

## SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office, in Marksville, Louisiana, with the following members present:

Aimee Dupuy, President; Chris Robinson, Vice-President; Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, Chris Lacour, Robin Moreau, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.

Absent: Stanley Celestine, Jr.

An Invocation was offered by Dexter Compton, Supervisor of Secondary Education.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America led by Board member Rickey Adams.

1. On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Thursday, March 3, 2022, as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. A. Board member Rickey Adams read a resolution of respect to the late Raymond Louis Gauthier, retired custodian.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Chris Robinson, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Raymond Louis Gauthier, retired custodian. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Board member Latisha Small read a resolution of respect to the late Shirley Mae Jacobs, retired food service technician.

On motion by Latisha Small, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Shirley Mae Jacobs, retired food service technician. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Board member Chris Robinson read a resolution of respect to the late Doretha P. Wade, retired paraprofessional.

On motion by Chris Robinson, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Doretha P. Wade, retired paraprofessional. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. Board member Jill Guidry read a resolution of respect to the late Irene Ducote Dufour, retired food service technician.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Irene Ducote Dufour, retired food service technician. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. Board member Rickey Adams read a resolution of respect to the late Nelda F. Gauthier, retired special education paraprofessional.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Nelda F. Gauthier, retired special education paraprofessional. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F. Board member Chris Robinson read a resolution of respect to the late Mae Bell Young, retired food service technician.

On motion by Chris Robinson, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Mae Bell Young, retired food service technician. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

G. Board member Chris Lacour read a resolution of respect to the late Ted J. Chatelain, retired band director.

On motion by Chris Lacour, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Ted J. Chatelain, retired band director. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

H. Board member Rickey Adams read a resolution of respect to the late Mae Rena Bordelon, retired food service technician.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Chris Lacour, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Mae Rena Bordelon, retired food service technician. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Superintendent Karen Tutor recognized the Students of the Month for March, 2022. Mrs. Tutor presented a plaque to each student. Also, each Board member read a short biography detailing the accomplishments of each student.

The Students of the Month at each school are as follows:

Gavin Moore, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Khamdin Fitzgerald, Cottonport Elementary School; Karver Jacobs, Lafargue Elementary School; Cecilia Bailey, Marksville Elementary School; Anniston Frank, Plaucheville Elementary School; Malaysia Lavalais, Riverside Elementary School; Harlee Bordelon, Avoyelles High School; Caleb Wells, Bunkie Magnet High School; Dashawn Jones, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Mya Bonton, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Aimee Dupuy commended the students on this outstanding achievement.

4. Assistant Superintendent Thelma Prater recognized the Teachers of the Month for March, 2022. She commended the teachers for their dedication, and Superintendent Tutor presented a plaque to each teacher, as follows:

Chrissy Grayson, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Haley DeMars, Cottonport Elementary School; Abbie Dunn, Lafargue Elementary School; Natalie Scott, Marksville Elementary School; Kristen Hukins, Plaquemine Elementary School; Sherry Reech, Riverside Elementary School; Carrie Kimble, Avoyelles High School; McKenzie Bienvenu, Bunkie Magnet High School; Julie Ryland, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Devin Tipton, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Aimee Dupuy commended the teachers on this outstanding achievement.

5. Wendy Marchand, Data/Instructional Coordinator, recognized the 2022 New Teacher of the Year winners, as follows:

Charlie Hauk, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Hope Dupuy, Marksville Elementary School; Allison Lacombe, Plaquemine Elementary School; Aslyn Dennie, Riverside Elementary School; Reagan Lemoine, Bunkie Magnet High School; and Kyle Sarrazin, Marksville High School.

District Winner: Charli Hauk; Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy

6. Aimee Dupuy, Board President, recognized the students from each school attending National Beta Convention, as follows.

**MARKSVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** Layla Gagnard - placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Fiber Arts; Daiylon Gallien - placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Digital Arts; and Entire Club - placed 5<sup>th</sup> in Technology

**PLAUCHEVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** Paisley Lemoine (4<sup>th</sup> grade) – placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in ELA; Rylee Mayberry (4<sup>th</sup> grade) – placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Math; Charli Guillory (5<sup>th</sup> grade) - placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Fiber Arts; and Mackenzie Moss (5<sup>th</sup> grade) – placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Recyclable Arts and placed 5<sup>th</sup> in Jewelry.

**BUNKIE MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL:** Geri White - placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Onsite Painting Division; Jathan Dubroc (9<sup>th</sup> grade) - placed 5<sup>th</sup> in Agriscience.

Group Talent placed 4<sup>th</sup> - Carly Garnett, Melody Bordelon, Cadence Gremillion, Ava Chatelin, Alexis LaJaunie, Laken Middlebrooks, Amelia Laprairie, Molly Venable, Kate Webb, Macie Ard, Rylie Hernandez, Annie Andes, Nalonne Dupuy, Katelyn Madrigal, Maddie Milligan, Mia Hukins, Shea Jordan, Kelsey Robertson, Andie Belt, Isabella Snyder, Lindsey Laprairie, Stevie Mathews.

Entire Club - placed 5<sup>th</sup> in Scavenger Hunt.

Premier Performers - Andie Belt, Lindsey Laprairie, Nalonni Dupuy, and Stevie Matthews.

**LASAS:** Brandon Wright - placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Division II Science; Abbie Foret - placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Division I Agriscience; and Heidi Gauthier - placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Division I Mixed Media Arts.

**MARKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL:** Alaura McGlory (8<sup>th</sup> grade) – placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Social Studies; Lucia Garrote - placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Spanish; Layken Laborde - placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Division II Onsite Painting; and Club/Group - placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Apparel and placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Scavenger Hunt.

7. Jennifer Dismer, Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance, addressed the Board with a recommendation to approve the 2022-2023 school year calendar.

Several members of the Board as well as the public, including students, parents, civic organization members, principals, and supervisors, expressed their opinions about the calendar choices as well as the public survey which was conducted.

A motion was offered by Jill Guidry, seconded by Chris Robinson, that the Board adopt the 2022-2023 school year calendar as recommended by the Calendar Committee and presented by Ms. Dismer. The motion was adopted by the following 6-2 vote:

YEAS: Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, Chris Lacour, Chris Robinson, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.

NAYS: Robin Moreau and Aimee Dupuy.

8. Superintendent Karen Tutor addressed the Board for approval of the Needs Assessment Allocations.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board approved the Needs Assessment Allocations as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. Rev. Charles E. Guillory, member of Avoyelles Coalition Taskforce, addressed the Board regarding a discussion on the following items:

- (a) Discussion on AVAP status: Student assignment, program evaluation plan.
- (b) Discussion on status of District Academic Recovery Plan.

10. Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Board for approval of bid results for the Marksville High School HVAC and roof replacement.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Latisha Small, the Board approved the bid by ACA Mechanical Contractors for the Marksville High School HVAC and roof replacement, to be funded by ESSER funds in the amount of \$1,736,500.00. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Board for approval of bid results for Bunkie Magnet High School – four classroom additions.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Chris Robinson, the Board approved the bid by M.D. Descant for Bunkie Magnet High School – four classroom additions, to be funded by ESSER funds in the amount of \$539,083.00. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Board for approval of bid results of the parish's three high school running tracks.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Chris Lacour, the Board approved the bid by Progressive Construction Company for all-weather running tracks at all three of the parish's high schools, to be funded by Reserves and the General Fund (with any additional amount needed to be taken from Capital Outlay funds), in the amount of \$1,558,150.00. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. *COMMITTEE REPORTS*

(a) Lynn Deloach, Chairman of the Education Committee, presented the following report:

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT  
March 15, 2022**

The Education Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. at the Avoyelles Parish School Board Office with the following members present:

Lynn Deloach, Chairman; Latisha Small; Aimee Dupuy, President; Karen Tutor, Superintendent; and Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent. Chris Robinson and Rickey Adams were absent. Also present were Chris Lacour, Robin Moreau, Stanley Celestine, Jr. and Jill Guidry, Board members; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; Brent Whiddon, Transportation Supervisor; Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor; other supervisors and coordinators. Rickey Adams arrived at 4:43 p.m.

