



JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA

203 E. PLAQUEMINE STREET

JENNINGS, LOUISIANA

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AGENDA MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

LIVE REMOTE ACCESS (COVID19 PANDEMIC)

The Jefferson Davis Parish School Board welcomes public input as to all agenda items which it considers and understands the inconvenience which COVID-19 guidelines impose. In an effort to meet within the CDC recommendations and to comply with the Governor’s orders (Phase III), while at the same time providing the opportunity for public comment, the Board will adhere to the following procedures at its meetings:

1. Capacity limitations of 30 persons (First preference to Board Members and necessary staff) will be followed in the Board Room at its normal meeting place in Jennings, LA;
2. Public participants wishing to become an active part of the meeting agenda must request written permission (via email to debbie.abshire@jdpsbk12.org) no later than one day prior to the meeting date. Individual speakers are granted three minutes to speak when public comment is acknowledged.
3. Once public participants have submitted a written request to speak, they will receive the active participant link via email.
4. This is a live remote-access meeting for public participation. Video and audio will be recorded throughout the entirety of this meeting and will be archived.
5. As this is a live remote-access meeting, all active speakers are to adhere to professional meeting etiquette. Please refrain from using any profane language or making derogatory remarks aimed at any individual or group.
6. This meeting will be moderated for all active participants. Any active participant not adhering to the guidelines set forth in this document will be muted or removed from the meeting (depending on extent of violation).
7. Active participants are asked to mute their microphones when not speaking. Unmuted participants (not actively speaking or asked to speak) will be muted by the moderator.
8. During the meeting, questions can be submitted using the “Chat” feature (comment bubble icon). All questions submitted in the “Chat” feature will be visible to all participants and should adhere to the same guidelines as outlined in number 2 on this page.
9. This meeting will be recorded. The live-stream link will be available after the meeting on the district website at www.jeffersondavis.org.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. President or presiding officer certifies the following:

- A. Governor has declared a State of Emergency (Modified Phase II)**
- B. Nature of Emergency could cause more than 30 persons present in the Boardroom to be detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the Public in order to adhere to social distancing guidelines;**
- C. This is a live remote-access meeting for public participation. Video and audio will be recorded throughout the entirety of this meeting and will be archived.**
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II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

III. ROLL CALL FOR DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM.

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IV. APPROVAL OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 10, 2020, AND THE REGULAR MEETINGS ON NOVEMBER 19, 2020.

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V. VOTE TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED AND TO ADD NEW ITEMS NOT ON THE ORIGINAL AGENDA.

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VI. ELECTION OF 2021 SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT.

- A. Superintendent Credeur, School Board Secretary, calls for nominations for office of School Board President.
- B. School Board President, calls for nominations for office of School Board Vice-President.

VI. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance Committee - James Segura, Chairman
- B. Insurance - David Doise, Chairman
- C. Building & Grounds - Terry Leger, Chairman
- D. Policy- Phillip Arceneaux, Chairman
- E. Transportation Committee - Greg Bordelon, Chairman
- F. 16th Section-Charles Bruchhaus, Chairman
- G. Ward II (Ad Hoc) - Donald Dees, Chairman
- H. Legislative Liaison - Donald Dees, Chairman
- I. Food Service Committee - Malon Dobson, Chairman

VII. SALES TAX REPORT - by Amber Hymel, Tax Collector.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Adopt the following Resolution of Recognition for outgoing District Attorney, Michael Cassidy, who has served as legal counsel for the Jefferson Davis Parish School Board for thirty years:

RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

WHEREAS, MICHAEL CASSIDY has served as legal counsel for the Jefferson Davis Parish School System for thirty years.

WHEREAS, his loyalty, leadership, and dedication to the Jefferson Davis Parish School

System in fulfilling his duties and legal knowledge have brought credit to the system, and served as an example and inspiration to his colleagues.

WHEREAS, his spirit of Public Service has been in the finest tradition of democratic government;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jefferson Davis Parish School Board in regular session on the 17th day of December, 2020, that said Board recognizes and commends MICHAEL CASSIDY for his faithful legal service in representing the Board.

The above Resolution, having been put to a vote and having passed, was duly declared adopted and ordered spread on the minutes of this Board on this 17th day of December, 2020.

/s/ JODY SINGLETARY

President

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2. Name newly-elected District Attorney Kevin Millican as the legal counsel for the Jefferson Davis Parish School Board, effective upon his oath of office in January, 2021.

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3. Approve the following non-faculty coach for the 2020-21 school year upon completion of LHSAA coaching course certification and Board policy requirements.

A. Devaughn Davis, EHS basketball.

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4. Declare the following HHS items as surplus and send to the next available auction:

1. 8 (g) HHS Detel 30 unit laptop cart.

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IX. INFORMATION

1. Condolences are extended to the families of:
 - A. Peggy Seilhan, EHS Cafeteria Manager, who retired in 2016 with 9 years of Service.
 - B. Hubert "Sonny Boy" Thomas, EHS Custodian who retired in 2003, with 25 years of service.
2. From OGB: The ever changing costs of healthcare requires OGB to occasionally make changes to our health plans in order to continue to provide our members with the coverage they are accustomed to. Therefore, effective January 1, 2021, premium rates for the Pelican and Magnolia plans will increase by 5.5 percent. Vantage Health Plan also will raise their rates by 6 percent.
 -----The insurance department has been working diligently to make sure all employees and retirees are aware of the increase. Mrs. Kershaw has mailed letters to retirees giving them notice of an increase and she plans to mail out letters with the amount to be withheld from their retirement check by the end of the month.

X. PERSONNEL CHANGES

XI. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Motion to enter into Executive session.

1. To discuss status and strategy relative to the following litigation:
Roma Lynn Bergeron vs. Jefferson Davis Parish School Board
Suit # C-051220 - Jefferson Davis Parish

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B. Motion to resume in regular session.

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IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW, A COPY OF THIS AGENDA ADDENDUM WAS POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE AT THE MEETING PLACE OF SAID BOARD THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2020 BY 4:00 P.M.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CONTACT DEBBIE AT 337-824-1834 DESCRIBING THE ASSISTANCE THAT IS NECESSARY.