

## SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session Tuesday, September 4, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office with the following members present:

James Gauthier, President; Michael Lacombe, Vice-President; Freeman Ford, Darrell Wiley, Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Shelia Blackman-Dupas, Lizzie Ned, and Van Kojis.

Absent: Cynthia "Cindy" Hill.

An Invocation was offered by Board Member Lizzie Ned.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America led by Vice-President Michael Lacombe.

1. A motion was offered by Darrell Wiley, seconded by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., that the Board adopt the minutes of the special Board meeting held Tuesday, August 28, 2012, as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. The motion was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: James Gauthier, Michael Lacombe, Darrell Wiley,  
Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., and Van Kojis.

Nays: Freeman Ford, Shelia Blackman-Dupas, and Lizzie Ned.  
(Mr. Ford, Mrs. Dupas, and Mrs. Ned stated that the reason they voted "nay" was because they were not in favor of Item 4 of the School Board Proceedings of August 28, 2012).

2. Superintendent Dwayne Lemoine addressed the Board regarding the Avoyelles Correctional Center "Back to School Program". He introduced Assistant Warden Myrna Cooper and explained that this program donates school backpacks to students.

3. Mr. Wilfred Ducote, Sales Tax Collector, reported that sales tax collections for the month of July, 2012 totaled \$673,425.78. Mr. Ducote stated that of this amount, the 1.5% generated \$577,330.30 and the 0.25% generated \$96,095.48.

4. Mr. Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the following report:

### Finance Committee Report August 21, 2012

The Finance Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met Tuesday, August 21, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. at the School Board Office with the following members present:

Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Chairman; Van Kojis, Michael Lacombe, James Gauthier, President; and Dwayne Lemoine, Superintendent. Mrs. Shelia Blackman-Dupas was absent.

Also present were Darrell Wiley, Board Member; Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; and Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor.

1. Upon motion by Van Kojis, seconded by Michael Lacombe, the Finance Committee recommended to approve requests for overnight travel as presented by Superintendent Lemoine. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Mrs. Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance, updated the committee regarding the fiscal agent bid. Mrs. Bonnette explained that bids will be opened on August 29, 2012.

3. Mrs. Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent, presented a report of the Superintendent's Needs Assessment Committee Report and the Three Board Member Screening Report, as follows:

Superintendent's Needs Assessment Committee Report  
July 30, 2012

The Superintendent's Needs Assessment Committee met on Monday, July 30, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at the School Board Office, with the following members present:

Dwayne Lemoine, Superintendent; Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; and Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor.

Mrs. Mary Bonnette reviewed the 2012-2013 Budget with the committee which provides for \$128,638 per semester, as follows:

Balance available for the first semester before encumbrance		\$198,638
Less encumbrances previously approved:		
Bus lease payment (P.O. # 65)	50,000	
Dual enrollment fees (P.O. # 82)	10,000	
Desks - all schools (P.O. # 64)	<u>10,000</u>	
		\$128,638

A motion was offered by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Thelma Prater, to approve the 2012-2013 budget as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

The committee reviewed the following purchase orders:

(1) Purchase Order Number 101

Upon motion by Thelma Prater, seconded by Mary Bonnette, the committee recommended to purchase an audiometer for the school nurses at Riverside Elementary School and Cottonport Elementary School at a cost of \$3,235. MOTION CARRIED.

(2) Purchase Order Number 102

Upon motion by Mary Bonnette, seconded by Dwayne Lemoine, the committee recommended to purchase a portable storage building at Plaucheville Elementary School for Pre-K educational materials and supplies at a cost of \$3,795. MOTION CARRIED.

(3) Purchase Order Number 103

Upon motion by Steve Marcotte, seconded by Mary Bonnette, the committee recommended to purchase a school sign for Avoyelles High School as provided for other schools in the parish at a cost of \$4,750. MOTION CARRIED.

(4) Purchase Order Number 104

Upon motion by Steve Marcotte, seconded by Mary Bonnette, the committee recommended to refinish the administration area flooring at Avoyelles High School at a cost of \$8,748. MOTION CARRIED.

