

**PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR MEETING OF  
NATCHITOCHE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
MEETING ON MARCH 7, 2018**

A public meeting was held at the Natchitoches Parish School Board on March 7, 2018, 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, Katrina Willis, Harry Graham, Russell Danzy, Michael Hilton, Emile Metoyer, Steven Harris, Thomas Melder, Rhonda Guidroz, and Ralph Wilson. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Michael Hilton, followed by an invocation by Mr. Thomas Melder and Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Russell Danzy.

At Tuesday's Committee Meeting, Superintendent Skinner informed the board that a meeting was scheduled for next Tuesday with the Principals in the parish for and Active Shooter Training. Representatives from ECCO Ride and DS Busline presented information on their bus services to the board.

During the Superintendent's Report, Superintendent Skinner spoke of the update regarding the reorganization of the school for the upcoming school year. The reorganization update would be: Pre-K thru 1<sup>st</sup> grade at Weaver, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade thru 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Parks, 5<sup>th</sup> grade thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade at L. P. Vaughn and 7<sup>th</sup> grade thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Natchitoches Junior High. The infant and toddler program would remain at L. P. Vaughn. Mr. Garner made the motion to add the reorganization update to the agenda for a vote. The motion was seconded by Mr. Melder. The following votes were cast upon roll call. YEAS: Eugene Garner, Carroll Daniels, Katrina Willis, Harry Graham, Russell Danzy, Michael Hilton, Thomas Melder. NAYS: Emile Metoyer, Steven Harris, Rhonda Guidroz, Ralph Wilson. The motion failed to receive the two-thirds vote needed to be added to the agenda. Superintendent Skinner requested a Special Called Meeting for Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Danzy, seconded by Mr. Wilson, the following Consent Agenda items passed with unanimous approval from all members present:

1. *Adoption of Agenda.*
2. *Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2018*
3. **FINANCE ITEMS**
  - A. *Payment of Bills:*
  - B. *Out of State Travel:*
  - C. *School Bus Routes Changes:*
  - D. *Purchase of Buses:*
  - E. *Advertisements:*
    1. *Permission to advertise for bids:*
      - \*A. Timber Bids on Posey Road Tract
  - F. *Resignations:*
  - G. *Retirements:*
  - H. *Requests for Leave:*
  - I. *Termination:*

The Finance report was presented by Mr. Danzy. On motion of Mr. Danzy, seconded by Mr. Wilson and unanimous consent from all members, the board approved the budget update.

On motion of Mr. Danzy, seconded by Mr. Garner and unanimous consent from all members following a roll call, the board approved the compensation for back wages for the Superintendent.

The Executive Committee report was presented by Mr. Melder. On motion of Mr. Metoyer, seconded by Mr. Melder and unanimous consent from all members, the board approved an addendum to the Pupil Progression Plan.

On motion of Mr. Melder, seconded by Mr. Wilson and unanimous consent from all members, the board approved the 2018-2019 School Calendar for Natchitoches Parish Schools.

On motion of Mr. Melder, seconded by Mr. Wilson and unanimous consent from all members, the board approved the adoption of a resolution to support Louisiana State Association of School Personnel Administrators' resolution calling for the creation of a Task Force to address the shortage of certified teachers.

On motion of Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Garner and unanimous consent from all board members after roll call, the board approved granting permission to Mr. Skinner and Mr. Foshee to solicit bids for all Natchitoches Parish District 7 (Fairview, Goldonna, Lakeview).

On motion of Mr. Danzy, seconded by Mr. Harris and unanimous consent from all board members after roll call, the board approved a Memorandum of Understanding for approval for the School Empowerment Network to work with the Weaver Elementary campus for next year.

On motion of Mr. Danzy and seconded by Mr. Graham the meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

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DALE SKINNER, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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MICHAEL HILTON, PRESIDENT