

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2006

5:00 P.M.

The East Baton Rouge Parish School Board met at the School Board Office at 1050 South Foster Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 5:00 p.m. on this the sixteenth day of March, 2006 in regular-session convened. The President called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mrs. Patricia H. Smith, President; Mr. Noel Hammatt, Vice-President; Mr. William P. "Bill" Black; Mr. Dalton "Jay" Devall; Ms. Jill Dyason; Mr. G. "Jerry" Thomas Arbour; Mrs. Ingrid Kelley; Mr. Roger Moser; Mr. Warren Pratt; Mr. Darryl L. Robertson; Mr. Tarvald A. Smith and Dr. C. H. Thornton, Jr..

Others present were: Mrs. Charlotte Placide, Superintendent; Ms. Catherine Fletcher, Chief Business Operations Officer; Ms. Angela Lee, Special Assistant to the Superintendent; Mr. Herman Brister, Associate Superintendent for Instructional Support Services; Ms. Gail Johnson, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services; Mr. Richard Capps, Administrative Director of Federal Programs; Mr. John McCann, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area III; Ms. Paula Johnson, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area IV; Ms. Paula Fabre, Director of Equal Educational Opportunities; Ms. Liz Duran Swinford, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources; Mr. Carlos Sam, Director of Magnet Programs; Dr. Jennifer Baird, Assistant Superintendent of Accountability and Assessment; Mr. Jesse Noble, Chief Technology Officer; Mr. Lee Dixon, Director of Exceptional Student Services; and Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel.

Mr. Warren Pratt gave the invocation.

**Approval of School Board
Minutes of February 16 (Regular
Meeting) and February 21
(Special Meeting), 2006**

By Mr. Arbour

Resolved, That, the reading of the minutes of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board Meeting of February 16 (Regular Meeting) and February 21 (Special Meeting), 2006 be dispensed with, and that they be approved as published in the Official Journal.

Seconded by Mr. Smith and Mr. Pratt

Comments were requested from the audience and from the Board. No comments were forthcoming and therefore the minutes were accepted and declared to be approved.

**Approval of Personnel
Changes Since School
Board Meeting of
February 16, 2006**

By Mr. Arbour

Resolved, That, the changes in personnel since the School Board Meeting of February 16, 2006, be, and they are, hereby approved. **(A copy of the Changes has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Mr. Moser

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

**Approval of
Consent Agenda
Items**

By Mr. Pratt

Resolved, That, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the Consent Agenda items.

Seconded by Mr. Devall and Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of all the members.

The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

**Acceptance of Recommendation
From Legal Counsel**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the School Operations Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept legal counsel's recommendation regarding the following case: Debra Harmon v. East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, OWC Docket No. 05-01104, District "5." **(Information regarding this item is attached to the School Operations Committee Minutes of March 1, 2006.)**

**Acceptance of Recommendation
From Legal Counsel**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the School Operations Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept legal counsel's recommendation regarding the following case: Meriget and David Voss, Individually and on Behalf of Their Minor Children, Neal Voss and Rachel Voss v. Chery Sip, East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, Coregis Insurance of Louisiana and Farm Bureau Insurance Company, Suit No. 514,664, Section "25," 19th JDC. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the School Operations Committee Minutes of March 1, 2006.)**

**Authorization to Advertise,
Accept Low Bid Meeting Specifications
and Award Contract**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the School Operations Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby authorize staff to advertise,

accept the low bids meeting specifications and make the award of a contract for the Gymnasium Floor Repair and Bleacher Replacement at Glen Oaks High School Project, funded from the Maintenance Reserve Account, or reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law; Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 38; Chapter 10. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the School Operations Committee Minutes of March 1, 2006.)**

Acceptance of Grants

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the following grants under \$50,000: 8(g) Louisiana Virtual School Grant, \$6,000; Adult Education State Funds Corrections Grant, \$13,469; National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) First Robotics Grant, \$15,000; Adult Education Federal Funds Corrections Grant, \$18,101; and Federal English Language/Civics Education Grant, \$46,419. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of March 6, 2006.)**

Acceptance of Grants

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the following grants in excess of \$50,000: AmeriCorps State Grant, \$213,626; Classroom Based Technology/Enhancing Education Through Technology Grant, \$911,955; Adult Education – Federal Supplemental Grant, \$50,076; Strategies to Empower People (STEP) Program (TANF) Grant, \$273,977; Adult Education – State Grant Program Grant, \$558,442 and Adult Education – Federal Funds Grant, \$707,070. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of March 6, 2006.)**

Approval of Summer Foreign Language Camp

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the

Summer Foreign Language Camp to be held at South Boulevard Foreign Language Academic Immersion Magnet (FLAIM) School. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of March 6, 2006.)**

**Approval of 2005-2006 EBRPS
Adult and Continuing Education
Department Budget**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the 2005-2006 East Baton Rouge Parish Adult and Continuing Education Department Budget. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of March 6, 2006.)**

**Approval of LA4TANF/Starting
Points 2005-2006 Budget**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Finance Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the LA4 TANF/Starting Points 2005-2006 Budget. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Finance Committee Minutes of March 8, 2006.)**

**Approval of Revised 8(g)
2005-2006 Budget**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Finance Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the revised 8(g) 2005-2006 Budget. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Finance Committee Minutes of March 8, 2006.)**

Approval of NCLBA Title III

Student Influx 2005-2006
Budget

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Finance Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the NCLBA Title III Student Influx 2005-2006 Budget. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Finance Committee Minutes of March 8, 2006.)**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

There being no further business, the Board adjourned by acclamation.

Charlotte D. Placide
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board