SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office in Marksville, Louisiana, with the following members present:

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

Absent: Jay Callegari.

- 1. An Invocation was offered by Dexter Compton, Supervisor of Curriculum.
- 2. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America led by Board member Chris Robinson.
- 3. On motion by Lynn Deloach, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 4. Superintendent Karen Tutor recognized the Students of the Month for September, 2025, and 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:

Dominic Griffin, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Averi Lachney, Cottonport Elementary School; Mariah Sampson, Lafargue Elementary School; Kinley Young, Marksville Elementary School; John Laborde, Plaucheville Elementary School; Gabriel Allen, Riverside Elementary School; Cheyann Coco, Avoyelles High School; Sebastian Hernandez, Bunkie Magnet High School; Meah Dupuis, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Leyah Williams, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Rickey Adams commended the students on this outstanding achievement.

5. Assistant Superintendent Thelma J. Prater recognized the Teachers of the Month for September, 2025. She commended the teachers for their dedication, and Superintendent Tutor presented a plaque to each teacher, as follows:

Alexandrea Simon, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Allison Lacombe, Cottonport Elementary School; Sabrina Scriber, Lafargue Elementary School; Alexis Armand, Marksville Elementary School; Amber Arnouville, Plaucheville Elementary School; Amber Bordelon, Riverside Elementary School; Michelle Newsom, Avoyelles High School; April Mabou, Bunkie Magnet High School; Brandy Hoyt, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Joseph Greenhouse, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Rickey Adams commended the teachers on this outstanding achievement.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- 6. Jessica Rachal, Sales Tax Supervisor, presented the Sales Tax Report for the month of September, 2025. Sales tax collections totaled \$910,302.01. Of this amount, the 1% sales tax generated \$520,172.58, the 0.25% sales tax generated \$130,043.14, and the building and maintenance fund generated \$260,086.29.
- 7. Mary Bonnette, Finance Director, addressed the Board with a review of the 2024-2025 General Fund Financials.
- 8. The monthly maintenance report on expenditures was presented.
- 9. Mary Bonnette, Finance Director, addressed the Board to present the 2025-2026 Year-to-Date Report with Comparisons.
- 10. Mary Bonnette, Finance Director, addressed the Board with information regarding upcoming sales tax and ad valorem tax renewals.
- 11. Marcus Guillory addressed the Board with preliminary pictures of the New Community Education Campus.
- 12. Marcus Guillory addressed the Board with a Wastewater Plan for the new campus that also addresses water issues at LaSAS.
- 13. The following personnel changes were reported for the Board's review:

PERSONNEL CHANGES

BUNKIE ELEMENTARY LEARNING ACADEMY	Appointment of Jada M. Hills, school nurse, effective October 21, 2025.
COTTONPORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Resignation of Baylee Victoria Lemoine, teacher, effective October 10, 2025.
LAFARGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Appointment of Vanessa B. Ellington, teacher, effective September 18, 2025 through May 27, 2026.
PLAUCHEVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Transfer/Appointment of Ashley S. St. Romain, from Marksville High, (TAT) 5 th grade science and social studies teacher,

effective September 23, 2025 through December 19, 2025.

Change appointment date for Jessica Alexander Gauthier, teacher, effective August 4, 2025 through May 27, 2026.

Transfer/Appointment of Holly P. Pickett, teacher, from Title I SCR to General Fund, effective October 1, 2025 through May 27, 2026.

Transfer/Appointment of Cecelia N. Clark, teacher, from General Fund to Title I CSR, effective October 1, 2025 through May 27, 2026.

Transfer/Appointment of Amber A. Arnouville, teacher, from Pre-K Special Education to Title I Pre-K, effective October 1, 2025 through May 27, 2026.

Transfer/Appointment of Kylee R. Voorhies, (TAT) teacher, from General Fund to Pre-K Special Education, effective October 1, 2025 through December 19, 2025.

Transfer/Appointment of Mollie E. Lemoine Title I School-Wide paraprofessional to Special Education K-3 High Needs paraprofessional, effective October 8, 2025.

Resignation of Heather Hukins, teacher, effective October 10, 2025.

Discontinuance of active employment status of Megan Bradford, food service technician, effective August 7, 2025.

Discontinuance of active employment status of Janell Aymond, special education paraprofessional, effective September 11, 2025.

AVOYELLES HIGH SCHOOL

Resignation of Philip Meche, custodian, effective at the end of the day September 30, 2025, for the purpose of retirement.

Resignation of Andria Brouillette, bus driver, effective October 17, 2025.

BUNKIE MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL

Resignation of Chalayne Beaubouef, social worker, effective October 24, 2025.

Resignation of Felicia Armand, business teacher, effective October 5, 2025.

Appointment of Kedrick D. Vance, (TAT) teacher, effective October 7, 2025 through December 19, 2025.

