

**PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR MEETING OF
NATCHITOCHE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING ON AUGUST 08, 2019**

A public meeting was held at the Natchitoches Parish School Board on August 8, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Natchitoches Parish School Board Office, 310 Royal Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana. Upon roll call, the following members and Dale Skinner, Secretary-Treasurer, were present: Russell Danzy, Emile Metoyer, Billy Benefield, Eugene Garner, Steven Harris, Rhonda Guidroz, Katrina Willis, Beverly Broadway, Dorothy McGaskey (5:04 p.m.), Tan'Keia Palmer and Reba Phelps (5:11 p.m.). The meeting was called to order by Board President, Rhonda Guidroz, followed by an invocation by Mrs. Katrina Willis and Pledge of Allegiance by Mrs. Beverly Broadway.

There was no Committee Meeting for the month of August due to the many Open Houses at the schools in the parish on Tuesday night. At Thursday's Board meeting under the Superintendent Report, OpenGov Representative Chip Barnett spoke with the board regarding information about a software system for transparent financial records.

Superintendent Skinner addressed the problems that the schools faced with air conditions problems which delayed the start of school in the parish.

A motion was made by Mr. Harris to accept the following Consent Agenda items. Mr. Garner offered a second to the motion. All members present at the meeting unanimously approved the motion and the second.

1. *Adoption* of Agenda.
2. *Approval* of Minutes of July 11, 2019; Special Called Minutes of July 13, 2019
3. FINANCE ITEMS
 - A. *Payment of Bills:*
 - B. *Out of State Travel*
 1. **David Yount**, Ag teacher at Lakeview, travel to Indianapolis, Indiana, October 28-November 3, 2019, to chaperone students at the National FFA Convention. The trip is at no cost to the board.
 2. **Sarah Mallette**, Ag teacher at Lakeview, travel to Indianapolis, Indiana, October 28-November 3, 2019, to chaperone students at the National FFA Convention. The trip is at no cost to the board.
 3. **Kayla Rachal**, Ag teacher at NCHS, travel to Indianapolis, Indiana, October 28-November 3, 2019, to chaperone students at the National FFA Convention. The trip is at no cost to the board.
 4. **Cadie Coleman, Salem Johnson and Gracie Niette**, Lakeview students. **Jadyn Durr, Brooklyn Hampton, Thomas Dodd, Zane Harper, Madeline Joubert, Tadarius Queen, Richard Mores, Nickolas Pierson, Alex Dollar** and **Kyle Clark**, NCHS students. Travel to Indianapolis, IN, October 28-November 3, 2019, to compete in the National FFA competitions. A three hundred dollar stipend per student is being requested from General Fund.

5. **LTC Anthony Mault**, JROTC Instructor at NCHS, travel to Arlington, TX, September 14, 2019, to chaperone forty cadets to Six Flags Over Texas. The trip is at no cost to the board.
6. **1SG Michael Selby**, JROTC Instructor at NCHS, travel to Arlington, TX, September 14, 2019, to chaperone forty cadets to Six Flags Over Texas. The trip is at no cost to the board.

C. *School Bus Routes Changes:*

D. *Purchase of Buses:*

E. *Advertisements:*

1. *Permission to advertise for bids:*

F. *Resignations:*

G. *Retirements:*

H. *Requests for Leave:*

I. *Termination:*

The Finance Report was presented by Mr. Russell Danzy. There were no bids to act on at this month's meeting.

The Transportation Report update was given by Director of Transportation, Jason Edwards. Mr. Edwards provided the board with an update of how many drivers were lost and gained for this school year.

The Tax Commission Report update was given by Mr. Richard Foshee, who stated that taxes were still relatively flat for the year to date.

The Budget Report update was given by Director of Finance, Richard Foshee. Mr. Foshee stated that the General Fund and Child Nutrition Fund were in good standings. The Title 1 budget was not available on the State site. A motion was made by Mr. Benefield to accept the budget update as it was given. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mr. Danzy and unanimous consent from all members present.

A motion was made by Mr. Danzy to approve the Louisiana Workforce Commission Social Services Contract as presented by Mrs. Toni Bennett. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mr. Garner and unanimous consent from all members present.

The Personnel Report was presented by Mrs. Linda Page. A motion was made by Mr. Benefield to accept the personnel update. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mr. Danzy and unanimous consent from all members present.

The Executive Report was presented by Mr. Benefield. All members were provided with a copy of the addendums to the 2019-2020 Pupil Progression Plan which will be voted on at the September meeting. Mrs. Guidroz discussed with the board a plan to organize subcommittees within the board.

On motion of Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Metoyer, the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

DALE SKINNER, SECRETARY-TREASURER

RHONDA GUIDROZ, PRESIDENT