

**TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
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HOUMA, LOUISIANA 70360**

School Board Meeting – January 5, 2021

Order of Business

6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Approval of Minutes of School Board Meeting of December 1, 2020

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the minutes of School Board Meeting of December 1, 2020, as recorded.

6. Election of Board Officers
 1. President
 2. Vice President
7. Citizen Presentation
 - A. Earl “Stan” Gravois, Director, TGMC Community Sports Institute – Update in accordance with Cooperative Agreement between Terrebonne General Medical Center and Terrebonne Parish School Board
8. Announcements

1/05

6:00 Regular School Board Meeting

1/18

Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday (Holiday)

1/19

5:00 Education, Technology, & Policy Committee
Buildings, Food Service, & Transportation Committee
Finance, Insurance, & Section 16 Lands Committee
Executive Committee

2/1-5

National School Counseling Week

2/1-28

African American History Month

2/02

6:00 Regular School Board Meeting

9. Superintendent's Agenda

A. Information Item

(1) School Speed Zones – Sheriff Tim Soignet

B. Agenda Items

(1) Banking and Investment Resolution

The President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board and the Superintendent of Schools are the parties authorized to jointly exercise signature authority over Board-demand deposit accounts. Whenever there is a change in the President and/or the Superintendent, the Board must grant the new officer(s) signatory power by adopting the pertinent resolution and providing new signature documents to its fiscal depositories.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board adopt the following Banking and Investment Resolution:

RESOLUTION

Whereas in a regular session of the Terrebonne Parish School Board held on January 5, 2021, the Board, by viva voce vote, elected _____ to serve as President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board for the one-year term beginning this date;

Whereas in a regular session of the Terrebonne Parish School Board held on January 20, 2009, the Board, by viva voce vote, appointed Mr. Philip Martin to serve as Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer of the Terrebonne Parish School Board beginning January 20, 2009;

Whereas Mr. Philip Martin, on January 20, 2009, upon furnishing bond as required by law, did assume the office and functions of Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer of the Terrebonne Parish School Board; and

Whereas on January 5, 2021, _____, upon furnishing bond as required by law, did assume the office and functions of President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that copies of this resolution, certified by the Secretary of the Terrebonne Parish School Board, be furnished to any and all interested parties, including fiscal depositories, directing and authorizing said institutions to grant full faith and credit to the acts and signatures of Mr. Philip Martin as Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer of the Terrebonne Parish School Board and _____ as President of the Terrebonne Parish School Board;

Resolved that all fiscal depositories are directed and authorized to honor negotiable instruments drawn upon the accounts of the Terrebonne Parish School Board bearing the facsimile signature of Mr. Philip Martin and Mrs. Debi Benoit until such time as a signature plate bearing the facsimile signatures of both _____ and Mr. Philip Martin is procured and placed into service;

Resolved that the Superintendent, Chief Financial Officer, or the duly authorized subordinate employee of each or any of the foregoing appointed officers be and is authorized to individually conduct and transact the business of purchasing, redeeming, or reinvesting certificates of deposit and other types of interest-bearing investments, as well as pledging matters and wire transfers relating thereto;

Resolved that the Superintendent, Chief Financial Officer, or the duly authorized subordinate employee of each or any of the foregoing appointed officers be and is authorized and directed to accept physical custody of such interest-bearing investments and monetary returns on same in the name and on behalf of the Terrebonne Parish School Board; and be it further

Resolved that said Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer be and are authorized to release any safekeeping receipt and/or security pledged to the Terrebonne Parish School Board provided that each release will bear the signatures of both of the above-authorized individuals.

- (2) Resolution Declaring January 2021 as “Local School Board Member Recognition Month”

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the following resolution recognizing January 2021 as “Local School Board Member Recognition Month” in the State of Louisiana:

RESOLUTION

Louisiana School Board Recognition Month January 2021

Whereas the education of Louisiana’s school-aged children is the foundation upon which the economic, social and intellectual capital of our state is built;

Whereas locally elected school boards play an important and vital

role in a representative democracy, and decisions made by local boards of education directly influence instruction in Louisiana's public schools;

Whereas these decisions affect the present and future lives of children, and also set direction to prepare all students to be competitive in a local, state, national, and global 21st century economy;

Whereas local school board members work with parents, businesses, education professionals, all elected officials and other community members to create the educational visions we want for our students;

Whereas this year's theme – **SCHOOL BOARDS MATTER!** - reflects the relevance of local school board members as they advocate for public education with local, state, and federal leaders; and

Whereas School Board Recognition Month provides an opportunity to build stronger relationships between the thousands of people in Louisiana who champion the mission of public education and school board members; now, therefore be it

Resolved, the Terrebonne Parish School Board recognizes the contributions of the state's local school boards to the academic success of its public school students and expresses its sincerest recognition to the local school board members for their focus on the well-being and achievement of children throughout the state; further

Resolved, the Terrebonne Parish School Board declares January 2021 as School Board Member Recognition Month and encourages local school districts and community leaders to appropriately recognize our state's dedicated school board members; and be it finally

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

- (3) Approval of Resolution recognizing February 2021 as African American History Month

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the following resolution recognizing February 2021 as African American History Month in Terrebonne Parish Schools:

RESOLUTION

Whereas the month of February is traditionally observed as African American History Month;

Whereas the observance of a special period to recognize achievements and contributions by African Americans dates back to February 1926; and

Whereas the observance period is ultimately the recognition of America's struggle to become a more perfect union; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board recognizes February 2021 as African American History Month in the Terrebonne Parish Public Schools and encourages administrators, teachers, and students to observe this month with appropriate activities and programs that raise awareness and appreciation of African American History; and be it further

Resolved, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all Terrebonne Parish Public Schools and office buildings.

- (4) Approval of Proclamation recognizing February 1-5, 2021, as National School Counseling Week

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the following proclamation recognizing February 1-5, 2021, as National School Counseling Week in Terrebonne Parish Schools:

PROCLAMATION

Whereas School Counselors are employed in public and private schools to help students reach their full potential;

Whereas School Counselors are actively committed to helping students explore their abilities, strengths, interests, and talents as these traits relate to career awareness and development;

Whereas School Counselors help parents focus on ways to further the educational, personal, and social growth of their children;

Whereas School Counselors work with teachers and other educators to help students explore their potential and set realistic goals for themselves;

Whereas School Counselors seek to identify and utilize community resources that can enhance and complement comprehensive school counseling programs and help students become productive members of society; and

Whereas comprehensive developmental school counseling programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve success in schools; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board recognizes February 1-5, 2021, as National School Counseling Week in Terrebonne Parish Public Schools; and be it further

Resolved, that copies of this proclamation be forwarded to all Terrebonne Parish Public Schools and office buildings.

(5) Personnel Section

(a) Personnel Actions for Period of November 16, 2020, through December 11, 2020 [list of professional instructional and non-instructional/support

personnel (appointments, resignations, and retirements – Information Only)]

(6) Parent Appeal for Student #0009779 Readmission (Executive Session)

10. Adjournment

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