

**PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF
NATCHITOCHE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2020**

A special called meeting of the Natchitoches Parish School Board was held on Thursday, February 13, 2020 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 were present: Russell Danzy, Emile Metoyer, Billy Benefield, Eugene Garner, Steven Harris, Rhonda Guidroz, Katrina Willis, Beverly Broadway, Dorothy McGaskey, Tan'Keia Palmer and Reba Phelps. Superintendent Skinner was not present for the proceedings.

The meeting was called to order by President Billy Benefield, followed by an invocation by Mr. Harris and Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Garner.

City of Natchitoches employees, Ed Lee and Matt Anderson spoke to the board requesting approval of the drilling of two water wells by the city on NPSB property. The current use of the property is just timber. A motion to table the request was made by Mr. Harris. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mrs. McGaskey. YEAS: Russell Danzy, Billy Benefield, Eugene Garner, Steven Harris, Rhonda Guidroz, Katrina Willis, Beverly Broadway, Dorothy McGaskey, Tan'Keia Palmer, and Reba Phelps. NAYS: NONE. ABSTAIN: Emile Metoyer. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Danzy to suspend the rules and add to the agenda the moving of the February 20, 2020 items to March 3, 2020. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mr. Garner and unanimous consent from all members present. The items states that the naming of the finalist with the board's selection and the date of the final interviews and the order they will be interviewed will take place on March 3, 2020. A motion was made by Mr. Danzy with a second by Mrs. Guidroz and unanimous consent from all members present to accept the motion.

Mr. Benefield then introduced Mr. Bob Hammonds informed the board that of the 15 applications received, all but 1 meet the advertised qualifications.

A motion was made by Mr. Metoyer to interview all 14 candidates. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mr. Harris. Upon roll call, the following votes were cast. YEAS: Emile Metoyer, Steven Harris, Katrina Willis, Beverly Broadway, Dorothy McGaskey, Tan'Keia Palmer, and Reba Phelps. NAYS: Russell Danzy, Billy Benefield Jr., Eugene Garner, Rhonda Guidroz. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Danzy to conduct five interviews per day, starting at 4:00 p.m. February 19-21, 2020. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mr. Garner and unanimous consent from all members present.

A motion was made by Mr. Garner to interview the candidates in alphabetically order according to last name. The motion was accompanied by a second from Ms. Phelps and unanimous consent from all members present.

A motion was made by Mrs. Broadway to suspend the rules and add to the agenda to consider approving a rubric to be used during the Superintendent interviews. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mrs. Guidroz and unanimous consent from all members present. All board members were asked to submit at least three interview questions to Mrs. Guidroz.

A motion was made by Mr. Harris to accept the rubric to be used during the

Superintendent interviews. The motion was accompanied by a second from Mrs. Broadway and unanimous consent from all members present.

On motion of Mr. Benefield and seconded by Mrs. Phelps the meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

DALE SKINNER, SECRETARY-TREASURER

BILLY BENEFIELD JR., PRESIDENT