1. District Attorney Charles Riddle administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Lynn Deloach, who was sworn in and reappointed School Board Member for District 2.
2. Chairman Lynn Deloach welcomed the Student Representatives from each of the Avoyelles Parish schools. The students presented updates on activities in both their schools and their feeder schools.

The Education Committee did not take any action on this matter.

3. Dexter Compton, Supervisor of Secondary Education, addressed the Education Committee with an update of JROTC.

The Education Committee did not take any action on this matter.

The Education Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Lynn Deloach, Chairman  
Education Committee

On motion by Lynn Deloach, seconded by Chris Lacour, the Board adopted the Education Committee Report as presented by Chairman Deloach. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (b) Stanley Celestine, Jr., Chairman of the Executive Committee, was absent; therefore President Aimee Dupuy presented the following report:

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**March 15, 2022**

The Executive Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 4:45 p.m. at the Avoyelles Parish School Board Office with the following members present:

Stanley Celestine, Jr., Chairman; Jill Guidry, Robin Moreau, Lynn Deloach; Aimee Dupuy, President; Karen Tutor, Superintendent; and Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent. Also present were Latisha Small, Chris Lacour, and Rickey Adams, Board members; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; Brent Whiddon, Transportation Supervisor; Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor; other supervisors and coordinators.

Chairman Stanley Celestine, Jr., requested to add an item to the agenda. On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Executive Committee approved the addition of Item #9 (contract with National Institute for Excellence in Teaching) to the agenda. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

1. Assistant Superintendent Thelma Prater addressed the Executive Committee for approval of an MOU between Rapides Primary Health Care Center and the Avoyelles Parish School Board for dental services for our elementary schools, with a brief discussion by Byron Lavalais.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Executive Committee recommended to approve the MOU between Rapides Primary Health Care Center and the Avoyelles Parish School Board for dental services for all elementary schools in the parish. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Jennifer Dismer, Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance, addressed the Executive Committee for approval of the 2022-2023 school year calendar.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Executive Committee recommended to defer the 2022-2023 School Year Calendar issue to the full board meeting. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Becky Spencer, Network Supervisor, addressed the Executive Committee for approval of the Avoyelles Parish School Board Technology Disaster Recovery Plan.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Executive Committee recommended to approve the Avoyelles Parish School Board District Technology Disaster Recovery Plan. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Dexter Compton, Supervisor of Secondary Education, addressed the Executive Committee for approval of a policy submitted by Forethought Consulting, Inc. regarding dual enrollment.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Lynn Deloach, the Executive Committee recommended to approve the policy submitted by Mr. James Prescott, Jr. of Forethought Consulting, Incorporated, as follows: File: IDC I College/University Dual Enrollment. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. President Aimee Dupuy addressed the Executive Committee for discussion of a policy to limit board members to speak on issues a specific number of times, as recommended by the LSBA.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Executive Committee recommended to limit the number of times a board member can speak on an issue to two (2) times, with a time limit not to exceed five (5) minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. President Aimee Dupuy addressed the Executive Committee for discussion of a policy to limit public comment to not exceed one (1) hour per agenda item, and give the chairman the ability to ask each group to elect a representative to speak on their behalf to avoid repetition, and give the chairman the ability to limit speaking time within reasonable restrictions.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Lynn Deloach, the Executive Committee recommended to keep the current policy of limiting public comments to three (3) minutes per person, with a time limit not to exceed thirty (30) minutes per agenda item. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