Resignation of Clara Juneau, bus driver, effective at the end of the day December 31, 2025, for the purpose of retirement.

MARKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Resignation of Morgan Moton, food service manager, effective October 24, 2025.

Transfer/Appointment of Melissa Kelone, from food service technician at Marksville Elementary to food service manager, effective October 28, 2025.

PUPIL APPRAISAL

Change appointment status on Catherine D. Tyler, (retired) to two-days Early Interventionist teacher part-time, and one-day Gifted teacher part-time, effective October 21, 2025 to December 19, 2025.

CENTRAL OFFICE

Change of funding source for Wendy T. Marchand, curriculum supervisor, from Title I to General Fund, effective July 1, 2025.

CONSENT ITEMS:

14. Request to approve the revised lease agreements between PEAC Solutions and Avoyelles Parish School Board for Xerox machine.

- 15. Request to approve the lease agreement between PEAC Solutions and Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy for Xerox machine.
- 16. Request to approve the lease agreement between PEAC Solutions and Cottonport Elementary School for Xerox machine.
- 17. Request to approve the contract with Soliant/Vovo Vision Speech Virtual Therapist at Lafargue Elementary School in the amount of \$90 per hour, funded by General Fund.
- 18. Request to approve the MOU between Louisiana Workforce Commission/Louisiana Rehab Services and Avoyelles Parish School District.
- 19. Request to approve the Everway-Unique Learning Systems in the amount of \$19,570.55, funded by IDEA-B.
- 20. Request to approve the Pupil Progression Plan.
- 21. Request to approve the purchase of curriculum material and PD, funded as listed.
- 22. Request to approve the Gaggle Safety Management from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$29,150.00, funded by Title IV.
- 23. Request to approve the revised 2025-2026 District Parent and Family Engagement Policy.
- 24. Request to approve and sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the Louisiana Cyber Assurance Program. This agreement with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness will provide free new services that include: Security Operations Center (SOC) monitoring using a SIEM/SOAR platform, external attack surface scanning, intelligence sharing, and STIX/TAXII threat feeds.
- 25. Request to approve releasing RFP for Category 2 technology products for 2026-2029.
- 26. Request to purchase a forklift for Ag and other CTE programs earning industry-based certifications founded by Career Development Funds (CDF) in the amount of \$21,569.00.
- 27. Request to approve the Grading Policy Revision for Grades 7-12.
- 28. Request to approve patch wall and prime walls at Marksville Elementary by Perry's Painting and Drywall, LLC in the amount of \$13,860, funded by School Food Service (SFS) Fund 135.
- Request to approve Cottonport Elementary School Cafeteria upgrades, including the serving line, with Rusk Construction, LLC for a total of \$11,970 to be paid with SFS Fund 135.

- 30. Request to replace mini-split A/C in BELA principal's office from Air Plus of Scott, LA, for \$6900, funded by Maintenance.
- 31. Request to approve the contract with DCFS to transport foster kids.
- 32. Request to approve the revised job description for Finance A/P Clerk with no change in salary.
- 33. Request to approve overnight travel requests.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Keith Lacombe, the Board approved the consent agenda items. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ACTION ITEMS:

34. Mary Bonnette, Finance Director, addressed the Board with a recommendation to approve the Resolution for 2025 Fall Surplus Distributions at a total cost of approximately \$1,900,000.00.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board approved the 2025 Fall Surplus Distributions at a total cost of approximately \$1,900,000.00. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

35. Ray Carlock, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Board with a recommendation to approve an interfund loan in the amount of \$250,000 from the capital outlay fund to the FFA fund for the proposed construction of the FFA Camp in Old River.

A motion was made by Robin Moreau, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, that the Board approve the interfund loan in the amount of \$250,000 from the capital outlay fund to the FFA fund for the proposed construction of the FFA Camp in Old River. The motion was adopted by the following 7-1 vote:

YEAS: Robin Moreau, Aimee Dupuy, Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach,

Keith Lacombe, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.

NAYS: Chris Robinson.

36. Ray Carlock, Maintenance Supervisor, addressed the Board with a recommendation to approve the purchase of one (1) used 2022 air-conditioned, air brake, gas, handicapaccessible bus from Ross Bus and Equipment for \$97,000. This purchase will be based on an October 2, 2025, invitation to bid on buses, funded by the Bus Reserve Fund.

On motion by Aimee Dupuy, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board approved the purchase of one (1) used 2022 air-conditioned, air brake, gas, handicap-accessible bus from Ross

Bus and Equipment for \$97,000, funded by the Bus Reserve Fund. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There being no further business, on motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Jill Guidry, the meeting was adjourned.

AVOYELLES PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Rickey Adams, President

Karen L. Putor, Superintendent

Secretary/Treasurer