

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office, in Marksville, Louisiana, with the following members present:

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

Absent: None.

An Invocation was offered by Dexter Compton, Curriculum Supervisor.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America led by Board Member Keith Lacombe.

1. On motion by Aimee Dupuy, seconded by Lynn Deloach, the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Board Vice President Rickey Adams read a resolution of respect to the late Albert Joseph Gremillion, retired speech pathologist.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Albert Joseph Gremillion, retired speech pathologist. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Superintendent Karen Tutor recognized the Students of the Month for September, 2023. Superintendent 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:

Paris May, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Harley Poret, Cottonport Elementary School; Amelia Jeansonne, Lafargue Elementary School; Madison Holmes, Marksville Elementary School; A'Niya Francisco, Plaucheville Elementary School; Jamelle Carmouche, Riverside Elementary School; Braunson Wagner, Avoyelles High School; Isabella Harrell, Bunkie Magnet High School; Austin Leblanc, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Abigail St. Romain, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Robin Moreau commended the students on this outstanding achievement.

4. Assistant Superintendent Thelma Prater recognized the Teachers of the Month for September, 2023. She commended the teachers for their dedication, and Superintendent Tutor presented a plaque to each teacher, as follows:

Bianca Word, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Sarah Armand, Cottonport Elementary School; Holly Bordelon, Lafargue Elementary School; Judy Rivers, Marksville Elementary School; Bailey Lemoine, Plaucheville Elementary School; Shawnita Scott, Riverside Elementary School; KK Lemoine, Avoyelles High School; McKenzie Bienvenu, Bunkie Magnet High School; Angela Deville, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Tina Anderson, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Robin Moreau commended the teachers on this outstanding achievement.

5. Tammy Morgan with LDOE addressed the Board with a presentation of the charter renewal for Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences (LaSAS). LaSAS is a Type IV charter and we except that charter to be extended.

6. Wendy Marchand, Curriculum Supervisor, addressed the Board with a beginning-of-the-year literacy update for grades K-3.

7. Wendy Marchand, Curriculum Supervisor, addressed the Board with a recommendation to approve the Pupil Progression Plan for 2023-2024.

On motion by Aimee Dupuy, seconded by Chris Robinson, the Board approved the Pupil Progression Plan for 2023-2024 as outlined by Ms. Marchand. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Superintendent Karen Tutor addressed the Board to change the dates of the November 21, 2023 Committee Meeting as well as the January 2, 2024 and April 2, 2024 Board Meetings due to holidays.

On motion by Jay Callegari, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board agreed to change the dates of meetings as follows: November 21, 2023 Committee Meeting to November 14; January 2, 2024 Regular Meeting to January 9; and April 2, 2024 Regular Meeting to April 9. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. Dawn Pitre, Supervisor of Special Services, addressed the Board with a recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Electronic Information Systems (EIS) and the Avoyelles Parish School District for a three-year period, starting July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2026. The agreement covers all eligible Medicaid reimbursable services in the various school-based Medicaid programs in which the District chooses to participate.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Rickey Adams, the Board approved the MOU between Electronic Information Systems and the Avoyelles Parish School District from