

ST. MARTIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

OCTOBER 5, 2022

BREAUX BRIDGE, LOUISIANA

MINUTES

The St. Martin Parish School Board convened on this day at 4:10 P.M. at the Administrative Office with the following members present: Messrs. Richard Potier, President, Steve Fuselier, Jimmy Durio, Russel C. Foti, Mike Clay, Frederic Stelly, Floyd Knott, Mark Hebert, Mrs. Wanda B. Vital and Ms. Edna Johnson.

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Richard Potier, President. Mr. Allen Blanchard, Jr., Superintendent, opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Ms. Melinda Hymel, Secretary of Stephenville Elementary School, was recognized as the September Employee of the Month sponsored by Southern Scripts.

Mrs. Tera Simon, Mrs. Cheryl Knott, and Mr. Marlin D'Augereau, candidates for School Board Member District 9, introduced themselves to the Board.

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Clay, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following consent agenda items:

- a) Minutes of the following meetings:
 - 1) Finance Committee Meeting of September 7, 2022
 - 2) Regular Meeting of September 7, 2022
- b) School spirit day on October 19, 2022 where students and staff can pay \$1.00 to wear a spirit shirt with all proceeds going to St. Jude's Children's Hospital
- c) Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Henderson and St. Martin Parish School Board
- d) Proclamation designating October 24-31, 2022 as Red Ribbon Week (attached as Exhibit A)

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the following Finance Committee recommendations:

- a) Head Start Policy Council Meeting agenda item:
 - 1) Updated Head Start Center Manager Salary Schedule
- b) Update to the teacher certification scholarships
- c) Substitute bus driver pay for School Board employees
- d) Increase Mark Boyer's attorney fee to \$185.00 per hour

On the motion of Mr. Foti, seconded by Mrs. Vital, and carried, the Board approved the Head Start Policy Council recommendations:

- a) PC Minutes 09/26/2022
- b) MOU: St. Martin Parish Library
- c) MOU: Lion's Club
- d) New Hire Recommendations
- e) Recommendation for St. Martinville HS/EHS Center Manager

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OPPOSED: Mr. Knott and Mr. Hebert

On the motion of Mrs. Vital, seconded by Mr. Durio, and carried, the Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Volunteers of America and St. Martin Parish Early Childhood Network.

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On the motion of Mr. Clay, seconded by Mrs. Vital, and unanimously carried, the Board approved hiring an Air Conditioning Repair Technician prior to the upcoming retirement of one of the current technicians.

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board approved hiring a bookkeeper in the Sales Tax Department one month prior to the retirement of a current bookkeeper.

The Board heard a Citizen's Request by Amie Johannes regarding the recent incident at Cecilia High School.

Board Member Floyd Knott discussed school bus routes.

Mr. Hebert discussed implementing a car rider policy.

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board went into Executive Session.

On the motion of Mr. Hebert, seconded by Mr. Foti, and unanimously carried, the Board came out of Executive Session.

The President acknowledged the Public Participation card that was filled out and allowed Ms. Stacy Boudreaux to speak concerning Executive Session and the pending litigation entitled Thomas, et. al vs. St. Martin Parish School Board, et. al, Civil Action No. 6:65-cv-11314 on the docket of the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana.

No action was necessary for the employee disciplinary concern.

On the motion of Mrs. Vital, seconded by Mr. Clay, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT