

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

The Avoyelles Parish School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office, in Marksville, Louisiana, with the following members present:

Robin Moreau, President; Latisha Small, Lynn Deloach, Keith Lacombe, Jay Callegari, Chris Robinson, Jill Guidry and Aimee Dupuy.

Rickey Adams, Vice-President joined the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Absent: None.

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 Aimee Dupuy.

1. On motion by Aimee Dupuy, seconded by Lynn Deloach, the Board adopted the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, as printed and mailed to Board members and published in The Weekly News, official journal of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Superintendent Karen Tutor recognized the Students of the Month for August, 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:

Johntavion Green, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Kylan Vorise, Cottonport Elementary School; Annalise Andrews, Lafargue Elementary School; Brysen Greenhouse, Marksville Elementary School; Shernya Bell, Plaucheville Elementary School; Lee David Hill, Riverside Elementary School; Heath Sharp, Avoyelles High School; Shermira Bell, Bunkie Magnet High School; Trinity Francisco, 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.

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

Sandra Smith, Bunkie Elementary Learning Academy; Keonte Wells, Cottonport Elementary School; Kristy Lonider, Lafargue Elementary School; Alexis Armand, Marksville Elementary School; Jessica Ducote, Plaucheville Elementary School; Amber Bordelon, Riverside

Elementary School; Marcy Center, Avoyelles High School; Kourtny Bordelon, Bunkie Magnet High School; Jeremy Bonnette, Louisiana School for the Agricultural Sciences; and Dolly Rousseau, Marksville High School.

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

4. Jennifer Dismer, Child Welfare and Attendance Supervisor, addressed the Board with a request to approve the Act 393 policies File: BCBI - Public Participation in School Board Meetings and File: BCAD – Teleconference/Remote Participation in School Board Meetings.

On motion by Chris Robinson, seconded by Jay Callegari, the Board approved the ACT 393 policy, File: BCBI - Public Participation in School Board Meetings. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

On motion by Chris Robinson, seconded by Jay Callegari, the Board approved the ACT 393 policy, File: BCAD – Teleconference/Remote Participation in School Board Meetings. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Jennifer Dismer, Child Welfare and Attendance Supervisor, addressed the Board with a request to approve the revised policy File: JCDA – Student Smoking/Tobacco Use.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Aimee Dupuy, the Board approved the revised policy File: JCDA – Student Smoking/Tobacco Use. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Amy Volentine, Testing/Media Manager, addressed the Board with a request to approve the 2023-2024 ACT MOU updated information sheet for public, charter, and non-public schools receiving state funding.

On motion by Jill Guidry, seconded by Rickey Adams, the Board approved the 2023-2024 ACT MOU updated information sheet for public, charter, and non-public schools receiving state funding. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Wendy Marchand, Curriculum Supervisor, addressed the Board requesting approval of a Board Resolution that grants Wendy Marchand the power and authority to do all things necessary to implement, maintain, amend, or renew said documents with The Rapides Foundation.

A motion was offered by Aimee Dupuy, seconded by Keith Lacombe, the Board granted Wendy Marchand the power and authority to do all things necessary to implement, maintain, amend, or renew said documents with The Rapides Foundation. The motion was approved by the following 8-1 vote:

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