

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

January 18, 2005

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. Clark J. Bonvillain, President, presiding, and the following members present: Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Vice-President; Mr. Gregory Harding, Mr. Richard Jackson, Mr. Rickie Pitre, Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Mr. Donald Duplantis, and Mr. Hayes Badeaux.

ABSENT: Mr. Roosevelt Thomas

Mr. Harding led the Board and audience in the opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of our local soldiers, who were recently killed in Iraq; Mildred Pontiff, retired teacher, and Harry Bergeron, retired bus driver, who recently passed away.

At this time, the Board deviated from the regular order of the agenda to take up Agenda Item 7, 3) (c) - Matter Pertaining to Opening of Bids Received for Oil, Gas, and Mineral Lease on Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 16 East and return to the regular order of the agenda upon completion of said item.

At the hour of seven o'clock, (7:00 P.M.) pursuant to its official notice, motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board voted to cease accepting and open bids it received for: "Oil, Gas, and Mineral Lease on Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 16 East."

President Bonvillain opened the one bid received from Noble Energy, Inc.

The President then appointed an in-house committee consisting of Mr. Donald Duplantis, Mr. Herbert Carreker (Purchasing Agent), and Mr. Michael Veazey (Consultant), to evaluate the bid received from Noble Energy, Inc. for an oil, gas, and mineral lease on Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 16 East and report back to the Board, with a recommendation, later in the meeting.

The Board returned to the regular order of the agenda.

Mr. Bordelon moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, that the Board approve the minutes of School Board Meetings of December 7 and 21, 2004, as recorded.

Substitute motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Pitre, unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of School Board Meeting of December 7, 2004, as recorded, and postponed the approval of the minutes of the School Board Meeting of December 21, 2004, until the next regular School Board Meeting.

The Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee report was presented to the Board with Mr. Bordelon, Chairman, presiding:

Dear Members of the Board:

The **Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee** met on Monday, January 10, 2005, at 5:00 P. M. in the Board Room of the School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, with the following members present: Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Chairman; Mr. Gregory Harding, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Roger Dale DeHart. Others in attendance were Mr. Clark Bonvillain, President, Mr. Donald Duplantis, Mr. Richard Jackson, Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Mr. Rickie Pitre, Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr., and members of the staff.

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

Each Board Member provided input on the Comprehensive Master Facility Plan. Discussion ensued on the various aspects of the Plan which included, but was not limited to, the following issues: cost, priorities, preschool programs, renovations, neighborhood schools, 6-4-4 models 1 and 2, the comprehensive high school, etc.

At the next Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee meeting, the salient features of the Board Members' input will be further discussed so that a consensus can be reached prior to forwarding the Board's wishes to the Superintendent.

The Committee was presented with a monthly update on projects and maintenance issues.

There being no further business to come before the **Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee**, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ L. P. Bordelon, III, Chairman
 /s/ Gregory Harding, Vice-Chairman
 /s/ Roger Dale DeHart

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

At this time, the Board received a recommendation from the in-house committee (appointed earlier in tonight's meeting) who reviewed the bid received from Noble Energy, Inc. for an oil, gas, and mineral lease on Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 16 East.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Bonvillain, unanimously carried, the Board accepted the bid received meeting all specifications from Noble Energy, Inc. for an oil, gas, and mineral lease on Section 16, Township 20 South, Range 16 East for 169.09 acres in the amount of \$325.00 per acre, totaling \$54,954.25 initial consideration and a ten percent (10%) fee in the amount of \$5,495.43, with the royalty to be twenty-five percent (25%), subject to review by the Board Attorney and approval by the State Mineral Board, and further, authorized the Board President and Superintendent to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

The Board resumed the regular order of the agenda.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board approved a request to allow Ms. Mary Lynn Levron, teacher at Montegut Middle School, to attend the National Science Teachers Association Convention in Dallas, Texas, March 31-April 3, 2005 (Thursday-Sunday), in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by NCLB Title II Fund.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board approved a request to allow Ms. Mary Justice, Principal at Bourg Elementary School, to attend the American Association of School Administrators (AASA) Annual Conference in San Antonio, Texas, February 17-20, 2005 (Thursday-Sunday), and the American Association of School Administrators (AASA) Leadership Conference in San Diego, California, April 28-30, 2005 (Thursday-Saturday), in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by Louisiana Association of School Executives (LASE).