(5) Purchase Order Number 105

Upon motion by Steve Marcotte, seconded by Dwayne Lemoine, the committee recommended to purchase limestone for the Avoyelles High School student parking area not to exceed a cost of \$3,700. MOTION CARRIED.

(6) Purchase Order Number 106

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Mary Bonnette, the committee recommended to repair a walk-in freezer at Riverside Elementary School at a cost not to exceed \$7,200. MOTION CARRIED.

(7) Purchase Order Number 107

Upon motion by Steve Marcotte, seconded by Dwayne Lemoine, the committee recommended to purchase a new riding mower for the Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy for \$7,424. MOTION CARRIED.

(8) Purchase Order Number 108

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Mary Bonnette, the committee recommended to replace the floor in the front and the back hallway at Lafargue Elementary School and cafeteria not to exceed \$16,500. MOTION CARRIED.

(9) Purchase Order Number 109

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Steve Marcotte, the committee recommended to construct a 125-foot catwalk at Marksville Elementary School near the cafeteria at a cost of \$6,500. MOTION CARRIED.

(10) A request was made to re-roof the Marksville Elementary School at a cost of \$225,000. Upon motion by Steve Marcotte, seconded by Mary Bonnette, the committee recommended to bring this matter to the Finance Committee for funding sources and Federal Judge approval. MOTION CARRIED.

(11) The committee discussed a request from Marksville Elementary School for 11 double exterior doors at a cost of \$62,700. A motion was offered by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Steve Marcotte, to table this item as it was in the original Seven Year Plan. MOTION CARRIED.

(12) Purchase Order Number 110

Upon motion by Steve Marcotte, seconded by Dwayne Lemoine, the committee recommended to approve a request from Marksville Elementary School to purchase 15 magnetic dry eraser boards at a cost of approximately \$7,125 and to utilize 30 boards previously donated by M.D. Descant Construction Company. MOTION CARRIED.

(13) Purchase Order Number 111

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Thelma Prater, the committee recommended to purchase two (2) metal exterior benches for Marksville Elementary School at a cost of \$1,100. MOTION CARRIED.

(14) Purchase Order Number 112

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Steve Marcotte, the committee recommended to replace the intercom system at Marksville High School at a cost of \$15,935. MOTION CARRIED.

(15) A request was made by all four high schools for security cameras.

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Steve Marcotte, the committee recommended to table the request due to the fact that it prevents administrators from being visible on campus. MOTION CARRIED.

(16) A request was made from Marksville High School to replace the sound system in the auditorium. Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Steve Marcotte, the committee recommended to table this item due to the fact that it is in the Avoyelles Parish School Board Seven Year Plan. MOTION CARRIED.

(17) Purchase Order Number 113

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Steve Marcotte, the committee recommended to allow Avoyelles High School to install blinds at a cost not to exceed \$14,000. MOTION CARRIED.

(18) Purchase Order Number 114

Upon motion by Dwayne Lemoine, seconded by Steve Marcotte, the committee recommended to purchase a computer lab for Plaquemine Elementary School at a cost of \$28,110, pending a technology assessment review by the Avoyelles Parish School Board's technology department. MOTION CARRIED.

Assistant Superintendent Prater also presented the Three Board Member Screening Committee Report, as follows:

Three Board Member Screening Committee Report  
August 20, 2012

The Screening Committee met Monday, August 20, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in Room C of the School Board Office with the following members present:

Freeman Ford, Van Kojis, and Michael Lacombe, Board Members; Dwayne Lemoine, Superintendent; Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; and Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor.

Mrs. Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent, presented the "Superintendent's Needs Assessment Committee Report" for the committee's review. The following action was taken by the committee as indicated in bold.

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**Upon motion by Michael Lacombe, seconded by Van Kojis, the committee agreed to refinish the administration area flooring at Avoyelles High School at a cost of \$8,748. MOTION CARRIED.**

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**Upon motion by Van Kojis, seconded by Michael Lacombe, the committee agreed to repair a walk-in freezer at Riverside Elementary School at a cost not to exceed \$7,200. MOTION CARRIED.**

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**A motion was offered by Michael Lacombe, seconded by Van Kojis, that the committee replace the floor in the front and back hallway at Lafargue Elementary School and cafeteria not to exceed \$16,500. The vote was as follows: Ayes: Michael Lacombe and Van Kojis. Nays: Freeman Ford.**

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**Upon motion by Freeman Ford, seconded by Van Kojis, the committee agreed to construct a 125-foot catwalk at Marksville Elementary School near the cafeteria at a cost of \$6,500. MOTION CARRIED.**

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**A discussion was held regarding this item.**

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**A discussion was held regarding this item.**

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**Upon motion by Freeman Ford, seconded by Van Kojis, the committee agreed to purchase 15 magnetic dry eraser boards for Marksville Elementary School at a cost of approximately \$7,125 and to utilize 30 boards previously donated by M.D. Descant Construction Company. MOTION CARRIED.**

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**A motion was offered by Van Kojis, seconded by Michael Lacombe, to allow Avoyelles High School to install blinds at a cost not to exceed \$14,000. The vote was as follows: Ayes: Michael Lacombe and Van Kojis. Nays: Freeman Ford.**

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**Upon motion by Michael Lacombe, seconded by Van Kojis, the committee agreed to purchase a computer lab for Plaucheville Elementary School at a cost of \$28,110, pending a technology assessment review by the Avoyelles Parish School Board's technology department. MOTION CARRIED.**

There being no further business, on motion by Michael Lacombe, seconded by Van Kojis, the meeting was adjourned.

Thelma Prater  
Assistant Superintendent

Upon motion by Van Kojis, seconded by Michael Lacombe, the Finance Committee recommended to approve the Superintendent's Needs Assessment Committee Report of July 30, 2012, and the Three Board Member Screening Committee Report of August 20, 2012, contingent upon Mr. Ford's visit to Lafargue Elementary School and Avoyelles High School and approval of Purchase Order Number 108 and 113. MOTION CARRIED.

The Finance Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Chairman  
Finance Committee

A motion was offered by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., seconded by Van Kojis, to adopt the Finance Committee Report as presented by Chairman Mayeux.

The motion was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Freeman Ford, Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., James Gauthier,  
Lizzie Ned, and Van Kojis.

Nays: Darrell Wiley, Shelia Blackman-Dupas, and Michael Lacombe.

5. Mr. Van Kojis, Chairman of the Building and Lands Committee, presented the following report:

Building and Lands Committee Report  
August 21, 2012

The Building and Lands Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met Tuesday, August 21, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office with the following members present:

Van Kojis, Chairman; Lizzie Ned, Darrell Wiley, James Gauthier, President; and Dwayne Lemoine, Superintendent. Mrs. Cindy Hill was absent. Also present were Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr. and Michael Lacombe, Board Members; and Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor.

The Building and Lands Committee discussed the acceptance of a transition building from Miguez Deloach and Company.

Upon motion by Lizzie Ned, seconded by Van Kojis, the Building and Lands Committee recommended approval of the acceptance of this building, pending Federal Court approval. MOTION CARRIED.

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

Van Kojis, Chairman  
Building and Lands Committee

On motion by Van Kojis, seconded by Michael Lacombe, the Board adopted the Building and Lands Committee Report as presented by Chairman Kojis. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Mr. Darrell Wiley, Chairman of the Education Committee, presented the following report:

Education Committee Report  
August 21, 2012

The Education Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met Tuesday, August 21, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. at the School Board Office with the following members present:

Darrell Wiley, Chairman; Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Michael Lacombe, James Gauthier, President; and Dwayne Lemoine, Superintendent. Mrs. Shelia-Blackman was absent. Also present were Van Kojis, Board Member; and Randy Littleton, Supervisor of Elementary Education.

1. Superintendent Dwayne Lemoine presented an update report on the first week of school for the 2012-2013 school year.

2. Mr. Randy Littleton, Supervisor of Elementary Education, presented an update on the Whole Faculty Study Group.

Mr. Littleton presented a report on the Whole Faculty Study Group process. The committee did not take any action.

