Tangipahoa Parish School System Minutes  
Tuesday, March 3, 2015

Members present  
Jay Kelly, Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Therese Domiano, Rose Dominguez, Brett K Duncan, Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

1. OPENING ITEMS

A. Pledge of Allegiance
Daniel Loving, a Hammond High Magnet School student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Patriotic Song
Students from Amite High School's Choir, led by Ms. Sharnwanike Cotton, sang "America" and Daniel Loving sang "The Star-Spangled Banner."

C. Roll Call

D. Consider approval of Board minutes of February 19, 2015
Recommend approval as presented.

Motion by Sandra Bailey-Simmons, second by Rose Dominguez.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jay Kelly, Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Therese Domiano, Rose Dominguez, Brett K Duncan, Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow

2. AWARDS/RECOGNITION

A. Recognize Mr. Gordon Burgess, Tangipahoa Parish President, for the presentation of Wal-Mart Funds
Mr. Gordon Burgess, Parish President, and Mr. David Vial, Parish Council Chairman, presented Wal-Mart funds to the Tangipahoa Parish School System in the amount of $18,920.00; to Champ Cooper Elementary School in the amount of $158,440.00 and to the 8th Ward Fire Department, Chief Nathan Sticker, in the amount of $89,120.00.

B. Recognize the recipient of the Enos "Jake" Bailey, Jr. Above and Beyond Award
Ms. Bailey-Simmons recognized Ms. Jamie Mixon, a teacher at D.C. Reeves Elementary School, as the recipient of the Enos "Jake" Bailey, Jr. Award.

3. PRESENTATION

A. Presentation and consideration of Veterans Resolution by Mr. Louis Joseph, Tangipahoa Parish Councilman District 3
Recommend approval
Motion by Andy Anderson, second by Mike Whitlow.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jay Kelly, Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Therese Domiano, Rose Dominguez, Brett K Duncan, Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow

Motion to add to Board agendas the following language next to the Pledge of Allegiance item; "All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute" and to further direct the Superintendent to send a memo directing the same at all school events

Motion by Sandra Bailey-Simmons, second by Andy Anderson.
Motion Carries
Yea: Jay Kelly, Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Therese Domiano, Rose Dominguez, Brett K Duncan, Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow

The adopted resolution is attached at the end of the archived Board minutes.

4. CONSIDER COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Personnel Committee - March 3, 2015

The Personnel Committee minutes are attached at the end of the archived Board Minutes.

Recommend approval

Motion by Sandra Bailey-Simmons, second by Rose Dominguez.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jay Kelly, Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Therese Domiano, Rose Dominguez, Brett K Duncan, Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow

5. OTHER BOARD ACTIONS

A. Update on the 2015 Louisiana School Boards Association Conference held in Shreveport, LA on February 22-24, 2015

Ms. Domiano gave a report on the conference. She stated the many topics discussed were school law, MFP funding, sustaining workforce in Louisiana for the future and that she really enjoyed the gubernatorial forum where all four candidates for governor attended and gave their views on public education. She stated all nine Board members were in attendance plus Superintendent Mark Kolwe and Board Secretary Cynthia Jenkins.

Motion to enter this into the minutes, thereby earning the mandated CLU hours as required by Louisiana Revised Statue 17:53, Act 705 for the year 2015.

Motion by Rose Dominguez, second by Sandra Bailey-Simmons.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jay Kelly, Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Therese Domiano, Rose Dominguez, Brett K Duncan, Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Consider approval of the 2015-16 School Calendar

Recommend approval of Option 2.

Motion by Rose Dominguez, second by Therese Domiano.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
B. Consider approval to adopt the Youth Art Month Proclamation

Ms. Denise Holly, Art teacher, presented a slide show of area School System's art students creating in their classroom. Dr. Daniel Williams, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, recognized all art teachers in the audience.

Recommend approval

Motion by Sandra Bailey-Simmons, second by Jay Kelly.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jay Kelly, Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Therese Domiano, Rose Dominguez, Brett K Duncan, Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow

The adopted proclamation is attached at the end of the archived Board minutes.

7. PUBLIC INPUT

A. Public Input

Ms. Amy Brumfield spoke in Public Input.

Mr. Alvon Brumfield spoke in Public Input.

8. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

A. Board Member Comments

Ms. Bailey-Simmons reminded everyone that the TARC Radiothon starts tomorrow morning at 7:30 a.m. and she encouraged everyone to come out and support this cause. She stated she went to a black history program at Hammond Westside Montessori School and it was amazing.

Ms. Domiano stated she enjoyed visiting and reading to the Midway Elementary School students.

Ms. McDaniel stated she enjoyed the patriotic program at Spring Creek Elementary School.

Mr. Duncan thanked Superintendent Kolwe for inviting John White, State Superintendent, State Representatives Chris Broadwater and Steve Pugh, fellow Board Member Mike Whitlow and himself to see how Hammond Eastside Elementary Magnet School was implementing the new state standards and that he was glad to be part of it.

9. LITIGATION

A. Consider the case of Joyce M. Moore vs. TPSB, USDC, Eastern District of Louisiana, No. 65-15556, Section B(1)

Mr. Duncan reported that Mr. Don Massey is continuing to tour schools with Superintendent Kolwe and there is another meeting with the negotiating attorneys from both sides later this week.

B. Consider the case of Timika Carter, obo her minor child, Justin Upshaw vs. Maurice Pierre and TPSB, 21st JDC, No. 2013-0002903, Division D

This item was pulled.
C. Consider the case of Lydia Sharp, et al vs. James Gibbs, Jr., et al, 21st JDC, No. 2008-0001661, Division A

This item was pulled.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. (7:07 PM)

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Mark Kolwe, Secretary-Treasurer                  Brett K. Duncan, Board President

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ATTACHMENTS:

Personnel Committee Minutes
Tuesday, March 3, 2015

Members present
Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Brett K Duncan

Others present
Gail McDaniel, Mike Whitlow, Rose Dominguez, Therese Domiano, Ron Genco, Bret Schnadelbach, Peter Tesvich

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM

A. SUPPORT - NEW HIRE

1. Consider approval of the recommendations for Support - New Hire

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Recommend approval

Motion by Sandra Bailey-Simmons, second by Andy Anderson.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Brett K Duncan

B. RETIREMENTS/RESIGNATIONS/LEAVES

1. Consider approval of the recommendations for Retirements / Resignations / Leaves
# ITEM B
## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RETIREMENTS/RESIGNATIONS/LEAVES

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Recommend approval

Motion by Andy Anderson, second by Sandra Bailey-Simmons.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Andy Anderson, Sandra Bailey-Simmons, Walter Daniels, Brett K Duncan

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, veterans have made significant military contributions to our Nation, states and parishes, both in and out of uniform; and

**WHEREAS**, veterans do not always receive the recognition they deserve for their contributions; and
WHEREAS, local government should take all steps to recognize the contributions of veterans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tangipahoa Parish School Board does urge and request all members of the Tangipahoa Parish School System to recognize all patriotic holidays honoring our veterans and military services, i.e. Memorial Day, Veterans Day, Purple Heart Recipient Day, Pearl Harbor Day, Flag Day, Armed Forces Day and Independence Day. The School Board also urges and requests Tangipahoa Parish School System employees to recognize any military organizations within their parishes for their social and economic contributions and to urge businesses, schools, churches, and other civic organizations to educate and advocate the importance of our veterans and military to their parishes, the State of Louisiana, and the United States of America.

This resolution was declared approved by the Tangipahoa Parish School Board on this 3rd day of February 2015.

Mark Kolwe, Superintendent       Brett K. Duncan, Board President

Youth Art Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary and secondary students including the following:

- Art education develops students' creative problem solving and critical thinking abilities;
- Art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order and other expressive qualities;
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- Art education gives students a deeper understanding of world cultures, values and beliefs;
- Art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and
- Art education integrates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism and aesthetics/philosophy, and

WHEREAS, our national and state leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including arts experiences in all students' education,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tangipahoa Parish School System supports art educators as they attempt to strengthen art education in their schools and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is proclaimed that March be observed as YOUTH ART MONTH in Tangipahoa Parish Schools. All citizens are urged to take interest in and give full support to quality school art programs for children and youth.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mark Kolwe, Superintendent of the Tangipahoa Parish School System, do hereby proclaim March 2015 as YOUTH ART MONTH.

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Mark Kolwe, Superintendent   Brett K. Duncan, Board President

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