

## SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office, Marksville, Louisiana, with the following members present:

Stanley Celestine, Jr., President; Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, Chris LaCour, Robin Moreau, Chris Robinson, Rickey Adams, and Aimee Dupuy.

Absent: Jill Guidry, Vice President.

An Invocation was offered by Mr. 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 Chris Lacour.

1. On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Chris Lacour, the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, and the Special Board Meeting held on September 14, 2021, 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 Aimee Dupuy read a resolution of respect to the late Mary Lucille Speer, retired Assistant Principal.

On motion by Aimee Dupuy, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted a resolution of respect to the late Mary Lucille Speer, retired Assistant Principal. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Board member Chris Lacour read a resolution of respect to the late Reuben Perry Joshua, former teacher.

On motion by Chris Lacour, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted a resolution of respect to the late Reuben Perry Joshua, former teacher. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Board President Stanley Celestine, Jr. read a resolution of respect to the late Lonis Laurent, retired bus driver.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Chris Robinson, the Board adopted a resolution of respect to the late Lonis Laurent, retired bus driver. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. Board member Latisha Small read a resolution of respect to the late Betty Ducote, retired food service technician.

On motion by Latisha Small, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Board adopted a resolution of respect to the late Betty Ducote, retired food service technician. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. Board member Chris Robinson read a resolution of respect to the late Lionel Hayes, retired bus driver.

On motion by Chris Robinson, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted a resolution of respect to the late Lionel Hayes, retired bus driver. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F. Board member Chris Robinson read a resolution of respect to the late Mary Jo Ferguson, retired paraprofessional.

On motion by Chris Robinson, seconded by Chris Lacour, the Board adopted a resolution of respect to the late Mary Jo Ferguson, retired paraprofessional. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Mrs. Jessica Gauthier, SIS Coordinator, recognized the 2021 Middle Schools and High Schools Teacher of the Year winners, as follows:

Middle School Level:

Kathy Lemoine, Avoyelles High School; Elizabeth Willis, Bunkie Magnet High School; Keri Desselle, LaSAS; and Nuri Jeter, Marksville High School.

High School Level:

Abbie Manuel, Avoyelles High School; Sabrina Washington, Bunkie Magnet High School; Ward Bordelon, LaSAS; and Sheena Grote, Marksville High School.

District winners are:

Elizabeth Willis, Bunkie Magnet High School;  
Abbie Manuel, Avoyelles High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Stanley Celestine, Jr. congratulated the 2021 Teacher of the Year winners.

4. Superintendent Karen Tutor recognized the Students of the Month for September. Ms. Tutor stated that board members will present a plaque to each Student of the Month at their respective school.

Ms. Tutor announced the Students of the Month at each school, as follows:

Ava Clark, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Madelyn Francois, Cottonport Elementary School; Charlotte Ponthier, Lafargue Elementary School; Evelyn St. Romain, Marksville Elementary School; Charli Guillory, Plaucheville Elementary School; Bentlee Mayeux, Riverside Elementary School; Ariana Greenhouse, Avoyelles High School; Ananise