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board approved a request to allow Ms. Pamela P. Carlos, Ms. Janell C. Cunningham, Ms. Lana R. Dancer, Ms. Carolyn T. Elkins, Ms. Holly L. Michel, Ms. Tina Q. Norman, and Ms. Joan C. Whitney, teachers at Grand Caillou Middle School, to attend the 26th Annual National Educational Computing Conference (NECC) in Philadelphia,

Pennsylvania, June 27-30, 2005 (Monday-Thursday), in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by NCLB Title I Fund.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board granted an extension of contracted services for Mr. William "Bill" Simmons, Interim Assistant Supervisor of Personnel, as recommended by the Superintendent, for the remainder of the 2004-2005 school session.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board approved a sabbatical leave (medical) in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.1) for Ms. Holly Desmore, teacher at West Park Elementary School, beginning January 19, 2005, through June 2, 2005.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Pitre, unanimously carried, the Board approved a family and medical leave in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.4a) for Ms. Grace Buckland, Title I Paraprofessional at Coteau-Bayou Blue School, beginning January 10, 2005, through April 18, 2005.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board approved a leave of absence without pay in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.10) for Ms. Christine Billiot, school bus driver in the Transportation Department, beginning January 28, 2005, through January 27, 2006.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Harding, unanimously carried, the Board ratified the following list of professional instructional and non-instructional/support personnel actions (contract renewals, appointments, retirements, resignations, and terminations) for December 2004 and January 2005:

New Employee Appointments - Professional Instructional Personnel

Ana Contreras, Foreign Language Tchr, OFAT, H. L. Bourgeois - Dennis Hager, Resigned, 01/13/05

Todd Boudreaux, Math Teacher, PLT, Ellender Memorial - Sidney Rhodes, Sick Leave, 01/13/05

Valerie Branton, 5th Grade Teacher, Certified, Elysian Fields - Christy Badeaux, Resigned, 12/21/04

Scott Louviere, 6th Grade Teacher, Certified, Elysian Fields - Vacant Position, 12/13/04

Mandy McQuade, Special Ed Teacher, OFAT, Elysian Fields - Added Position, 01/03/05

Charles Domino, Math Teacher, OFAT, Evergreen Jr. High - Linda Leray, Retired, 01/13/05

Amanda Callahan, Gifted Elementary Tchr, Certified, Gibson - Vacant Position, 12/13/04

Alyce Harding, Kindergarten Teacher, Certified, Honduras - Debra Robichaux, Retired, 01/03/05

Michele Cenac, 5th Grade Teacher, Certified, Lisa Park - Myra Austin, Promoted, 12/13/04

Johnie Crochet, Visual Impaired Teacher, OFAT, S. E. C. - Joann Parks, Retired, 01/03/05

Delicia Calloway, Science Teacher, Certified, Terrebonne High - Vacant Position, 01/13/05

New Employee Appointments - Non-Instructional/Support Personnel

Patricia Green, School Food Service Tech, Acadian - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Jessica Guillory, School Food Service Tech, Acadian - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Melissa LeBoeuf, School Secretary II, Broadmoor - Sally Duplantis, Transferred, 01/03/05

Leslie Verdin, School Food Service Tech, Dularge Elem. - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Becky Dubois, School Food Service Tech, Elysian Fields - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Pamela Lyons, School Food Service Tech, Legion Park - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Cynthia Jones, Custodian III A-12M, Oaklawn Jr. High - Toni Hebert, Resigned, 01/10/05

