Ms. Bonvillain, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board rescheduled the School Board Meeting of April 17, 2018, to April 24, 2018 (due to LSBA Capitol Conference), and rescheduled the agenda deadline from noon Wednesday, April 11, 2018, to noon Wednesday, April 18, 2018.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting **(6:40 P.M.)**.

/s/ Philip Martin, Secretary

/s/ Roger Dale DeHart, President

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