

**PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR MEETING OF  
NATCHITOCHE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
MEETING ON AUGUST 4, 2016**

A regular meeting of the Natchitoches Parish School Board was held on Thursday, August 4, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Natchitoches Parish School Board Office, 310 Royal Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana, and upon roll call, the following members and Dale Skinner, Secretary-Treasurer, were present: Eugene Garner, Carroll Daniels, Joella Collins, Russell Danzy, Emile Metoyer, Steven Harris, Thomas Melder, Rhonda Guidroz and Ralph Wilson. Absent were Harry Graham and Michael Hilton. The meeting was called to order by President Ralph Wilson, followed by an invocation by Mr. Daniels and Pledge of Allegiance Mr. Wilson.

At Tuesday's Committee Meeting, Superintendent Skinner gave an update of the progress being made at Provençal and Magnet. Ms. Rose Largent was recognized as the 2015-2016 Bus Driver of the Year. Mr. Jason Edwards presented Ms. Largent with a monogrammed jacket and certificate. Board members who attended the Southern Region Leadership Conference gave an update on the information they received July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 2<sup>nd</sup> while at the conference. Director of Transportation, Jason Edwards gave an update on the total number of new drivers and discussed with the board how traffic would possibly be handled near the area of the Magnet school. Mr. Solomon presented the board with the tax commission report and the consolidated school board budget. The usage of the old Magnet school location was also discussed among board members. Mrs. Page gave an update regarding the thirty-seven new experienced teachers who were hired for the beginning of this school year.

At Thursday's meeting, under the Superintendent report, there was a presentation from LAE Representative Debbie Mayeaux. Mrs. Laura McClain gave an update on new teacher orientation, preliminary scores and the Rapides Foundation.

Mr. Harris made the motion to accept the consent agenda with the exception of letter "I". The motion was seconded by Mr. Danzy. All members present accepted the motion and the second. Mr. Metoyer abstained from letter "Y" on the personnel report. The motion passed.

1. *Adoption of Agenda.*
2. *Approval of Minutes of July 14, 2016*
3. **FINANCE ITEMS**
  - A. *Payment of Bills:*
  - B. *Out of State Travel:*
  - C. *School Bus Routes Changes:*
  - D. *Purchase of Buses:*
  - E. *Advertisements:*

*Permission to advertise for bids:*
  - F. *Resignations:*
  - G. *Retirements:*
  - H. *Requests for Leave:*
  - I. *Termination:*

Mr. Danzy presented the Finance Report. There were no bids to take action on during the meeting. The transportation and tax commission reports were given on Tuesday. Mr. Solomon gave an update on the consolidated school board budget for 2016-2017.

Mrs. Page presented the board with an update on personnel in the parish.

Mr. Daniels presented the Executive Report. The discussion regarding test scores from the Magnet School returning to the domicile schools was delayed until after the start of the school year.

On motion of Mrs. Collins and seconded by Mr. Melder, the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

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DALE SKINNER, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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RALPH WILSON, PRESIDENT