



CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING September 3, 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 September 3, 2013.

Mrs. Shona Boxie, Board President, called the public hearing to order and explained the purpose of the public hearing was to consider approval of the City of Baker School Board proposed Operating Budget for 2013-2014.

Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Business Manager, provided an overview of the proposed operating budget. Superintendent Joseph informed the Board that also included in the budget was \$187,000.00 from the state through House Bill 1, to be allocated for teacher pay raises. He recommended that teachers be given a \$1,000.00 supplement and support staff be given a \$500.00 supplement in November.

Mrs. Boxie then opened the floor for comments and questions from the public. As there were no comments, Mrs. Boxie declared the public hearing adjourned.

Mrs. Boxie called the public meeting to order, and took a roll call:

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

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

Mrs. Boxie asked that the agenda be amended to include the following as Agenda Item # 9: "Approval for the Baker High School Band to Participate in the Port City Battle of the Bands on September 29, 2013, in Mobile, Alabama".

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Ms. Watson, the Board voted to approve the amended agenda. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

The Board recognized the following persons with Certificates of Appreciation for volunteer work done at Park Ridge Academic Magnet School on August 17, 2013, to restore the playground:

- Bishop R. Scott Baird and the volunteers of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
- Mr. Ruben Clark
- Mr. George Brown and Baker Hardware and Rental
- Mr. Doug Odendahl and Brittany's Seafood

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the City of Baker School Board Operating Budget for 2013-2014. 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 August 6, 2013. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve the Superintendent's Personnel Appointments. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve a contract with Barbara Dunbar to organize, coordinate and manage all aspects of the City of Baker School System's teacher induction program -- STEP (Supporting Teachers for Effective Performance) for the 2013-2014 school year. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Ms. Watson, the Board voted to approve a Letter of Agreement for 2013-2014 membership in the Louisiana Resource Center for Educators (LRCE). Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter the Board voted to approve Baker Middle School's campus-wide trip to Disney World in Orlando, Florida in support of their Positive Behavior and Intervention Support (PBIS) Program during Spring Break (April 18-25, 2014), and that the names of all students who will be going on the trip be given to Superintendent Joseph one (1) month prior to the trip. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter and Davis. Voting no: Watson. Abstaining: Alexander.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Ms. Watson, the Board voted to approve a request by the Baker High School Band to travel to Mobile, Alabama on September 29, 2013, to participate in the Port City Battle of the Bands. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

Superintendent Joseph made the following announcements:

1. Capital Area Human Services has approved his request for an additional social worker to be housed at Bakerfield Elementary School.
2. There will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Baker High School on Friday, September 6th, at 11:00 am. for the new football stadium. Everyone is invited to attend.

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, October 1, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Board Office.

There being no further business, on motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Ulysses Joseph, Secretary.