

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

February 7, 2006

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. Jackson led the Board and audience in the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by the Boy Scouts from Troop 311.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Kable Cunningham, retired school teacher, Gerald Tolleson, retired guidance counselor, and Vivian Rhodes, retired school food service technician, who recently passed away.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes of the School Board Meetings of January 10 and 17, 2006, as recorded.

The following report of the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee meeting 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 23, 2006, 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. Roosevelt Thomas, 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.

Mr. Matthew Ridley, Siemens Building Technologies, Inc., addressed the Committee relative to the annual energy report. This report covers the energy performance for the fifth year of the guaranteed savings agreement (June 2004 - May 2005). The district has realized energy savings in excess of the guaranteed savings for the program. Terrebonne Parish School Board saved \$433,259.00, or 112% of the \$388,416.00 energy dollars that the district has been guaranteed to achieve each year. The total energy savings to-date is \$2,541,393.00.

Mr. Ira Davis addressed the Committee relative to the Phase I Environmental Assessment Study associated with the donation of fifteen (15) acres of property fronting Grand Caillou Road south of and adjacent to Saia Motor Freight Office at the corner of Grand Caillou Road and Woodlawn Ranch Road. He stated that GSE Associates, Inc. performed the above-mentioned study.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The Committee recommends that the Board accept the donation from Walter Land Company of fifteen (15) acres of property fronting Grand Caillou Road south of and adjacent to Saia Motor Freight Office at the corner of Grand Caillou Road and Woodlawn Ranch Road, authorize the Board Attorney to proceed with all legal documents, including required surveys, pertaining to the donation of said

property, and further, authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

Superintendent Richard addressed the Committee relative to an update report on the storm damage to schools (Hurricanes Katrina and Rita). The actual expenses through January 20, 2006, are \$1,731,496.00, and the total estimated expenses remaining are \$313,119.71. Insurance monies received were \$1,806,310.88, and FEMA should assist the school system, including assistance for the expense of the portables at Broadmoor and Mulberry Elementary Schools.

Superintendent Richard addressed the Committee relative to the Master Comprehensive Facility Plan Task Force Committee. He stated there is nothing new to report at this time.

The Committee addressed the School Facility Survey. The surveys were distributed at the parent conferences and are being returned to the School Board Office. The results of the survey will be presented to the Committee as soon as all are received, possibly at the next Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee meeting in February.

Mr. DeHart also addressed the Committee relative to the Master Comprehensive Facility Plan Task Force Committee.

The following motion was offered and seconded, but failed:

That the Superintendent and staff recommend a proposal for a Facility Plan between \$80,000,000.00 and \$100,000,000.00, including air conditioning for buses and gymnasiums, and a substantial cost of living raise for all employees, and further, report to the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

The Committee recommends that the Superintendent and staff report to the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee with a proposal for a Facility Plan, which includes the cost of funding such plan.

Mr. Curtis Prevost addressed the Committee relative to an agreement to provide school bus service.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3

The Committee recommends that the Board adopt the following Agreement to Provide School Bus Service:

AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

BY: TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

TO: _____

This Agreement is entered into this ____ day of _____, 200__ by and between:

TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, herein represented by its duly authorized President, Clark Bonvillain (hereinafter referred to as "TPSB"), and

_____, herein represented by its duly authorized representative pursuant to that Resolution of its Board of Directors attached hereto and made a part hereof (hereinafter referred to as "CLIENT"),

who do agree as follows:

TPSB agrees to furnish to CLIENT at its apartment complex/trailer park located at _____, Houma, Louisiana, school bus services to pick and drop off elementary and secondary students living and residing at said apartment complex/trailer park during the normal school bus service hours to be determined by TPSB. The pick up location and drop off location of the elementary and secondary students residing at said apartment complex/trailer park shall be in the sole discretion of TPSB.

