



**CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
January 15, 2013**

**MINUTES**

The City of Baker School Board met in the Board Room of the School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on January 15, 2013. Mrs. Shona Boxie, Board President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken:

WATSON:	Present
ALEXANDER:	Present
BOXIE:	Present
CARPENTER:	Present
DAVIS:	Present

A moment of silent meditation was led by Dr. Carpenter, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Alexander. Mrs. Boxie welcomed all visitors to the meeting.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve the agenda with the deletion of Item # 9: Recognition of Park Ridge Academic Magnet School as a Top Gain School, until a later meeting. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meeting of January 8, 2013, with the following correction: Under "Superintendent's Remarks," # 1: "The Baker High School girls' basketball team is currently ranked # 1." Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

The Board recognized the winners of the District science fair competition and presented them with certificates:

First Grade

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Trenese Miller, Baker Heights Elementary School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: T'Liya Gray, Baker Heights Elementary School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Triston Griffin, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School

Second Grade

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Matthew Walker, Baker Heights Elementary School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Coby Guillory, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Sanaa Jackson, Baker Heights Elementary School

Third Grade

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jermireya Bradford, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Skylar Preston, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Kobie Parker, Baker Heights Elementary School

Fourth Grade

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Raven Butler, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jalyn Forsythe, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Shirlana Carter, Baker Heights Elementary School

Fifth Grade

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Maurice Powe, Baker Heights Elementary School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Taylor Horn, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Zane Bryant, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School

Ms. Lindsay Turner, Community Representative with the Greater Baton Rouge Cancer Society, addressed the Board on this year's "Relay for Life" scheduled for April 19, 2013, at the BREC Park in Zachary.

Mr. Freddie Smith, with the accounting firm of Postlethwaite & Netterville, provided an overview of the 2012 audit results for the School System:

1. Unqualified opinion on financial statements
2. Internal control deficiencies identified
3. Unqualified opinion on compliance for federal programs audited as major programs: child nutrition cluster, education jobs, special education (IDEA Part B) cluster, Title I cluster
4. No exceptions to the data reported in the performance and statistical data.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve the City of Baker School System Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2012, as prepared by Postlethwaite & Netterville. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Carpenter and Watson. Voting no: None.

Mrs. Davis thanked Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Business Manager, and her finance staff for the good work done.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve a change order to Postlethwaite & Netterville in the amount of \$10,000.00, for additional audit services rendered. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None. Abstaining: Alexander.

Mr. Clay Slagle, Program Manager with Volkert, Inc., presented a condensed overview of the "Facility Assessment and Capital Improvement Plan for Baker High School" as prepared by Volkert, Inc.

Superintendent Joseph made the following announcement:

1. With regard to the school system facilities: rain has delayed the work being done on the parking lots, the HVAC systems at all schools need work done on them, and roofs need to be replaced.

Mrs. Boxie thanked those in attendance for coming and announced that the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Board Office.

There being no further business, on motion of Ms. Watson seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Ulysses Joseph, Secretary.