7. President Aimee Dupuy addressed the Executive Committee for discussion of a policy to limit the number of times an issue can be placed on an agenda during a calendar year.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Executive Committee recommended to limit the number of times an issue can be placed on a Board agenda to two (2) times during a calendar year. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Celeste Voinche, Supervisor of Elementary Education, addressed the Executive Committee requesting permission to enter into a contract with NIET (National Institute for Excellence in Teaching) for training and coaching of district and school leaders. Training and coaching will be focused on Instructional Leadership Teams and Teacher Collaboration.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Executive Committee recommended to grant permission to enter into a contract with NIET (National Institute for Excellence in Teaching) to provide 4 days of training and 20 days of coaching to district and school leaders, with the contract being funded as follows: \$74,900 from Achieve Grant Funds and \$72,100 from The Rapides Foundation Effective Schools Grant. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Executive Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Stanley Celestine, Jr., Chairman  
Executive Committee

Board member Chris Robinson requested that Item #5 and Item #7 be voted on separately.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board adopted the Executive Committee Report—except for Item #5 and Item #7—as presented by President Dupuy. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

For Item #5: On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board adopted Item #5 of the Executive Committee Report by the following 7-1 vote:

YEAS: Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, Chris Lacour, Robin Moreau,  
Aimee Dupuy, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.  
NAYS: Chris Robinson.

For Item #7: On motion by Chris Robinson, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted Item #7 of the Executive Committee Report as clarified—Limit the number of times an issue can be placed on an agenda to be voted on, regardless of if it passes or fails initially, to two (2) times during a calendar year. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

(c) Robin Moreau, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the following report:



**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**March 15, 2022**

The Finance Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at approximately 5:09 p.m. at the Avoyelles Parish School Board Office with the following members present:

Robin Moreau, Chairman; Rickey Adams, Stanley Celestine, Jr., Jill Guidry; Aimee Dupuy, President; Karen Tutor, Superintendent; and Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent. Also present were Latisha Small, Chris Lacour, and Lynn Deloach, Board members; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; Brent Whiddon, Transportation Supervisor; Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor; other supervisors and coordinators.

1. Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance, presented an actual sales tax report for the month of February, 2022. She stated that sales tax collections totaled \$740,833.45. Mrs. Lacombe said that of this amount, the 1% sales tax generated \$423,333.59, the 0.25% sales tax generated \$105,833.06, and the building and maintenance fund generated \$211,666.80.

The Finance Committee did not take any action on this matter.

2. Committee Chairman Robin Moreau presented the monthly maintenance report on expenditures for the committee's review.

The Finance Committee did not take any action on this matter.

3. Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance, presented the monthly General Fund 2021-2022 Year-to-Date Report with Comparisons.

The Finance Committee did not take any action on this matter.

4. Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance, addressed the Finance Committee with a recommendation to approve LaSAS Special Revenue Fund Revisions for 2021-2022; and Jenny Welch, Supervisor of Food Services, addressed the Finance Committee with a recommendation to approve Food Service Revisions for 2021-2022.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Finance Committee recommended to approve the LaSAS Special Revenue Fund Revisions for 2021-2022. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Rickey Adams, the Finance Committee recommended to approve the Food Service Revisions for 2021-2022. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Superintendent Karen Tutor addressed the Finance Committee with a recommendation to rescind the New Teacher Incentive Program sign-on bonuses, effective immediately.

The Finance Committee did not take any action on this matter.

6. Superintendent Karen Tutor addressed the Finance Committee with a recommendation to approve the Performance Incentive Package for Principals, Assistant Principals, Counselors, Instructional Coaches, and Curriculum Coordinators.

A motion was offered by Jill Guidry, seconded by Rickey Adams, that the Finance Committee recommend to approve the Performance Incentive Package for Principals, Assistant Principals, Counselors, Instructional Coaches, and Curriculum Coordinators. The motion failed by the following 2-3 vote:

YAYS: Rickey Adams and Jill Guidry

NAYS: Aimee Dupuy, Robin Moreau, and Stanley Celestine, Jr.