The Education Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Darrell Wiley, Chairman  
Education Committee

On motion by Darrell Wiley, seconded by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., the Board adopted the Education Committee Report as presented by Chairman Wiley. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Mr. Freeman Ford, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the following report:

Executive Committee Report  
August 28, 2012

The Executive Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met Tuesday, August 28, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. at the School Board Office with the following members present:

Freeman Ford, Chairman; Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Cindy Hill, Michael Lacombe, James Gauthier, President; and Dwayne Lemoine, Superintendent. Also present were Darrell Wiley and Van Kojis, Board Members; Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent; and Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance.

1. Upon motion by Michael Lacombe, seconded by Cindy Hill, the Executive Committee recommended to authorize the Superintendent to execute the "2012-2013 Healthy Behaviors Grant" sponsored by The Rapides Foundation in the amount of \$13,750. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Upon motion by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., seconded by Michael Lacombe, the Executive Committee recommended to approve the policies submitted by Mr. James Prescott, Jr. of Forethought Consulting, Incorporated, as follows, with the exception of File: GBRIBB - Sick Leave Bank: MOTION CARRIED.

(a)	File: ABB	Powers and Responsibilities
(b)	File: BD	School Board Policy
(c)	File: CCB	Line and Staff Relations
(d)	File: GAMC	Employee Investigations
(e)	File: GBB	Personnel Positions
(f)	File: GBI	Evaluation of Personnel
(g)	File: GBJ	Promotion
(h)	File: GBK	Employee Discipline
(i)	File: GBKA	Suspension of Employees
(j)	File: GBM	Personnel Transfer
(k)	File: GBO	Resignation

(l)	File: GBRB	Employee Attendance
(m)	File: GBRHA	Sabbatical Leave
(n)	File: GBRI	Personal Leaves and Absences
(o)	File: GBRIB	Sick Leave
(p)	File: GBRIBB	Sick Leave Bank
(q)	File: GBRJ	Substitute Personnel

3. Upon motion by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., seconded by Michael Lacombe, the Executive Committee recommended to refer File: GBRIBB - Sick Leave Bank to the full Board for consideration. MOTION CARRIED.

The Executive Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Freeman Ford, Chairman  
Executive Committee

On motion by Freeman Ford, seconded by Darrell Wiley, the Board adopted the Executive Committee Report as presented by Chairman Ford. MOTION CARRIED.

8. In lieu of Chairman Cynthia “Cindy” Hill’s absence, Mr. Van Kojis, Member of the Bus Committee, presented the following report:

Bus Committee Report  
August 28, 2012

The Bus Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met Tuesday, August 28, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office with the following members present:

Cynthia “Cindy” Hill, Chairman; Van Kojis, Darrell Wiley, James Gauthier, President; and Dwayne Lemoine, Superintendent. Mrs. Lizzie Ned was absent. Also present were Freeman Ford, Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr. and Michael Lacombe, Board Members; Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent; Wilfred Ducote, Transportation Supervisor; Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor; Cathy Brouillette, Principal of Marksville Elementary School; and Marvin Hall, Principal of Marksville High School.

1. The Bus Committee discussed the busing system at Marksville High School.

Chairman Cindy Hill recognized Mr. Marvin Hall, Principal at Marksville High School, for the purpose of updating the committee regarding the busing system.

Transportation Supervisor Wilfred Ducote also updated the committee on the transportation system in the parish.

The committee acknowledged that the transportation system was working more efficiently.

There being no further business, on motion by Van Kojis, seconded by Darrell Wiley, the meeting was adjourned.

The Bus Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of this report.

Cynthia "Cindy" Hill, Chairman  
Bus Committee

On motion by Van Kojis, seconded by Lizzie Ned, the Board adopted the Bus Committee Report as presented by Member Van Kojis. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Mr. Wilfred Ducote, Transportation Supervisor, presented the award for PCAL Bus Driver of the Year to Mr. James Williams.

10. Ms. Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance, presented a report of the Bid-Opening Committee for fiscal agent for the period November 1, 2012, through October 31, 2014.

#### Bid-Opening Committee Report

A committee met on September 4, 2012, at 4:10 p.m. for the purpose of opening fiscal agent bids for the period beginning November 1, 2012 through October 31, 2014. The committee consisted of James Gauthier, Board President; Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Board Member; Michael Lacombe, Board Member; Debbie Bain, Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; and Jaimie Lacombe, Accountant.

