

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, May 2, 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; Lynn Deloach, Keith Lacombe, Jay Callegari, Chris Robinson, and Jill Guidry. Board member Latisha Small entered the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Absent: Aimee Dupuy.

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 Jill Guidry.

1. On motion by Lynn Deloach, seconded by Jay Callegari, the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, and Special Board Meeting held on April 18, 2023 as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
2. A. Board Vice President Rickey Adams read a resolution of respect to the late Delories Mae Wilson, retired teacher.

On motion by Rickey Adams, seconded by Chris Robinson, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Delories Mae Wilson, retired teacher. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Board member Latisha Small read a resolution of respect to the late Landry Gaspard, retired agriculture teacher.

On motion by Latisha Small, seconded by Lynn Deloach, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Landry Gaspard, retired agriculture teacher. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

Robert Jenkins, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Bryli Tompkins, Cottonport Elementary School; Kaylee Burlew, Lafargue Elementary School; Payton McCauley, Marksville Elementary School; Kaden Webb, Plaucheville Elementary School; Jazell Bell,

Riverside Elementary School; Trista Archibeque, Avoyelles High School; Jaylen Jackson, Bunkie Magnet High School; Spencer Bordelon, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Grace Blanchard, 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 April, 2023. She commended the teachers for their dedication, and Superintendent Tutor presented a plaque to each teacher, as follows:

Peggy Joshua, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Keonte Wells, Cottonport Elementary School; Lin da Gagnard, Lafargue Elementary School; Rachel Miles, Marksville Elementary School; Rachael Martin, Plaquemine Elementary School; Samaria Allen, Riverside Elementary School; Carrie Kimble Avoyelles High School; Cherrie Callahan, Bunkie Magnet High School; Sarah Dupont, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Joseph Greenhouse, Marksville High School.

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

5. Wendy Marchand, Curriculum Supervisor, recognized the 2024 Teacher of the Year winners, as follows:

Elementary School Level:

Chrissy Grayson, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Kayla Landry, Cottonport Elementary School; Gabre Williams, Lafargue Elementary School; Melissa Bordelon, Marksville Elementary School; Michel Morgan, Plaquemine Elementary School; and William Beebe, Riverside Elementary School.

District Winner: Kayla Landry, Cottonport Elementary School

Middle School Level:

Brianna Vaccaro, Avoyelles High School; Debra Leblanc, Bunkie Magnet High School; Keri Desselle, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Lauren Flook, Marksville High School.

District Winner: Debra Leblanc, Bunkie Magnet High School

High School Level:

Jodie Melancon, Avoyelles High School; Dylan West, Bunkie Magnet High School; and Julie Humble, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences.

District Winner: Jodie Melancon, Avoyelles High School