

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**

**September 6, 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. Roosevelt Thomas, Mr. Gregory Harding, Mr. Richard Jackson, Mr. Rickie Pitre, Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, Mr. Donald Duplantis, and Mr. Hayes Badeaux.

**ABSENT:** None

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

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board apprised the audience that a public hearing was in session, as advertised, for the purpose of adjusting millage rates on the Terrebonne Parish Tax Roll for 2005.

Following three requests for public comment by the President and getting no response, the Board voted to close the public hearing at this time.

Mr. Duplantis moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, that the Board adopt the following resolution adjusting the Regular School Tax (Constitutional) to the adjusted millage (3.76 mills) in accordance with Article VII, Section 23(B) and (C) of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705 (B) (1) and (2):

**RESOLUTION NO. 1754**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Terrebonne Parish School Board of the Parish of Terrebonne, Louisiana, in a public hearing held on September 6, 2005, which hearing was conducted in accordance with the open meetings law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Constitution, that the following adjusted millage rate(s) be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2005, for the purpose of raising revenue:

**MILLAGE**

**Regular School Tax - Maintenance**

**3.76 Mills**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Assessor of the Parish of Terrebonne shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2005, the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

**YEAS:** Mr. Thomas, Mr. Harding, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Pitre, Mr. Bonvillain, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The President declared the motion to adopt the resolution carried.

The Board apprised the audience that a public hearing was in session, as advertised, for the purpose of adjusting the Special School Tax-Maintenance millage rates on the Terrebonne Parish Tax Roll for 2005.

Following three requests for public comment by the President and getting no response, the Board voted to close the public hearing.

Mr. Badeaux moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, that the Board adopt the following resolution adjusting the Special School Tax-Maintenance to the adjusted millage (5.28 mills) in accordance with Article VII, Section 23(B) and (C) of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705 (B) (1) and (2):

**RESOLUTION NO. 1755**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Terrebonne Parish School Board of the Parish of Terrebonne, Louisiana, in a public hearing held on September 6, 2005, which hearing was conducted in accordance with the open meetings law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Constitution, that the following adjusted millage rate(s) be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2005, for the purpose of raising revenue:

**MILLAGE**

**Special School Tax - Maintenance**

**5.28 Mills**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Assessor of the Parish of Terrebonne shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2005, the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

**YEAS:** Mr. Thomas, Mr. Harding, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Pitre, Mr. Bonvillain, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The President declared the motion to adopt the resolution carried.

The Board apprised the audience that a public hearing was in session, as advertised, for the purpose of adjusting millage rates (Regular School Tax-Maintenance) after reassessment and roll forward the millage to a rate not to exceed the prior year's maximum millage for tax year 2005.

Following three requests for public comment by the President and getting no response, the Board voted to close the public hearing at this time.

Mr. Duplantis moved, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, that the Board, with two-thirds vote and subsequent to both the public hearing and adopting the adjusted Regular School Tax - Maintenance millage, adopt the following resolution levying the millage:

**RESOLUTION NO. 1756**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Terrebonne Parish School Board, of the Parish of Terrebonne, Louisiana, in a public hearing held on September 6, 2005, which hearing was conducted in accordance with the open meetings law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Constitution, that the taxing authority voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2005, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

**Approved Adjusted**

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Millage</u>
<b>Regular School Tax - Maintenance</b>	<b>3.76 Mills</b>	<b>3.86 Mills</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board elects to levy the following millages for 2005:

**2005 Levy**

**3.76 Mills**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Assessor of the Parish of Terrebonne shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2005, the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

**YEAS:** Mr. Thomas, Mr. Harding, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Pitre, Mr. Bonvillain, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The President declared the motion to adopt the resolution carried.

The Board apprised the audience that a public hearing was in session, as advertised, for the purpose of adjusting millage rates (Special School Tax-Maintenance) after reassessment and roll forward the millage to a rate not to exceed the prior year's maximum millage for tax year 2005.

Following three requests for public comment by the President and getting no response, the Board voted to close the public hearing at this time.

Mr. Duplantis moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, that the Board, with two-thirds vote and subsequent to both the public hearing and adopting the adjusted Special School Tax-Maintenance millage, adopt the following resolution levying the millage:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1757**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Terrebonne Parish School Board, of the Parish of Terrebonne, Louisiana, in a public hearing held on September 6, 2005, which hearing was conducted in accordance with the open meetings law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Constitution, that the taxing authority voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2005, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>Approved Adjusted Maximum Millage</u>
<b>Special School Tax - Maintenance</b>	<b>5.28 Mills</b>	<b>5.41 Mills</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board elects to levy the following millages for 2005:

**2005 Levy**

**5.28 Mills**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Assessor of the Parish of Terrebonne shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2005, the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The following resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

**YEAS:** Mr. Thomas, Mr. Harding, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Pitre, Mr. Bonvillain, Mr. Bordelon, Mr. DeHart, Mr. Duplantis, and Mr. Badeaux

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The President declared the motion to adopt the resolution carried.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board voted to conclude the public hearing at this time.