Mrs. Bonnette reviewed the bid received from Capital One and advised the committee of estimated net earnings per year of \$80,598, which includes service charges at a minimum interest rate of .35%

Mrs. Bonnette recognized representatives from Capital One Bank, Mr. Thomas Govan and Ms. Rhonda Gaspard, who were present at the meeting.

On motion by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., seconded by Van Kojis, the Board accepted the Bid-Opening Committee Report as presented by Ms. Mary Bonnette and named Capital One Bank as fiscal agent for the Board for the period November 1, 2012, through October 31, 2014. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Ms. Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance, presented a report on a public hearing held at 4:00 p.m. on September 4, 2012, regarding millage rates.

#### Report on the Public Hearing Regarding Millage Rates

A public hearing was held on Tuesday, September 4, 2012, at 4:00 p.m. regarding the Avoyelles Parish School Board's millage rates. Those present were as follows: Michael Lacombe, School Board Member; Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., School Board Member; James Gauthier, School Board President; Mary Bonnette, Finance Director; Wilfred Ducote,

Transportation Supervisor; Debbie Bain, Child Welfare Supervisor; and Jaimie Lacombe, Chief Account. No questions or comments were presented from the public. The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

A) RESOLUTION NUMBER 1

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Avoyelles Parish School Board of the Parish of Avoyelles, Louisiana, in a public meeting/hearing held on September 4, 2012 which meeting/hearing was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23 (C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following adjusted millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem within said Parish for the year 2012 for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

School District Regular	3.40 mills
School District (CR)	4.70 mills
School District (AF)	4.70 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assessor of the Parish of Avoyelles, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2012 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

Yeas: Freeman Ford, Darrell Wiley, Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Shelia Blackman-Dupas, James Gauthier, Michael Lacombe, Lizzie Ned, and Van Kojis.

Nays: None.

Abstained: None

Absent: Cynthia "Cindy" Hill.

B) RESOLUTION NUMBER 2

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Avoyelles Parish School Board of the Parish of Avoyelles, Louisiana, in a public hearing/meeting held on September 4, 2012 which meeting/hearing was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B) , that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), in all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2012, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>Levy</u>
School District Regular	3.40 Mills	3.62 Mills
School District (CR)	4.70 Mills	5.00 Mills
School District (AF)	4.70 Mills	5.00 Mills
Employee Salary Tax		10.00 Mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assessor the Parish of Avoyelles shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2012 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by no less than two-thirds of the total membership of the taxing authority voting in favor as required by Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B). The votes were:

Yeas: Freeman Ford, Darrell Wiley, Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., Shelia Blackman-Dupas, James Gauthier, Michael Lacombe, Lizzie Ned, and Van Kojis.

Nays: None.

Abstained: None

Absent: Cynthia "Cindy" Hill.

On motion by Freeman Ford, seconded by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., the Board adopted the report on the public hearing as presented by Ms. Bonnette regarding millage rates. MOTION CARRIED.

On motion by Van Kojis, seconded by Lizzie Ned, the Board adopted the adjusted millage rate as presented by Ms. Mary Bonnette and discussed in the public hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

On motion by Freeman Ford, seconded by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., the Board set forth the adjusted millage rate and roll forward to a millage rate not to exceed the maximum authorized rate as presented by Ms. Mary Bonnette and discussed in the public hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

On motion by Darrell Wiley, seconded by Carlos A. Mayeux, Jr., the Board adopted the adjusted 2012 levy as presented by Ms. Mary Bonnette and discussed in the public hearing. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Superintendent Dwayne Lemoine presented personnel changes for the Board's review, as follows:

## PERSONNEL CHANGES

**BUNKIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LEARNING ACADEMY:** Appointment of Josephine Stevenson, (retired) teacher, effective August 20, 2012 through December 21, 2012, replacing Debbie Hart (school based budget); appointment of Peggy Joshua, (retired) teacher, effective August 20, 2012 through December 21, 2012, replacing Donna Jeansonne while on leave (school based budget); and resignation of Stevie L. Davis, teacher, effective August 14, 2012.

**COTTONPORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** Appointment of Lauren Ducote, (retired) teacher, effective August 13, 2012 through December 21, 2012 (school based budget); resignation of Allison Hebert, teacher, effective August 9, 2012; and resignation of Christine Knight, paraprofessional, effective October 1, 2012, for the purpose of retirement.

**LAFARGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** Appointment of Sheterica Bradley, teacher, effective August 15, 2012 through December 22, 2012.

**MARKSVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** Appointment of Tracy S. Franks, teacher, effective September 4, 2012 through May 22, 2013; appointment of Beatrice Benjamin, special education paraprofessional, effective August 10, 2012, replacing Tiffany Turnage; Correction in date of appointment: Appointment of Deanna Wall, teacher, effective August 6, 2012 through December 21, 2012; and resignation of Gail Harvey, teacher, effective at the end of the day August 24, 2012.

**RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** Resignation of Allison B. Plauche, paraprofessional, effective at the end of the day August 22, 2012; and transfer/appointment of Tiffany Turnage, Pre-K Title I paraprofessional, effective August 23, 2012, replacing Allison B. Plauche.

**AVOYELLES HIGH SCHOOL:** Appointment of Richard L. Hinton, Jr., teacher, effective August 6, 2012 through December 21, 2012 (school based budget); and Revision in appointment: Appointment of Betty Bordelon, (retired) teacher, from part-time to full-time, effective August 6, 2012 through December 21, 2012.

**BUNKIE HIGH SCHOOL:** Appointment of Sarah Abbott, teacher, effective August 8, 2012 through December 21, 2012; appointment of Annette Richard, teacher, effective August 13, 2012 through May 21, 2013; resignation of Alaina Joy Sampson, teacher/coach, effective August 1, 2012; and resignation of Celeste Dausat, effective August 1, 2012.

**LOUISIANA SCHOOL FOR THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES:** Resignation of Yvonne M. Chimwaza, teacher, effective at the end of the day August 13, 2012; and appointment of Ronald Roy, (retired) teacher, effective August 14, 2012 through December 21, 2012 (school based budget).

**MARKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL:** Appointment of Barbara Cole, (retired) teacher, (part-time), effective August 6, 2012 through December 21, 2012; appointment of Tracy S. Franks, teacher, effective August 13, 2012 through August 31, 2012; appointment of Robert Miller, teacher, effective August 13, 2012 through May 22, 2013 (school based budget); appointment of Yuliana



J. Johnson, teacher, effective August 13, 2012 through December 21, 2012; appointment of Agatha Fontenot-Mayeaux, teacher, effective August 20, 2012 through May 22, 2013; appointment of Leslie K. Davis, teacher, effective September 4, 2012 through December 21, 2012; Correction in appointment: Appointment of Dolly Rousseau, teacher, effective August 6, 2012 through May 22, 2013 (Title II funding); resignation of Sara Brister, teacher, effective August 1, 2012; and transfer/appointment of Sonya S. Gagnard, school secretary, from Riverside Elementary School, effective August 13, 2012.

AVOYELLES PARISH SCHOOL BOARD CENTRAL OFFICE: Appointment of Irma Andress, Director of Federal Programs, effective August 27, 2012 through August 27, 2014, replacing Mrs. Thelma Prater; and resignation of Tanya Smith, Purchase Order Clerk, effective September 3, 2012.

**ADDENDUM(S)**  
**9/4/2012**

AVOYELLES PARISH SCHOOL BOARD CENTRAL OFFICE: Resignation of Pat Ours, Title I Visiting Teacher, effective September 7, 2012, for the purpose of retirement; and transfer/appointment of Carolyn DeCuir, from receptionist to Purchase Order Clerk in the Finance Department, effective September 4, 2012.

12. On motion by Darrell Wiley, seconded by Van Kojis, the Board went into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's evaluation. MOTION CARRIED.

The Board reconvened in open public session at approximately 6:20 p.m.

On motion by Freeman Ford, seconded by Shelia Blackman-Dupas, the Board agreed to submit the Superintendent Performance Objectives as discussed in Executive Session to the Louisiana State Department of Education. MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further business, on motion by Freeman Ford, seconded by Van Kojis, the meeting was adjourned.

AVOYELLES PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

James Gauthier, President

Dwayne Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer

