

TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
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HOUMA, LOUISIANA 70360

School Board Meeting - February 4, 2003

Order of Business

7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Approval of Minutes of School Board Meeting of January 21, 2003
6. Board Committee Meeting Reports
  - A. Executive Committee
  - B. Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc.
  - C. Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee
7. Superintendent's Agenda
  - A. Agenda Items
    - (1) Approval of Resolution Recognizing February 2003 as African American History Month
    - (2) Requests for Professional Leave
      - (a) Two Teachers at Evergreen Jr. High School, and Two Teachers and Two Librarians at Houma Jr. High School

- (b) Teacher at Terrebonne-Vocational Technical High School
- (3) Purchasing Section
  - (a) Board Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Materials and Supplies for Teaching
  - (b) Board Authorization to Advertise for Bids for a Fuel Contract
- (4) Mr. Michael X. St. Martin and Mr. Joseph Jevic, Attorneys - Issues pertaining to settlements reached in the litigation involving: (1) Section 16, Township 21 South, Range 16 East, with Mobil Exploration and Producing, Inc. of the litigation captioned "Terrebonne Parish School Board vs. Mobil Exploration and Producing, Inc." #126,754, 32<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court, Parish of Terrebonne, and (2) Section 16, Township 18 South, Range 13 East, with Koch Gateway Pipeline Co. and Columbia Gulf Transmission Co. of the litigation captioned "Terrebonne Parish School Board vs. Columbia Gulf, et al" #00-CV-319, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana (Executive Session Required)
- (5) Matter Bearing upon Pending Litigation: G.J. and R.J., individually and on behalf of their minor child, P.J., versus No. 02-2336, Terrebonne Parish School Board, ABC Insurance Company, and Chad Paul Benoit, United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana - Mr. Berwick Duval, Attorney (Executive Session Requested)

8. Announcements

2/08            A.C.T. at H. L. Bourgeois & Ellender Memorial

2/10

5:00        Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee

**2/13**

5:00 E.R.C.

7:00 Parent Representative Committee

**2/18**

5:30 Executive Committee

6:00 Board of Directors, Terrebonne Construction Company,  
Inc.

7:00 Regular School Board Meeting

9. Adjournment

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## AGENDA ITEMS

### (1) APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 2003 AS AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board approve the following resolution recognizing February 2003 as African American History Month in Terrebonne Parish Schools:

#### RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** The month of February is traditionally observed as African American History Month; and

**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 2003 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.

**(2) REQUESTS FOR PROFESSIONAL LEAVE**

- (a) Two Teachers at Evergreen Jr. High School, and Two Teachers and Two Librarians at Houma Jr. High School**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board approve a request to allow Mr. James Landry and Mr. Russell Triche, teachers, Evergreen Jr. High School; Ms. Jennifer Cenac and Mr. Ricky Portier, teachers, Houma Jr. High School; and Ms. Cindy Hunter and Ms. Suzanne Martin, librarians, Houma Jr. High School; to attend the Fourth Annual National Renaissance Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, February 5-8, 2003, (Wednesday - Saturday), in accordance with policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses, including registrations, transportation, rooms, meals, and substitutes to be paid through the IASA Title II Fund.

- (b) Teacher at Terrebonne Vocational-Technical High School**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board approve a request to allow Mr. Anthony Romero, teacher, Terrebonne Vocational-Technical High School, to attend the Universal Technical Institute Visitation in Houston, Texas, February 7-9, 2003 (Friday-Sunday), in accordance with policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by the Universal Technical Institute.

**(3) PURCHASING SECTION**

- (a) Board Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Materials and Supplies for Teaching**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise for bids for materials and supplies for teaching for the 2003-2004 school session.

(b) **Board Authorization to Advertise for Bids for a Fuel Contract**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise for bids for a fuel contract to furnish on-site and off-site fuels.

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