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

Dear Members of the Board:

**The FINANCE, INSURANCE, and SECTION 16 LANDS COMMITTEE** met in the Board Room of the School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, at 5:00 P.M. on Monday, August 15, 2005, with the following members present: Mr. Donald Duplantis, Chairman, Mr. Richard Jackson, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Roosevelt Thomas. Also in attendance were Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr., and members of the staff.

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

Mr. Harris Henry presented the 2004-2005 fiscal year Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. He stated that the only exception was that of previous years.

**RECOMMENDATION NO. 1**

**The Committee recommends** that the Board adopt the following resolution in reference to the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the 2004-2005 fiscal year:

***RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_***

***BE IT RESOLVED***, That the Terrebonne Parish School Board, in connection with the June 30, 2005, audit, adopts the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for submission to Bergeron and Lanaux and confirms that the representatives made therein are to the best of the Board's knowledge and belief, and

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, That Clark J. Bonvillain, President of Terrebonne Parish School Board, Ed Richard, Jr., Superintendent, and Harris Henry, Executive Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services, be authorized to sign said questionnaire.

Mr. Henry informed the Committee relative to the 2005 Millage Levies stating that as of this time information has not been received from the Assessor's Office, however, advertisement in the newspaper was done July 29 and July 31, 2005. He said the September 6, 2005, Board meeting has been scheduled to "set" the millages for calendar year 2005 according to the guidelines and according to the letter from the Assessor.

Mr. Henry then stated as per Circular 1092 an additional certified pay supplement has been received in order to pay the minimum \$530.00 increase for 2005-2006. He said since the System previously paid \$432.00 that another \$98.00 was necessary to equal the \$530.00. He also said this \$98.00 will not be added to the pay scale since it is from the TEACH – Fund, which is State non-recurring revenues.

### **RECOMMENDATION NO. 2**

**The Committee recommends** that those positions included in Circular 1092, employed as of September 2, 2005, as well as those other positions paid on Teacher, Supervisor/Assistant Supervisor, and Executive Director of Finance salary tables be paid a \$98.00 one-time supplemental payment, and that such payment be included in the September 2005 payroll check.

There being no further business to come before the **Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee**, the meeting adjourned at 5:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board adopted the following resolution in reference to the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the 2004-2005 fiscal year:

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1758**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Terrebonne Parish School Board, in connection with the June 30, 2005, audit, adopts the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for submission to Bergeron and Lanoux and confirms that the representations made therein are to the best of the Board's knowledge and belief, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That Clark J. Bonvillain, President of Terrebonne Parish School Board, Ed Richard, Jr., Superintendent, and Harris Henry, Executive Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services, be authorized to sign said questionnaire.

Motion of Mr. Harding, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board approved those positions included in Circular 1092, employed as of September 2, 2005, as well as those other positions paid on Teacher, Supervisor/Assistant Supervisor, and Executive Director of Finance salary tables, be paid a \$98.00 one-time supplemental payment, and that such payment be included in the September 2005 payroll check.

The report of the Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee meeting was concluded, and the President reassumed the chair and presided for the remainder of the proceedings.

The Executive Committee report was presented to the Board.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. DeHart, 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, August 16, 2005, in the Board Conference Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Clark Bonvillain, President, Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Vice-President, and Mr. Hayes Badeaux. Others in attendance were Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr., Mr. Harris Henry, and Mrs. Rebecca Breaux.

The meeting began with a prayer 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).

There being no further business to come before the **Executive Committee**, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The Executive Committee report was concluded.

The report of the Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc. was then presented to the Board.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board received the following report of the Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc. in its entirety:

Dear Members of the School Board:

The **Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc.** met at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, August 16, 2005, in the Board Conference Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Clark Bonvillain, President, Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Secretary/Treasurer, and Mr. Hayes Badeaux. Others in attendance were Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr., Mr. Harris Henry, and Mrs. Rebecca Breaux.

The **Board of Directors** received the July 2005 financial statement (attachment).

There being no further business to come before the **Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc.**, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Clark Bonvillain, President  
 /s/ L. P. Bordelon, III, Secretary-Treasurer  
 /s/ Hayes Badeaux

The report of the Board of Directors of Terrebonne Construction Company, Inc. was concluded.

At this time, Supt. Ed Richard, Jr. gave an update on Hurricane Katrina damages/student registration, etc.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board authorized administration (due to Hurricane Katrina) to requisition from Laidlaw Educational Services additional school buses (used, if possible) to use in the 2005-2006 school year.

At this time, the Board recognized Ms. Tessie Adams, Louisiana School Teacher of the Year, who addressed the Board regarding school uniforms for the evacuees of Hurricane Katrina and possible school make-up days.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Harding, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting **(8:32 P.M.)**.

/s/ Ed Richard, Jr., Secretary

/s/ Clark J. Bonvillain, President

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