In consideration of furnishing this school bus service CLIENT specifically agrees to defend, protect, hold harmless and indemnify TPSB and TPSB's agents and employees against any and all responsibility, liability, suits, claims, demands and actions for bodily injury or property damage (including costs, attorney's fees and expenses of defending against such claims) in connection with all suits, claims, demands and actions asserted by anyone and arising directly or indirectly out of any occurrence on or about CLIENT's property as the result of TPSB's actions in providing this bus service including any such action caused by the negligence or fault of TPSB, its agents or employees in furnishing such bus service. The obligations of CLIENT to TPSB under this paragraph shall not be dependent in any way upon the existence of fault or negligence and shall include all legal liabilities arising as the result of providing bus service to CLIENT.

CLIENT agrees to maintain in full force and effect and to pay the premiums for policies of liability insurance insuring against such claims with limits of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per person and \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, and further, shall cause TPSB to be named as an additional insured with a waiver of subrogation under such policy.

This Agreement is entered into by the parties herein as of the day and date listed above.

TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

BY: _____
CLARK BONVILLAIN, PRESIDENT

(CLIENT)

BY: _____

Mr. DeHart addressed the Committee relative to classroom space at Mulberry Elementary School. He requested that the Facility Plan begin in phases with overcrowded schools, such as Mulberry Elementary School, in Phase 1.

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

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Mr. DeHart moved, seconded by Mr. Harding, that the Board direct the Superintendent and staff to report to the Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee with a proposal for a Facility Plan, which includes the cost of funding such plan.

A roll call vote having been called for on the motion, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

NAYS: Mr. Badeaux

ABSENT: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board adopted the following Agreement to Provide School Bus Service:

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TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

BY: _____
CLARK BONVILLAIN, PRESIDENT

(CLIENT)

BY: _____

Mr. Curtis Prevost, Supervisor of Transportation, addressed the Board regarding the foregoing motion.

The Buildings, Food Service, and Transportation Committee report was concluded, and the President reassumed the chair.

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 in the Board Room of the School Board Office, 201 Stadium Drive, at 5:00 P.M. on Monday, January 30, 2006, with the following members present: Mr. Donald Duplantis, Chairman; Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Richard Jackson. Also in attendance were Mr. Clark Bonvillain, President, Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Mr. Rickie Pitre, 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. Mark Felger, Lanaux and Felger CPAs, addressed the Committee relative to the 2004/2005 annual report. He said that the statement was reviewed in detail during an earlier exit conference meeting with management and Board representatives. He briefly discussed the various sections of the audit report. He also reviewed graphs relative to the revenues, expenditures, and fund balances of the various funds of the System.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The Committee recommends that the Board receive the June 30, 2005, Terrebonne Parish School Board Audit Report, as presented.

Mrs. Rebecca Breaux reviewed the original 2005/2006 budget for the Group Insurance Claims Fund.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

The Committee recommends that the Board adopt the original 2005/2006 budget for the Group Insurance Claims Fund.

GROUP INSURANCE CLAIMS FUND 2005/2006 ORIGINAL BUDGET

REVENUES

Interest Income	\$342,000
Insurance Premium	
Billings	23,975,000
Claim Recoveries - All Types	75,000

Rebates	125,000
Transfer from One Cent Sales Tax Fund	<u>1,200,000</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	25,717,000
EXPENSES	
Claims Paid	24,275,000
Claims Reserve	506,522
Fluctuating Claims Reserve	89,478
Personal Care Account Reserve	(114,198)
Financial Audit Fees	8,520
Actuary Fees	7,500
PPO Access Fees	55,000
Broker Fee	45,000
Advantage Card Service	18,000
Utilization Review	75,000
Dental Administration Fees	57,000
Life Insurance Premiums	920,000
Minimum Premium	370,000
Claims Administration	<u>600,000</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	26,912,822
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(1,195,822)
RETAINED EARNINGS	
Beginning	<u>3,502,585</u>
Ending	<u><u>\$2,306,763</u></u>

Mrs. Breaux then reviewed the revised 2005/2006 budgets for several Special Revenue Funds.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3