Susan Marcel, School Food Service Tech, Schriever - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Debbie Nelson, School Food Service Tech, Schriever - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Williemae Wilson, School Food Service Tech, Schriever - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Bertha Celestin, Custodian III A-12M, South Terrebonne - Vernon Carrere, Resigned, 01/10/05

Kermit Doiron, Custodian III A-12M, South Terrebonne - Errol Chouest, Promoted, 1/10/05

Mary Lowe, School Food Service Tech, Grand Caillou Middle - Vacant Position, 01/03/05

Robert Saltzman, School Bus Driver, Regular Ed, Transportation Dept. - Delores Hadley, Resigned, 12/20/04

Resignations or Terminations - Professional Instructional Personnel

Christy Badeaux, 5th Grade Teacher, Elysian Fields - Resigned, 12/22/04

Rewa Boone, Pre-School Coordinator, Special Ed Dept. - Resigned, 12/22/04

Christon Dusenberry, Elem Incentive Teacher, Greenwood - Resigned, 01/07/05

Chrystal Portier, Math Teacher, Terrebonne High - Resigned, 01/12/05

Felecia Roberson, 7th Grade Teacher, Legion Park - Resigned, 12/22/04

Resignations or Terminations - Non-Instructional/Support Personnel

Stanley Degruise, Carpenter, Maintenance Dept. - Resigned, 12/21/04

Tynoa Marcel, Title 1 Paraprofessional, Coteau-Bayou Blue - Resigned, 12/22/04

At this time, Supt. Richard recognized the following retirees, who were in attendance at tonight's meeting, for their years of service with the Terrebonne Parish School Board:

Linda Leray, Foreign Language/Math Teacher, Evergreen Jr. High - Service Retirement, 33 years, 01/12/05

Joann Parks, Visual Impaired Teacher, S. E. C. - Service Retirement, 33 years, 12/22/04

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Purchasing Department to advertise for bids on Custodial Cleaning Products/Program.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Purchasing Department to advertise for proposals to provide Dust Mop Service for all sites.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board approved the following appointments to the 2005 Executive Committee, as presented by President Bonvillain: (Mr. Clark Bonvillain, President; Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Vice-President, and Mr. Hayes Badeaux).

President Bonvillain then presented the following Standing Committee Appointments for 2005:

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2005

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Clark J. Bonvillain, President
L. P. Bordelon, III, Vice-President
Hayes Badeaux

FINANCE, INSURANCE, and SECTION 16 LANDS COMMITTEE

Donald Duplantis, Chairman
Richard Jackson, Vice-Chairman
Roosevelt Thomas

BUILDINGS, FOOD SERVICE, and TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

L. P. Bordelon, III, Chairman
Gregory Harding, Vice-Chairman
Roger Dale DeHart

EDUCATION and POLICY COMMITTEE

Hayes Badeaux, Chairman
Rickie Pitre, Vice-Chairman
Richard Jackson

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ADVISORY MEMBERS FOR HEALTH & HOSPITALIZATION

Risk Manager
President-Principals Association or Designee
President-T.A.E. or Designee
President-Terrebonne Professional Educators or Designee
President-Bus Drivers Association or Designee
President-School Food Services Association or Designee
Maintenance/Custodian Representative
Designated Representatives (2) - Retired Teachers Associations
Executive Director of Finance
At-large Member

Mr. Rickie Pitre addressed the Board regarding "Update on Employee Health Care Insurance: (Eligibility, Enrollment Period, and Board Resolution Pertaining to Program Guidelines Relevant to ERISA and Cobra Requirements."

Mr. Jack Moore, Risk Manager, and Mr. Berwick Duval, Board Attorney, addressed the Board regarding the foregoing issue.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting (7:52 P.M.).

/s/ Ed Richard, Jr., Secretary
President

/s/ Clark J. Bonvillain,
President

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