

## SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 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, and Jill Guidry.

Absent: Aimee Dupuy.

An Invocation was offered by Ray Carlock, Maintenance Supervisor.

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

1. Superintendent Karen L. Tutor addressed the Board with a proclamation declaring January 2024 as School Board Members Recognition Month.

2. Superintendent Karen L. Tutor presented a plaque to outgoing President Robin Moreau and outgoing Vice President Rickey Adams for their service and dedication to the Board for the period January 10, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

3. Superintendent Karen L. Tutor advised the Board that the terms of the offices of President and Vice President of the Avoyelles Parish School Board have expired. She then called for nominations for the office of President.

Board member Robin Moreau placed the name of Lynn Deloach in nomination for the office of President. Board member Jill Guidry seconded this nomination.

No other nominations were made.

Board member Robin Moreau moved that nominations for the office of President be closed. The motion was seconded by Jay Callegari.

Superintendent Karen L. Tutor requested that the Board members cast their votes.

YAYS: Lynn Deloach, Keith Lacombe, Robin Moreau, Jay Callegari, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.

NAYS: Latisha Small and Chris Robinson.

ABSENT: Aimee Dupuy.

By a vote of 6-2, Lynn Deloach was elected as President of the Avoyelles Parish School Board for the 2024 school year.

4. President Lynn Deloach called for nominations for the office of Vice President.

Board Member Chris Robinson placed the name of Jill Guidry in nomination for the office of Vice President. Board member Rickey Adams seconded this nomination.

No other nominations were made.

Board member Robin Moreau moved that nominations for the office of Vice President be closed. The motion was seconded by Chris Robinson.

President Lynn Deloach requested that the Board members cast their votes.

YAYS: Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, Keith Lacombe, Robin Moreau, Jay Callegari, Chris Robinson, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Aimee Dupuy.

By a vote of 8-0, Jill Guidry was elected as Vice President of the Avoyelles Parish School Board for the 2024 school year.

5. On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Jill Guidry, the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. A. Board President Lynn Deloach read a resolution of respect to the late Sarah Lazenby Bordelon, retired teacher.

On motion by Robin Moreau, seconded by Latisha Small, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Sarah Lazenby Bordelon, retired teacher. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Board President Lynn Deloach read a resolution of respect to the late Herbie Fuqua, retired bus driver.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Herbie Fuqua, retired bus driver. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Board Member Latisha Small read a resolution of respect to the late Annatrail Greenhouse Simon, retired teacher.

On motion by Latisha Small, seconded by Robin Moreau, the Board adopted the resolution of respect to the late Annatrail Greenhouse Simon, retired teacher. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Board member Latisha Small left the meeting at approximately 5:18 p.m.

7. Superintendent Karen Tutor recognized the Students of the Month for December, 2023, 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:

Jackson Griffin, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Tylor Williams, Cottonport Elementary School; Brayden Whittington, Lafargue Elementary School; Madison Brantley, Marksville Elementary School; Tony Fisher, Plaquemine Elementary School; Jaylen Tompkins, Riverside Elementary School; Zeke Mose, Avoyelles High School; Noah Lott, Bunkie Magnet High School; Abby Tassin, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Kyra Jones, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Lynn Deloach commended the students on this outstanding achievement.

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

Summer Jackson, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Joe Head, Cottonport Elementary School; Lin da Gagnard, Lafargue Elementary School; Rachel Miles, Marksville Elementary School; Kristin Hukins, Plaquemine Elementary School; Yvonne Bassett, Riverside Elementary School; Corey Bannister, Avoyelles High School; Abigail Juneau, Bunkie Magnet High School; Bonnie Leduc, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Devin Tipton, Marksville High School.

On behalf of the Board, President Lynn Deloach commended the teachers on this outstanding achievement.

9. In the absence of Curriculum Supervisor Wendy Marchand, Superintendent Tutor addressed the Board with a recommendation to approve the Louisiana Math Refresh Coaching Pilot for K-8 teachers, funded by Esser III Incentive in the amount of \$80,000.00.

A motion was offered by Jill Guidry, seconded by Rickey Adams, that the Board approve the Louisiana Math Refresh Coaching Pilot for K-8 teachers, funded by Esser III Incentive in the amount of \$80,000.00. The motion was adopted by the following 6-1 vote:

YAYS: Lynn Deloach, Keith Lacombe, Robin Moreau, Jay Callegari, Rickey Adams, and Jill Guidry.