The Committee recommends that the Board adopt the 2005/2006 revised budgets for the following Special Revenue Funds:

<u>FUND NUMBER</u>	<u>FEDERAL FUNDS</u>	<u>CURRENT BUDGET</u>	<u>INCREASE (DECREASE)</u>	<u>REVISED BUDGET</u>
220	NCLB TITLE I			
	-Current Year	\$5,667,418	0	\$5,667,418
	-Prior Year	383,975	0	383,975
	-Carryover	160,732	0	160,732
	-School Improvement	80,338	0	80,338
	-CSR Prior Year	29,707	6,601	36,308
	-Migrant-Current Year	125,845	0	125,845
	-Migrant-Prior Year	16,842	0	16,842
	-Donations	983	350	1,333
	TOTAL	\$6,465,840	6,951	\$ 6,472,791
240U S	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES-TANF BLOCK GRANT			
	U S Child-Care Development			
	-Federal Funds	\$ 40,840	0	\$ 40,840

	-Strategies to Empower People Program (STEP)	0	3,564	3,564
	TOTALS	\$ 40,840	3,564	\$ 44,404
320	NCLB-TITLE IV FUND PART A and PART B MOVE I			
	-Current Year	\$ 620,000	0	\$ 620,000
	-Prior Year	105,898	0	105,898
	MOVE II			
	-Current Year	483,956	0	483,956
	-Donation	0	2,000	2,000
	Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Grants			
	-Current Year	154,805	(6,324)	148,481
	-Prior Year	28,462	0	28,462
	-Donation	2,040	0	2,040
	Creative Art Grant	5,460	0	5,460
	TOTALS	\$ 1,400,621	(4,324)	\$1,396,297
370	NCLB TITLE II – PART A EISENHOWER Act			
	-Staff Development	\$ 238,659	0	\$ 238,659
	-Class Size Reduction (CSR)	1,240,146	0	1,240,146
	-Prior Year-Staff Development	155,182	0	155,182
	-Prior Year-CSR	17,798	0	17,798
	-Enhancing Education through Technology	105,628	0	105,628
	-Carryover Enhancing Education through Technology	0	50,931	50,931
	-Prior Year-Enhancing Education through Technology	118,656	(50,931)	67,725
	NCLB TITLE II - PART B,			
	-Mathematics and Science Partnerships	35,000	5,000	40,000
	-Teaching American History	13,912	0	13,912
	-Transfer-3/4 Cent Sales Tax	1,400	0	1,400
	TOTALS	\$1,926,381	\$ 5,000	\$1,931,381
490	FEDERAL ADULT EDUCATION			
	-Basic-Current	\$ 191,691	0	\$ 191,691
	-Basic-Prior Year	12,459	0	12,459
	-English Lang./Civics Curr. Yr.	22,008	0	22,008
	-Corrections	0	3,299	3,299
	-English Lang./Civics-Prior Yr.	1,850	0	1,850
	-Family Literacy-Current Year	112,069	0	112,069
	-Family Literacy-Prior Year	5,814	0	5,814
	TOTALS	\$ 345,891	3,299	\$ 349,190
520	K-3 READING/MATH INITIATIVE			
	-Current Year	\$288,064	(27,274)	\$260,790
	-Support Transfer from General Fund	70,000	27,274	97,274
	¾ Cent Sales Tax Fund	50,000	-0-	50,000
	TOTAL	\$408,064	-0-	\$408,064
610	8(g) BLOCK GRANTS			
	-LINCS - Learning-Intensive Networking Communities for Success	\$ 58,426	0	\$ 58,426
	-Local Teacher Quality	56,119	0	56,119
	-Blue Ribbon Teacher Asst.	0	12,000	12,000
	-Local Grant – Chase	0	5,000	5,000

-Mini-Grant Awards of Excellence Program	54,345	(4,345)	50,000
-PreK-12 State Reading Plan	4,5008,908	13,408	
	<u>\$173,390</u>	<u>21,563</u>	<u>\$ 194,953</u>

<u>FUND NUMBER</u>	<u>STATE FUNDS</u>	<u>CURRENT BUDGET</u>	<u>INCREASE (DECREASE)</u>	<u>REVISED BUDGET</u>
430	Teacher Assessment	\$80,389	(46,369)	\$34,020
680	ADULT EDUCATION STATE			
	-Basic	\$120,232	(11,384)	\$108,848
	-Corrections	0	333	333
	TOTALS	<u>\$120,232</u>	<u>(11,051)</u>	<u>\$109,181</u>
720	STATE REMEDIATION			
	-Minimum Foundation	\$ 72,833	0	\$ 72,833
	-LEAP 21 Tutoring/ High Stakes Remediation	460,796	(43,628)	417,168
	-GEE 21	56,264	(5,327)	50,937
	TOTALS	<u>\$589,893</u>	<u>\$ (48,955)</u>	<u>\$540,938</u>
740	STATE TEXTBOOKS REVENUE:			
	-MFP-Textbooks	\$ 618,610	0	\$ 618,610
	-¾ Cent –Textbooks	485,816	0	485,816
	-Support Transfer	200,000	0	200,000
	-Non Public Textbooks	76,985	(746)	76,239
	-Lost/Damaged Books	2,000	0	2,000
	TOTAL	<u>\$1,383,411</u>	<u>(746)</u>	<u>\$1,382,665</u>
740	EXPENDITURES:			
	-Textbooks	\$1,585,059	0	\$1,585,059
	-Non Public Textbooks	76,985	(746)	76,239
	TOTAL	<u>\$1,662,044</u>	<u>(746)</u>	<u>\$1,661,298</u>
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	\$ (278,633)	0	\$ (278,633)
	FUND BALANCE: BEGINNING	\$ 278,633	0	\$ 278,633
	ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

Mr. Herbert Carreker reviewed the alligator egg collection contract with Pelts & Skins L.L.C. He said the School Board had solicited quotes for the collecting of eggs in 2001 and the contract was for five (5) years, of which expired with the 2005 alligator collection season.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4

The Committee recommends that the Board authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise for sealed quotes for an exclusive contract to collect alligator eggs on Terrebonne Parish School Board's Section 16 Lands.

Mrs. Judy Martin presented information relative to Louisiana Unemployment Compensation payments. She informed the Committee that payments made to Unemployment Compensation Control Systems, Inc. were not forwarded to the Louisiana Department of Labor, which resulted in a balance due to the State. She then said the School Board has subsequently paid the Louisiana Department of Labor and is seeking reimbursement by Unemployment Compensation Control Systems, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 5

The Committee recommends that the Board allow the Administration, by legal means if necessary, to obtain restitution from Unemployment Compensation Control Systems, Inc. and/or Unemployment Compensation Control Systems of Louisiana for payments made to them that should have been forwarded to the Louisiana Department of Labor.

Mr. Chris Babin reviewed the State of Louisiana negotiated vendor contract with reference to e-rate funding. He discussed certain avenues for obtaining funding for network equipment in cases of declared disasters.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 6

The Committee recommends that the Board allow the Administration to utilize the State of Louisiana negotiated vendor contract for purchasing certain network equipment [e-rate 90% funded] for declared disaster areas, further, that the Board President be authorized to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto, pending Board attorney review (the above is contingent upon obtaining e-rate funding).

Superintendent Richard discussed an adjustment to salary tables for full-time eligible employees, employed as of March 1, 2006.

A general discussion ensued.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 7

The Committee recommends that the Board approve a two-percent (2%) adjustment in base salary to all full-time eligible employees, monies to be derived from the salaries and benefits portion of the One Cent Sales Tax Fund and the respective funding sources for other full-time employees, payable by March 31, 2006, and that this two-percent (2%) increase be added to applicable salary tables, pending Board attorney review, further, the adjustment will be applicable to full-time personnel who are employed as of March 1, 2006.

