

The St. Landry Parish School Board was called to order by the President and convened in regular session on, Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in the Office of the Board, Supplementary Resource Center, Opelousas, Louisiana. A roll call was taken and in attendance were the following members: Mrs. Hazel Sias, Ms. Mary Ellen Donatto, Mrs. Candy Gerace, Anthony Standberry, Charles Ross, Milton Ambres, Donnie Perron, Kyle Boss, Huey Wyble, Raymond Cassimere, Roger Young, Albert Hayes, and Randy Wagley. Mr. Bob Hammonds, attorney for the board was also in attendance.

Mr. Charles Ross offered a prayer and thereafter the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Item #5:

Upon motion of the entire membership of the Board, the following resolution of sympathies were adopted.

- *Francis Frank, Jr., Retired Teacher, Central Middle*
- *Joseph Thomas, husband of Sheila Thomas, Secretary at Southwest Elementary*
- *Lee Meyer, Sr. Assumption Parish School Board Member, LSBA Past State President and 2018 LSBA President-Elect*

Item #6:

President Wagley addressed the members of the audience and the Board.

Item #7 – Presentations and Recognitions:

Superintendent Jenkins presented Above and Beyond Awards to Ms. Billie Cortez from Palmetto Elementary and Mrs. Ashley Marks from Grolee Elementary. Both employees were nominated for this award by their school principals.

Superintendent Jenkins presented an Award of Appreciation to Mr. Tyrone Glover for his contribution to the St. Landry Parish Schools.

The following students were awarded the Advanced Placement Scholars Award for their academic achievement of an Advanced Placement score of three or higher for the 2016 – 2017 school year.

Eunice High School:

English, Language and Comp - Victoria Ardoin, Madison Cormier, William McLemore, Caroline Mire, Vivian Mire
U.S. History - William McLemore, Caroline Mire, and Matthew Myers

MACA:

English, Literature and Comp - Ashley Grayson, Sierra Hernandez, James Knight, Victoria Latiolais, Jodi Ortego,
Elijah Robert

Northwest High School:

English, Literature and Comp - Maggie Adams, Cameron Camardelle, Alexis LeCompte, August Pitre, Cody Russell
Biology – Alexia Rubin

Opelousas High School:

Physics I – Olivia Adams
Biology – Aaron Jackson, Abigail Lahaye, Aharf Swati
U.S. History – Aharf Swati

Port Barre High School:

Conner Crow – English Literature and Comp and Psychology

Item #8:

Superintendent Jenkins addressed the board and audience.

Item #9:

Upon motion by Mr. Ambres, seconded by Mr. Ross, and carried with no objections, the following meeting minutes were approved.

- a. Regular board meeting held on September 7, 2017
- b. Special board meeting held on September 25, 2017
- c. Executive committee meeting held on September 25, 2017

- d. BLS committee meeting held on September 25, 2017
- e. Finance committee meeting held on September 25, 2017
- f. Academic committee meeting held on September 26, 2017
- g. Personnel committee meeting held on September 26, 2017

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Executive Committee of the St. Landry Parish School Board met on September 25, 2017 at 4:30 P.M. in the Office of the Board, 1013 Creswell Lane, Opelousas, Louisiana. In attendance were the following members: Mrs. Candy Gerace, Messrs. Huey Wyble, Kyle Boss, and Randy Wagley. Additional members in attendance were: Milton Ambres, Raymond Cassimere, Charles Ross, Anthony Standberry, Albert Hayes, Hazel Sias, Mary Donatto, Donnie Perron, and Roger Young.

A prayer was offered by Charles Ross and thereafter the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Wagley then called the meeting to order.

Item #5: Mr. Jerome Robinson presented the following policies for review only:

- Administration of Medication (JGCD)
- Corporal Punishment (JDA)
- Student Fees, Fines and Charges (JS)
- Visitors to Schools (KM)

Upon motion of Mr. Boss, seconded by Mrs. Gerace, and carried with no objections, an item was added to the agenda which was a presentation/overview of the OHS Biomed Academy.

Added

Item #6-A: Mrs. Gina Readore gave a presentation to the committee with regard to the Biomed Academy at Opelousas Sr. High School. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #6: Upon motion of Mrs. Gerace, seconded by Mr. Wyble, and carried with no objections, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

BUILDINGS, LANDS & SITES COMMITTEE REPORT

The Buildings, Lands and Sites Committee met on September 25, 2017 at 6:05 p.m. in the Office of the Board, 1013 Creswell Lane, Opelousas, Louisiana.

In attendance were the following committee members: Candy Gerace, Anthony Standberry, Donnie Perron, Raymond Cassimere, and Mary Donatto. Additional Board Members in attendance were: ilton Ambres, Kyle Boss, Albert Hayes, Hazel Sias, and Randy Wagley.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Donatto.

Item #3: Mr. Marco Gonzalez with Volkert gave a presentation to the committee with regard to facility assessment. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #4: This item will be discussed at the October BLS Committee Meeting.

Item #5: Mr. Joseph Cassimere gave an update regarding the board owned property in Sunset. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #6: Mr. Joseph Cassimere updated the committee on the restoration project at Plaisance Elementary. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #7: The following items will be presented for approval on the lowest bids received at the October 5, 2017 board meeting.

- i. Roofing project on the Cafeteria at Eunice Elementary
- ii. Roofing project on the Cafeteria at Central Middle
- iii. Roofing project on the Resource Classroom at Glendale Elementary
- iv. Roofing project on the back section of the gym at Port Barre High
- v. Roofing project on the restrooms at Lawtell Elementary

Item #8: With no further business pending before the Committee, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:55 p.m. by motion of Mr. Perron and seconded by Mrs. Sias.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on September 25, 2017 at 6:55 p.m. in the Office of the Board, 1013 Creswell Lane, Opelousas, LA.

Committee Members present were: Candy Gerace, Hazel Sias, Donnie Perron, Kyle Boss, Albert Hayes, and Raymond Cassimere. Additional board members in attendance were Milton Ambres, Mary Donatto, Anthony Standberry, and Randy Wagley.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Raymond Cassimere.

Item #3: Mrs. Tressa Miller reviewed the June 2017 payroll report and August 2017 payroll report. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #4: There being no further business before the Finance Committee for discussion, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:07 P.M. by motion of Mr. Perron and seconded by Mr. Boss.

ACADEMIC, INSTRUCTIONAL, AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Academic, Instructional and Federal Programs Committee was held on September 26, 2017 at 4:00 P.M. in the Office of the Board, 1013 Creswell Lane, Opelousas, Louisiana. In attendance were the following committee members: Mary Donatto, Hazel Sias, Charles Ross, and Milton Ambres. Roger Young was absent. Additional board members in attendance were: Donnie Perron and Anthony Standberry.

Mrs. Sias called the meeting to order.

A prayer was led by Mr. Charles Ross and thereafter the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Item #5: Mrs. Gina Readore gave an overview of the Bio-Medical Program at Opelousas High School at the September 25, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting.

Item #6: Dr. Therese Ellender gave a presentation to the committee with regard to the upcoming Career Futures Expo. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #7: Dr. Therese Ellender gave a presentation with regard to the JAG Program. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #8: Mr. Spencer Arnaud gave an overview to the committee with regard to the English Language Arts Guidebook 2.0. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #9: Mrs. Angela Cassimere gave a summary presentation with regard to the Achievement Network (ANET). This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #10: Mrs. Angela Cassimere gave a presentation with regard to the 2017 – 2018 instructional specialists. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #11: Mrs. Angela Cassimere gave a presentation with regard to the Post-Secondary Carousel scheduled for October 11, 2017. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #12: Mrs. Angela Cassimere gave a presentation with regard to the Wonder – Book donation. This item was presented for informational purposes only.

Item #13: With no further business before the Academic, Instructional and Federal Programs Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m. by motion of Mr. Ambres and seconded by Mr. Ross.

**PERSONNEL, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Personnel, Employee Benefits, and Transportation Committee of the St. Landry Parish School Board met on **Tuesday, September 26, 2017**, at 6:00 p.m., in the office of the Board on Creswell Lane, Opelousas, Louisiana.

Committee Members present were Messrs. Anthony Standberry, Milton Ambres, and Charles Ross. Absent were Albert Hayes and Roger Young. Other board members present were Ms. Mary Ellen Donatto and Mrs. Hazel Sias, Messrs. Raymond Cassimere and Donnie Perron. Staff members present included Superintendent Patrick Jenkins, Assistant Superintendent Joseph Cassimere, Angela Cassimere, Mary Doucet, Tressa Miller, and Matthew Scruggins.

Mr. Standberry called the meeting to order.

ITEM NO. 1 **Personnel Appointments, Transfers, Leaves, Resignations, Retirements, and/or Positions Available** made by the Superintendent, pursuant to Act I of the 2012 Legislative Session, were presented to the committee. No action required.

With no further business for discussion, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:15 p.m. upon motion of Mr. Ambres, seconded by Mr. Ross.

Item #10:

Action Items:

a. BLS Committee Recommendations:

- i. Upon motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Ms. Donatto, and carried with no objections, the full Board approved to accept the lowest bid received from Advanced Metal Construction in the amount of \$31,600 for the roofing project on the cafeteria at Central Middle.
- ii. Upon motion of Mr. Ambres, seconded by Ms. Donatto, and carried with no objections, the full Board approved to accept the lowest bid received from Advanced Metal Construction in the amount of \$8,100 for the roofing project on the resource classroom at Glendale Elementary.
- iii. Upon motion of Mr. Wyble, seconded by Mr. Cassimere, and carried with no objections, the full Board approved to accept the lowest bid received from Advanced Metal Construction in the amount of \$8,100 for the roofing project on the back section of the gym at Port Barre High School.
- iv. Upon motion of Mrs. Sias, seconded by Mr. Young, and carried with no objections, the full Board approved to accept the lowest bid received from Advanced Metal Construction in the amount of \$17,480 for the roofing project on the restrooms at Lawtell Elementary.

Item #11:

Upon motion of Mr. Wyble, seconded by Mrs. Gerace, and carried with no objections, the Board went into executive session at 4:40 p.m.

Upon motion of Mr. Cassimere, seconded by Mr. Ambres, and carried with no objections, the Board returned to regular session at 5:04 p.m.

Upon motion of Mr. Ambres, seconded by Mr. Cassimere, and carried with no objections, the full Board approved the recommendation of the board attorney as it related to litigation entitled "*Valarie Robin v. Ace American Ins. Co., et al, Docket No: 15-C-0822-B, 27th JDC.*

Item #12:

With there being no further business pending before the board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 5:18 p.m. by motion of Mr. Cassimere and seconded by Mrs. Gerace.

Mr. Randy Wagley, Board President

ATTEST: Mr. Patrick D. Jenkins, Superintendent

LISTED BELOW ARE PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS, TRANSFERS, LEAVES, RESIGNATIONS, RETIREMENTS AND/OR POSITIONS AVAILABLE MADE BY THE SUPERINTENDENT PURSUANT TO ACT I OF THE 2012 LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

APPOINTMENTS (*Denotes New Employee)

BROWN, ERIKA – Title 1 Instructional Paraprofessional – Eunice Elementary *

CANE, CHRISTOPHER – Sp. Ed. Instructional Paraprofessional – Opelousas Jr. High *

BROUSSARD, LEONARD – Board Owned Bus Driver - North Elementary *

CHACHERE, RYAN – Board Owned Bus Driver - Cankton Elementary

JACKSON, GLENDA – Board Owned Bus Driver – MACA *

PITCHER, TANYA – Board Owned Bus Driver – Palmetto Elementary *

SAVOY, JENNIFER – Board Owned Bus Driver – Northeast Elementary *

SMITH, PETER, III – Board Owned Bus Driver – Grand Coteau Elementary *

VALMONT, HELEN – Board Owned Bus Driver - Opelousas Jr. High*

BALKENHOL, JAMES – Elementary Teacher – Park Vista Elementary *

BIRON, ANN – Elementary Teacher – Eunice Elementary *

BRADLEY, PORSHA – Sp. Ed. Teacher – Opelousas High *

CHARLOT, CHRISTOPHER – Sp. Ed. Teacher – Beau Chene High *

CYPRIANO, SOMMER – Elementary Teacher – Sunset Elementary *

DUNBAR, ALLISON – Instructional Specialist – Park Vista Elementary *

GREEN BRYAN – Elementary Teacher – Opelousas Jr. High *

HUVAL, MARY – Sp. Ed. Teacher – Plaisance Elementary *

LAZARE, SAMMY – High School Teacher – North Central *

LITTLE, MAUREEN – High School Teacher – Washington Career & Technical Ed. Center *

MOULTON, SUSAN – High School Teacher – Northwest High *

PITRE, WILLIAM – High School Teacher – Port Barre High – effective September 25, 2017 *

ROBERTS, KRISTY – Sp. Ed. Teacher – Sunset Elementary *

SHELVIN, MARY – Elementary Teacher – Opelousas Jr. High *

THOMAS, DIONNE – Elementary Teacher – Sunset Elementary*

TRANSFERS

WYATT, KENDI – KN Teacher – from Port Barre Elementary to Northeast Elementary

LEAVES

Sabbatical Leaves (Medical)

CASTAIN, VARNESSE – Sp. Ed. Teacher – Opelousas Jr. High – effective for the fall semester of the 2017-2018 school year

FONTENOT, PATRICIA – Sp. Ed. Teacher – Cankton Elementary – effective for the fall semester of the 2017-2018 school session

Maternity Leaves

LUDEAU, ERIN – Speech Therapist – Grolee Elementary – effective September 7, 2017

THIBODEAUX, MINDY – Teacher – Grand Prairie Elementary – effective August 21, 2017

RESIGNATIONS

ARTIGUE, BETTY – Teacher – Palmetto Elementary – effective August 3, 2017

BERGERON, APRIL – Teacher – Krotz Springs Elementary – effective August 31, 2017

BERGERON, JO – Sp. Ed. Teacher – Park Vista Elementary – effective August 3, 2017

CHARLOT, CHRISTOPHER – resigning as Sp. Ed. Instructional Paraprofessional **ONLY**, effective August 3, 2017, in order to accept a Teaching position at Beau Chene High – effective August 3, 2017

MATTE, JAMES – Teacher – Plaisance Elementary – effective September 23, 2017

MECHE, ABAGAIL – Teacher – Sunset Elementary – effective September 23, 2017

PICKNEY, RYAN – Custodian – Arnaudville Elementary – effective September 1, 2017

QUEBEDEAUX, BRITTANY – Teacher – Beau Chene High – effective September 19, 2017

ROY, NEKITHA – Teacher – Southwest Elementary – effective September 2, 2017

RYDER, STEVEN (SR) – Custodian – Port Barre High – effective October 2, 2017

RETIREMENTS

ORTEGO, MARCIA – Teacher – Central Middle – effective September 12, 2017

SONNIER, JOSEPH G. – Principal – Port Barre Elementary – effective September 25, 2017