

STUDENT SERVICES/DYSLEXIA COMMITTEE MINUTES
March 10, 2009

A meeting of the Student Services/Dyslexia Committee was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the School Board Meeting Room, Central Office, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, LA, with Chairman Sandra Bailey-Simmons presiding:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sonya Traylor

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Potts
Danny Ridgel, Ex-Officio

OTHERS: Rose Dominguez
Melissa Stilley
Ron Caruso
Danny Williams
Senator Ben Nevers

Ms. Bailey-Simmons opened the meeting welcoming everyone.

Senator Ben Nevers gave an update regarding the recently approved Dyslexia Bill and funding that would result from the bill. He stated he will set up a meeting with the state department in the next two (2) weeks for us to meet and talk about the funds and how we could use the funds.

Chief Academic Officer Melissa Stilley gave an update on current Dyslexia/504 student numbers, fund expenditures and progress the district is making in regards to reading.

Ms. Tammy Thibodeaux, parent, gave an overview and handouts from the Dyslexia Conference held at Nichols University on January 31, 2009.

Mr. Thomas Jarlock, Florida Parishes Juvenile Detention Center, gave an update on the learning disabled students at the facility, stating many students cannot read on grade level and the need to address this problem.

Hearing no objection, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Bailey-Simmons
Chairman