There being no further business to come before the **Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee**, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board received the June 30, 2005, Terrebonne Parish School Board Audit Report, as presented.

Motion of Mr. Bonvillain, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, unanimously carried, the Board adopted the original 2005-2006 budget for the Group Insurance Claims Fund, as outlined in the foregoing report.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board adopted the original 2005-2006 revised budgets for several Special Revenue Funds, as outlined in the foregoing report.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Purchasing Department to advertise for sealed quotes for an exclusive contract to collect alligator eggs on Terrebonne Parish School Board's Section 16 Lands.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board allowed the Administration, by legal means if necessary, to obtain restitution from

Unemployment Compensation Control Systems, Inc. and/or Unemployment Compensation Control Systems of Louisiana for payments made to them that should have been forwarded to the Louisiana Department of Labor.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board allowed the Administration to utilize the State of Louisiana negotiated vendor contract for purchasing certain network equipment [e-rate 90% funded] for declared disaster areas, further, authorized the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto, pending Board attorney review (the above is contingent upon obtaining e-rate funding).

Mr. Badeaux moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, that the Board approve a two-percent (2%) adjustment in base salary to all full-time eligible employees, monies to be derived from the salaries and benefits portion of the One Cent Sales Tax Fund and the respective funding sources for other full-time employees, payable by March 31, 2006, and that this two-percent (2%) increase be added to applicable salary tables, pending Board attorney review, further, the adjustment will be applicable to full-time personnel who are employed as of March 1, 2006.

Following a lengthy discussion, Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. DeHart, offered a substitute motion, that the Terrebonne Parish School Board direct Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr. to increase the salary pay scale for all teachers and all full-time employees by two percent (2%) with a maximum amount not to exceed \$1,000.00, and furthermore, request a salary increase for all non-instructional employees' salary pay scale by two percent (2%), at a minimum of \$500.00, said increase to be paid on or around March 31, 2006, for the 2005-2006 school year. Further, direct Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr. to adjust the budget to meet said amount for the 2006-2007 school year and that said amounts be derived from the One Cent Sales Tax Fund, if funds permit, and if additional funds are needed, said funds to be derived from the ¾ Cent and 1/3 Cent Sales Tax Funds, with said request to be effective upon approval from the Attorney General's Office.

Mr. Clayton "Sonny" Lovell, Board Attorney, and Mr. Harris Henry, Executive Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services, addressed the Board regarding the foregoing motions.

A roll call vote having been called for on the substitute motion, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Roosevelt Thomas, Mr. Gregory Harding, Mr. Rickie Pitre, Mr. Clark Bonvillain, and Mr. Roger Dale DeHart

NAYS: Mr. Richard Jackson, Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Mr. Donald Duplantis, and Mr. Hayes Badeaux

ABSENT: None

The Chairman declared the substitute motion carried.

Mr. Harding left the meeting at this time and was absent for the remainder of the proceedings.

The Finance, Insurance, and Section 16 Lands Committee report 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. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, 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, January 17, 2006, in the Board Conference Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Clark Bonvillain, President, and Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Vice-President. Mr. Hayes Badeaux was absent. Others in attendance were Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr., Mr. Harris Henry, and Mrs. Judy Martin.

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

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. Pitre, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, 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, January 17, 2006, in the Board Conference Room of the School Board Office with the following members present: Mr. Clark Bonvillain, President, and Mr. L. P. Bordelon, III, Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Hayes Badeaux was absent. Others in attendance were Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr., Mr. Harris Henry, and Mrs. Judy Martin.

The **Board of Directors** voted to retain the same officers as 2005 along with the use of the same banking institution.

The **Board of Directors** allowed the Superintendent and/or his designee to negotiate a new lease with Mr. Charles Ryan for one/half of the building at 623 Belanger Street for eight-hundred dollars (\$800.00) per month, effective February 1, 2006, for a term of two (2) years terminating January 31, 2008, and authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documents pertaining thereto.

The **Board of Directors** received the December 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

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

At this time, Superintendent Ed Richard, Jr., announced that February 6-11, 2006, has been proclaimed by Governor Kathleen B. Blanco as "National School

Counseling Week” in the State of Louisiana. This special week is designed to promote school counseling in schools and communities.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, unanimously seconded, unanimously carried, the Board congratulated the Terrebonne Parish School Board Finance Department for its recent recognition by the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) and ordered the following comments, as read by Superintendent Richard, spread across the minutes:

“The Terrebonne Parish School Board Finance Department has received the Association of School Business Officials’ Meritorious Budget Award for its 2005-2006 annual budget. The awards program was designed by (ASBO) International and school business management professionals to enable school business administration to achieve excellence in budget presentation, as well as developing and analyzing a budget. The award is only conferred to school systems that have met or exceeded the award program criteria. This award reflects the commitment to achieving the highest standards of school budgeting. The staff of the Finance Department is to be congratulated for this significant achievement.”

Motion of Mr. Thomas, unanimously seconded, unanimously carried, the Board approved the following resolution recognizing February 2006 as African American History Month:

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 2006 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.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board approved a request to allow Mr. James Gauthreaux, teacher at H. L. Bourgeois High School, to attend the Pre-AP U.S. History Conference in Woodland, Texas, February 24-25, 2006 (Friday-Saturday), in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by Title II Funds.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board approved a request to allow Mr. Sean LeBlanc, teacher at Terrebonne High School, to attend the Pre-AP U.S. History Conference in Woodland, Texas, February 24-25, 2006 (Friday-Saturday), in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by Title II Funds.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board approved a request to allow Ms. Nancy Flaspohler, School Psychologist in the Special Education Department, to attend the Conference on Positive Behavior Support in Reno, Nevada, March 23-25, 2006 (Thursday-Saturday), in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by IDEA Funds.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board approved a request to allow Mr. Walt Prejean, Data Processing Manager; Mr. Bryan Guidroz, Computer Programmer/Operator; Ms. Bernadette Mabile, Instructional Technology Specialist; Ms. Judy Martin, Chief Accountant; and Ms. Debbie Bourgeois, Payroll Manager, Central Office, to attend the Annual Carter^Pertaine National Users' Group Meeting in San Antonio, Texas, April 3-5, 2006 (Monday-Wednesday), in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.2), expenses to be borne by Finance, System Networking, and Data Processing budgeted funds.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board approved the personnel appointment of Ms. Claudette Woods, Qualified Examiner-Educational Diagnostician, Special Education Department, as recommended by the Superintendent, effective on or about February 8, 2006.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Badeaux, 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 January 2006:

New Employee Appointments – Professional Instructional Personnel

Shaun Crochet, Special Ed Teacher, Certified, H. L. Bourgeois - Paula Graff, Sabbatical Leave, 1/04/06

Esteban DeLeon, Science Teacher, Practitioner, H. L. Bourgeois – Jennifer Amedee, Resigned, 01/30/06

Janice Watts, 6th Grade Teacher, Certified, Caldwell – Pamela Curry, Sick Leave, 01/19/06

Sybil James, Instrumental Music Teacher, Certified, Coteau-Bayou Blue – David Jefferson, Resigned, 01/30/06

Alicia Paul, Gifted Secondary Teacher, Practitioner, Ellender Memorial – Anna Kreamer, Resigned, 01/23/06

Sarah Carline, 8th Grade Teacher, Certified, Evergreen Jr. High – Karen Schexnaydre, Sick Leave, 01/06/06

Laura Reid, 1st Grade Teacher, Certified, Gibson - Donna Voisin, Maternity Leave, 01/17/06

Danielle Degruise, 7/8 Grade Tchr Combination, Certified, Houma Jr. High – Daniel Piacun, Resigned, 01/30/06

Jane Maher, Gifted Elementary Teacher, Certified, Montegut Middle – Heather Detillier, Sick Leave, 01/18/06

Juliana Smith, Special Ed Teacher, Certified, Mulberry – Added Position, 01/30/06

Laurie Taaffe, ESL Teacher, Certified, Federal Dept. – Added Position, 01/04/06

Resignations or Terminations – Professional Instructional Personnel

David Jefferson, Instrumental Music Teacher, Coteau-Bayou Blue – Resigned, 01/13/06

Anna Kreamer, Gifted Secondary Teacher, Ellender Memorial – Resigned, 01/27/06

Daniel Piacun, 7/8 Grade Tchr Combination, Houma Jr. High – Resigned, 01/25/06

Charlene Stein, Speech Therapist, Gibson – Resigned, 01/27/06

Resignations or Terminations – Non-Instructional/Support Personnel

Geraldine Aucoin, SFS Asst. Manager, Elysian Fields – Resigned, 01/17/06

Andrea Benoit, Special Ed Paraprofessional – H. L. Bourgeois, Resigned, 01/20/06

Carolyn Guillory, SFS Manager, Pointe-aux-Chenes – Resigned, 01/12/06

Superintendent Richard announced the following two retirements for the month of January 2006:

Professional Instructional Personnel

Glynda Bourgeois, Elementary Incentive Teacher, Mulberry – Service – 33.00 yrs. – 01/31/06

Gladys McCabe, Elementary Librarian, Grand Caillou Elementary – Service – 24.41 years – 01/30/06

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board approved a sabbatical leave of absence (medical) in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.1) for Ms. Jennifer Dugas, teacher at Southdown School, beginning February 8, 2006, through May 24, 2006.

Motion of Mr. Badeaux, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board approved a family and medical leave in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.4a) for Ms. Kimi Gautreaux, school food service technician at Lacache Middle School, beginning January 17, 2006, through April 13, 2006.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board approved a family and medical leave in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.4a) for Ms. Diane Pellegrin, school food service technician at Schriever Elementary School, beginning February 8, 2006, through May 15, 2006.

Motion of Mr. Pitre, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board approved a family and medical leave in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.4a) for Ms. Emelda Williams, school bus driver in the Transportation Department, on an intermittent basis during the remainder of the 2005-2006 school session, beginning February 1, 2006, for the purpose of caring for her critically ill sister.

Motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. DeHart, unanimously carried, the Board approved a leave of absence without pay in accordance with Policy (FILE: F-11.10) for Ms. Roslyn Calloway, school bus driver in the Transportation Department, beginning January 4, 2006, through January 3, 2007.

Motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Purchasing Department to advertise for bids on materials and supplies for teaching for the 2006-2007 school session.

Motion of Mr. DeHart, seconded by Mr. Jackson, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Purchasing Department to advertise for bids on hunting and trapping privileges on all available Section 16 Lands.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Thomas, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Purchasing Department to advertise for bids on large kitchen equipment for the Child Nutrition Department.

Ms. Monica Walther, Supervisor of Child Nutrition, addressed the Board regarding the foregoing motion.

Mr. Pitre addressed the Board regarding "Matter Bearing on Smoking Ban in Public Schools and School Board Property."

Motion of Mr. Pitre, seconded by Mr. Jackson, with the exception of Mr. Badeaux who objected, the Board referred the issue regarding smoking ban in public schools and

School Board property to the Education and Policy Committee for further review and consideration.

Motion of Mr. Duplantis, seconded by Mr. Bordelon, unanimously carried, the Board waived Policy (FILE: B-12.2 – Agenda) and rescheduled the agenda deadline (due to Mardi Gras Holidays) for the March 7, 2006, School Board meeting from noon Wednesday, March 1, 2006, to noon Friday, February 24, 2006.

Motion of Mr. Bordelon, seconded by Mr. Duplantis, unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn its meeting **(8:55 P.M.)**.

/s/ Ed Richard, Jr., Secretary

/s/ Clark J. Bonvillain, President

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