

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office, in Marksville, Louisiana, with the following members present:

Aimee Dupuy, President; Chris Robinson, Vice-President; Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, Robin Moreau, and Stanley Celestine, Jr.

Absent: Chris Lacour, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.

An Invocation was offered by Board member Lynn Deloach.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America led by Board member Robin Moreau.

A motion was made by Robin Moreau, seconded by Chris Robinson, to remove Item #8 (discussion of concern for lack of Covid days for 2021-22 school year) from the agenda; also to add an item to the agenda (request for permission to bid out bread, milk, supplies, grease trap, garbage disposal, and food); and also to add Executive Session to the agenda (for discussion of a potential settlement of Muscle Lake Road). MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

1. On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Stanley Celestine, Jr., the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Board Member Robin Moreau read a resolution of respect to the late Emery LaGrange, retired custodian.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Lynn Deloach, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Emery LaGrange, retired custodian. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Superintendent Karen Tutor recognized the Students of the Month for January, 2022. 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:

Paige Woodall, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Ariana Armand, Cottonport Elementary School; Brayden Sayer, Lafargue Elementary School; Kauai'Makyi Voorhies, Marksville Elementary School; Caden Romero, Plaucheville Elementary School; Aariauna Wallace, Riverside Elementary School; Bailee Battiste, Avoyelles High School; Rylie Hernandez, Bunkie Magnet High School; Lindy Aney, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Lavarion Palmer, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Aimee Dupuy commended the students on this outstanding achievement.

4. Assistant Superintendent Thelma Prater recognized the Teachers of the Month for January, 2022. She commended the teachers for their dedication, and Superintendent Tutor presented a plaque to each teacher, as follows:

Victoria Clark, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Shirley Mamou, Cottonport Elementary School; Valerie Bordelon, Lafargue Elementary School; Judy Rivers, Marksville Elementary School; Nikki Clark, Plaquemine Elementary School; Aslyn Dennie, Riverside Elementary School; Cameron Adams, Avoyelles High School; Elizabeth Mayeaux, Bunkie Magnet High School; Shea Jeansonne, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Morgan Thornhill, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Aimee Dupuy congratulated the teachers on this outstanding achievement.

5. Jessica Gauthier, SIS Coordinator, recognized the 8th and 12th grade Students of the Year 2022, as follows:

8th Grade: Akina Jenkins, Avoyelles High School; Cain Milligan, Bunkie Magnet High School; Aubree Patterson, LaSAS; and Jacey Merrell, Marksville High School.

*District Winner: Cain Milligan, Bunkie Magnet High School.

12th Grade: Anna Gautreaux, Avoyelles High School; Bryce Juneau, Bunkie Magnet High School; Layla Armand, LaSAS; and A'veiona Francisco, Marksville High School.

*District Winner: Anna Gautreaux, Avoyelles High School.

6. Committee Reports

(a) Due to Chairman of the Bus Committee Rickey Adams' absence, President Aimee Dupuy presented the following report:

BUS COMMITTEE REPORT JANUARY 18, 2022

The Bus Committee of the Avoyelles Parish School Board met on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at approximately 4:30 p.m. at Avoyelles High School with the following members present:

Chris Robinson; Aimee Dupuy, President; Karen L. Tutor, Superintendent; and Thelma Prater, Assistant Superintendent. Chairman Rickey Adams and Committee members Latisha Small and Chris Lacour were absent. Also present were Lynn Deloach, Robin Moreau, Stanley Celestine, Jr., and Jill Guidry, Board members; Mary Bonnette, Director of Finance; Brent Whiddon, Transportation Supervisor; Steve Marcotte, Maintenance Supervisor; other supervisors, coordinators, and principals.