7. Superintendent Karen Tutor addressed the Finance Committee with a request to grant \$500 per student to attend and compete in school-sanctioned national conferences or conventions. Checks would be distributed to the school on a per-pupil basis.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Finance Committee recommended that all students competing at national conferences or conventions be given a \$500 check which will be distributed to the school on a per-pupil basis. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Finance Committee then withdrew the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Rickey Adams, the Finance Committee recommended to approve groups (two students or more) competing at a national level to receive a stipend of \$1000.00 and individual students competing at a national level to receive \$500.00. These checks are to be distributed to the school. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Celeste Voinche, Supervisor of Elementary Education, addressed the Finance Committee requesting permission to purchase site licenses for each elementary school in the parish.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Finance Committee recommended to approve the purchase of site licenses for Amplify Reading for each

elementary school in the parish, to be funded by the Redesign Grant in the amount of \$34,500.00. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. Celeste Voinche, Supervisor of Elementary Education, addressed the Finance Committee requesting permission to purchase student licenses.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Finance Committee recommended to approve the purchase of student licenses for MClass/DIBELS, to be funded by the Redesign Grant in the amount of \$19,154.50. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. Celeste Voinche, Supervisor of Elementary Education, addressed the Finance Committee requesting permission to purchase school site licenses for each elementary school in the parish.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Finance Committee recommended to approve the purchase of school site licenses for MClass Intervention for each elementary school in the parish, funded by the Redesign Grant in the amount of \$23,100.00. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. Superintendent Karent Tutor addressed the Finance Committee with a discussion of needs assessment.

The Finance Committee did not take any action on this matter.

12. Assistant Superintendent Thelma Prater addressed the Finance Committee with requests for overnight travel.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Finance Committee recommended to approve the overnight travel requests. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Finance Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Robin Moreau, Chairman  
Finance Committee

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Chris Lacour, the Board adopted the Finance Committee Report as presented by Chairman Moreau. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

(d) Jill Guidry, Chairwoman of the Building and Lands Committee, presented the following report:

**BUILDING AND LANDS COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**March 15, 2022**

The Building and Lands Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at approximately 5:53 p.m. at the Avoyelles Parish School Board Office with the following members present:

Jill Guidry, Chairwoman; Chris Lacour, Robin Moreau, Stanley Celestine, Jr.; Aimee Dupuy, President; Karen Tutor, Superintendent; and Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent. Also present were Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, and Rickey Adams, Board members; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; Brent Whiddon, Transportation Supervisor; Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor; other supervisors and coordinators.

1. Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Building and Lands Committee requesting approval of an additional service fee of \$11,800 for the Avoyelles Parish high school tracks, district funded.

On motion by Chris Lacour, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Building and Lands Committee recommended to approve the additional service fee of \$11,800 for the Avoyelles Parish high school tracks, district funded. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Building and Lands Committee requesting approval of a proposal from Borrel Engineering for the redesign of the FFA Camp Construction Project in the amount of \$13,500.00, funded by FFA.

On motion by Chris Lacour, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Building and Lands Committee recommended to defer this item to the next committee meeting on April 19, 2022, with Mr. Borrel present. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Building and Lands Committee requesting approval of the bid opening report for the Marksville High School HVAC replacement and re-roofing project, inclusive of valve engineering options from ACA Mechanical Contractors. Our engineering firm, A.D.G., recommends to re-bid this project into two separate projects—one with only HVAC and one with only roof replacement in the hopes of attracting more bidders.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Building and Lands Committee recommended to re-bid Marksville High School HVAC replacement as one project and to re-bid Marksville High School roofing project as a separate project. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Building and Lands Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Jill Guidry, Chairperson  
Building and Lands Committee

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the Building and Lands Committee Report as presented by Chairwoman Guidry. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

(e) Rickey Adams, Chairman of the Bus Committee, presented the following report:

**BUS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 15, 2022**

The Bus Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at approximately 6:03 p.m. at the Avoyelles Parish School Board Office with the following members present:

Rickey Adams, Chairman; Latisha Small, Chris Lacour; Aimee Dupuy, President; Karen Tutor, Superintendent; and Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent. Chris Robinson was absent. Also present were Lynn Deloach, Robin Moreau, Stanley Celestine, Jr., and Jill Guidry, Board members; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; Brent Whiddon, Transportation Supervisor; Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor; other supervisors, coordinators, and principals.

1. Brent Whiddon, Transportation Supervisor, presented an update report on bus incidents in the school district.

The Bus Committee did not take any action on this matter.

The Bus Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Rickey Adams, Chairman  
Bus Committee

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board adopted the Bus Committee Report as presented by Chairman Adams. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. Assistant Superintendent Thelma Prater presented personnel changes for the Board's review.

**PERSONNEL CHANGES**

BUNKIE ELEMENTARY LEARNING  
ACADEMY

Renewal of administrative contract for Sharice D. Sullivan, Principal, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

Appointment of Valerie B. Bandy, teacher, effective March 28, 2022 through May 27, 2022.

LAFARGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Resignation of Paula Scanlan, Pre-K teacher, effective at the end of the day April 7, 2022, for the purpose of retirement.

MARKSVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Renewal of administrative contract for Nicole M. Gagnard, Principal, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

PLAUCHEVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Renewal of administrative contract for Wendy C. Adams, Principal, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

Renewal of administrative contract for Kimberly W. Adams, Assistant Principal, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Resignation of Joni Meche Roy, teacher, effective at the end of the day March 3, 2022.

RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Renewal of administrative contract for Tonenikea D. Wilson, Principal, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

Renewal of administrative contract for Sarah E. Reech, Assistant Principal, effective July 24, 2022 through July 7, 2024.

Appointment of Bessie S. Bannister, retired teacher, effective March 7, 2022 through May 27, 2022, replacing Mary Ann Allen.

AVOYELLES HIGH SCHOOL

Renewal of administrative contract for Scott E. Balias, administrative assistant, effective July 20, 2022 through June 8, 2023.

BUNKIE MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL

Renewal of administrative contract for Monique H. Gaspard, Assistant Principal, effective July 24, 2022 through June 7, 2024.

LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR THE  
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

Renewal of administrative contract for Eric P. Dausat, Principal, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

MARKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Renewal of administrative contract for Liza R. Jacobs, Principal, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

Renewal of administrative contract for Cindy B. Schaub, Assistant Principal, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

ADULT EDUCATION

Resignation of Lisa Thevenot, Adult Education Coordinator, effective June 8, 2022, for the purpose of retirement.

AVOYELLES VIRTUAL ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (AVAP)

Renewal of administrative contract for Michael Rachal, Program Administrator, effective August 3, 2022 through June 8, 2024.

CENTRAL OFFICE

Renewal of administrative contract for Dawn G. Pitre, Supervisor of Special Services & Nursing, effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2024.

Appointment of Jessica W. Rachal, Chief Accountant/Sales Tax Supervisor, effective April 1, 2022, replacing Jaimie Lacombe.

Resignation of Fergus "Tony" Saucier, Food Service Transportation / Warehouse Technician, effective March 31, 2022, for the purpose of retirement.

Addendum(s)  
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COTTONPORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Appointment of Keonte' R. Wells, teacher, effective April 5, 2022 through May 27, 2022.

15. Assistant Superintendent Thelma Prater addressed the Board with requests for overnight travel.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Rickey Adams, the Board approved the overnight travel requests as presented by Assistant Superintendent Prater. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



16. Superintendent's Comments: Superintendent Karen Tutor announced that a ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held on Thursday, April 7, at 10:00 a.m. to commemorate the opening of our new Child Nutrition Warehouse. Also, Spring/Easter Break will begin on Friday, April 8. Also, all Board members are to attend meetings with Danny Garrett beginning at 10:00 a.m. on April 22 at the School Board Office.

17. Executive Session for the purpose of an Expulsion Appeal was on the agenda, but it was canceled by the student's parents earlier today. Therefore, the Board did not take any action on this matter.

There being no further business, on motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Chris Lacour, the meeting was adjourned.

AVOYELLES PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Aimee Dupuy, President

Karen L. Tutor, Superintendent  
Secretary/Treasurer