

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 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 nineteenth day of October, 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. 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.. Mr. William P. "Bill" Black was absent.

Others present were: Mrs. Charlotte D. Placide, Superintendent; Mr. Robert Stockwell, Chief Academic Officer; Ms. Catherine Fletcher, Chief Business Operations Officer; Mr. James Crochet, Chief Financial 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; Dr. Maria Pitre, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area II; Mr. John McCann, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Area III; Mr. Carlos Sam, Director of Magnet Programs; Dr. Jennifer Baird, Assistant Superintendent of Accountability and Assessment; Mr. Jesse Noble, Chief Technology Officer; and Mr. Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel.

Pastor Jason Laird, Healing Place Church, gave the invocation.

Approval of School Board
Minutes of September 21, 2006

By Mr. Smith

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

Seconded by Mr. Arbour

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
September 21, 2006**

By Mr. Hammatt

Resolved, That, the changes in personnel since the School Board Meeting of September 21, 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 and Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Black was absent.)

**Adoption of Resolution
Proclaiming a Partnership
Between EBRPSS and
Children's Coalition**

By Mr. Hammatt

Resolved, That, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming a Partnership Between the East Baton Rouge Parish School System and the Children's Coalition of Baton Rouge. **(A copy of the Resolution has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Mr. Arbour and Mrs. Kelley

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Black and Ms. Dyason were absent.)

Adoption of Resolution
Proclaiming the Month
of October, 2006 as
I CARE "Red Ribbon Month"

By Dr. Thornton

Resolved, That, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming October, 2006 as I CARE "Red Ribbon Month." **(A copy of the Resolution has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Mr. Devall and Ms. Dyason

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Black was absent.)

Adoption of Resolution
Proclaiming October
16-22, 2006, as National
School Bus Safety Week

By Mrs. Kelley

Resolved, That, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt a resolution proclaiming October 16-22, 2006, as National School Bus Safety Week. **(A copy of the Resolution has been marked "Official Copy" and placed in the files of the Board.)**

Seconded by Mr. Arbour and Mr. Smith

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Black was absent.)

**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. Smith

Unanimously adopted by a vote of the members present. (Mr. Black was absent.)

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

Approval of Teacher Stipend

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Personnel Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve a teacher stipend as it relates to the Engineering Professions Advisory Council. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Personnel Services Committee Minutes of October 3, 2006.)**

**Approval of Revised Job
Descriptions**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Personnel Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the following revised job descriptions: Internal Auditor, School Accounts Auditor, and School Accounts Specialist. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Personnel Services Committee Minutes of October 3, 2006.)**

Approval of Revised Job Descriptions

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Personnel Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the following revised job descriptions: Graphic Arts Supervisor, Graphic Arts Production Assistant, Graphic Designer, and Press/Reprographics Operator. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Personnel Services Committee Minutes of October 3, 2006.)**

Acceptance of Recommendation From General Counsel

Resolved, That, as recommended by the School Operations Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept General Counsel's recommendation regarding the following case: Wendy Vosburg and Christopher Vosburg vs. Dana Yarnell Edwards, East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and Coregis Insurance Company, Suit No.: 500094, Division "F," 19th JDC. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the School Operations Committee Minutes of October 4, 2006.)**

Acceptance of Recommendation From General Counsel

Resolved, That, as recommended by the School Operations Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept General Counsel's recommendation regarding the following case: John Williams, et al v. East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, et al, Docket No. 523,445, Sect. "23," 19th JDC. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the School Operations Committee Minutes of October 4, 2006.)**

Acceptance of Grant

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the Jordan Fundamentals Grant, \$2,500.00. **(Information regarding this item is**

attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of October 5, 2006.)

Acceptance of Grant

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the LINCS – 8(g) Grant, \$77,254.00. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of October 5, 2006.)**

Approval of 2006-2007 Radio Training Program Budget

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the 2006-2007 Radio Training Program budget for Baton Rouge Magnet High School. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of October 3, 2006.)**

Approval of Contract for EBRPSB to Provide Adult Education Classes for Inmates in EBRP Prison

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the \$89,820.00 contract between the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and the EBR City Parish to provide adult education classes for inmates at the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Instructional/Pupil Services Committee Minutes of October 3, 2006.)**

**Approval of Proposed
GEAR UP LSU Budget**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Finance Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby approve the proposed GEAR UP LSU Budget for the East Baton Rouge Parish School System. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Finance Committee Minutes of October 11, 2006.)**

**Acceptance of the Actual 2005-2006
Semi-Annual Financial Tax Plan and
Approval of Proposed 2006-2007
Tax Plan Budgets**

Resolved, That, as recommended by the Finance Committee, the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby accept the Actual 2005-2006 Semi-Annual Financial Tax Plan Update and approval of the Proposed 2006-2007 Tax Plan Budgets for Propositions 1, 2, and 3. **(Information regarding this item is attached to the Finance Committee Minutes of October 11, 2006.)**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

**Review of Superintendent's
Recommendation for Expulsion
Of Five Students**

The President asked the Board members to indicate whether or not they had the opportunity to review the case of the student at Glen Oaks Middle School, Woodlawn Middle School, Scotlandville Magnet High School, Tara High School and Glen Oaks High School. Upon affirmation by the Members, the President inquired as to whether or not any Member wished to request a hearing of the cases.

A request was made by Dr. Thornton to schedule a hearing before the Board at the next regularly-scheduled School Board meeting as it relates to a student at Glen Oaks Middle School and Glen Oaks High School.

A request was made by Mr. Robertson to schedule a hearing before the Board at the next regularly-scheduled School Board meeting as it relates to a student at Tara High School.

Since there was no request to schedule a hearing before the Board, the Superintendent's recommendation regarding the expulsion of the Student at Scotlandville Magnet High School stands.

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

**Charlotte D. Placide
Secretary/Treasurer to the Board**