

THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRANT PARISH SCHOOL  
BOARD OF THE PARISH OF GRANT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN  
AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2012.

The Parish School Board of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, met in its regular meeting place, the Grant Parish School Board Office, Colfax, Louisiana, in Regular Session, Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.

There were present Mr. Marvin DeLong, Mr. Randy Browning, Mr. Eddie Baxley, Mr. A.J. Lavespere, Mr. A.D. Futrell, Mr. Terry Oliver and Mrs. Karen Layton.

Mr. Roland "Buddy" Pennison was absent.

Mrs. Sheila S. Jackson, Secretary-Treasurer was also present.

The Parish School Board of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, was duly convened by Honorable Randy Browning, President of the Grant Parish School Board, who then stated that the Parish School Board was ready to transact any business which may come before the Board.

Motion made by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved the revised agenda.

Motion made by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously approved the January 7, 2012 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Mrs. Carolyn Lincecum, from Sandra Caston's Horace Mann Insurance presented Mrs. Virginia Voorhies with a \$100.00 gift card for perfect attendance for the month of December, 2011.

Mr. Scott Wallace and Ms. Cathy Myers, from the Louisiana Pecan Festival, presented the Grant Parish School Board with a check in the amount of \$2,067.00 for proceeds from the festival.

Mr. Brad Duffy was at the meeting to discuss policy concerning athletic transportation to and from events. The Superintendent spoke to Mr. Duffy and explained that the policy is in place to protect the children. The School Board's insurance company has requested this policy remain in effect as written.

The Transportation and Maintenance Committee had nothing to report.

Motion made by Mr. DeLong, seconded by Mr. Futrell and unanimously

approved intercom repair at Pollock Elementary in the amount of \$6,925.00 out of Pollock District funds.

Motion made by Mr. DeLong, seconded by Mr. Futrell and unanimously approved a budget revision out of Grant High Schools district fund.

Mr. Bill Tudor updated the board on the following projects:

1. Grant Jr. High – there are minor problems left to resolve. The clinic has a leak in it and will be corrected very quickly. They are in the process of completing all punch list items and will have that quickly resolved.
2. Grant High Track – the old track has been removed and they are currently looking at different options to resurface the track. The bids will then be called for and try to get the work done over the summer months.
3. Montgomery High and Verda Elementary: all of the paperwork is being prepared to start the bidding process.

Motion by Baxley, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved to add to the agenda, to authorize Alliance Design Group to advertise Montgomery High School and Verda Elementary construction projects.

Motion by Mr. Baxley, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved to consider authorizing Alliance Design Group to advertise Montgomery High School and Verda Elementary construction projects.

Mr. A.J. Lavespere appointed his committees as follows:

Transportation Committee: Mr. Futrell (chairperson), Mr. Pennison, and Mr. Oliver  
Finance Committee: Mr. DeLong (chairperson), Mr. Baxley, Mrs. Layton and Mr. Browning.

Motion made by Mr. Baxley, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved granting the Superintendent permission to negotiate the sale to the State for additional land at the intersection of First Street and Hwy 167 in Dry Prong to create a flare as required for said intersection.

Motion made by Mr. Futrell, seconded by Mr. DeLong and unanimously approved granting permission for the Superintendent to travel out of state for a conference to no expense to the school board.

Motion made by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Oliver to request that Grant

High School and Grant Jr. High School property be incorporated into the Village of Dry Prong. After discussion Mr. Baxley called for the questions. Mr. Browning voted in favor. Mr. Lavespere, Mrs. Layton, Mr. Baxley, Mr. DeLong, Mr. Oliver, and Mr. Futrell voted against and Mr. Pennison was absent.

Motion made by Mr. Futrell, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously approved adopting policy IDDF (Education of Students with Exceptionalities).

Motion made by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Futrell and unanimously approved the Grant Parish Academic Calendar for the 2012-2013 school year.

### 2012-2013 Grant Parish Academic Calendar

Ist Semester	2nd Semester
<p><b>August</b></p> <p>6 First day back for teachers</p> <p>9 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 9<sup>th</sup> grade Orientation ( students dismiss at noon)</p> <p>10 First day back for all students (students dismiss at noon)</p> <p><b>September</b></p> <p>3 <i>Labor Day Holiday</i></p> <p>13 *Student Early Release Day (Pre-K thru 12) Parent-Teacher Conferences-Grades 7-12, (3:00-7:00 pm)</p> <p>19 First six-weeks grading period ends</p> <p>25 Elementary Report Cards</p> <p><b>October</b></p> <p>10 First nine-weeks grading period ends for JRHS &amp; HS *Student Early Release Day</p> <p>11-12 <i>Fall Break</i></p> <p>18 Secondary Report Cards</p> <p>31 Second six-weeks grading period ends</p> <p><b>November</b></p> <p>1 * Student Early Release Day Parent-Teacher Conference, Pre-K thru 6 12:00-7:00 pm</p> <p>2 <i>Pecan Festival Holiday</i></p> <p>6 <i>Election Day Holiday</i></p> <p>7 Elementary Report Cards</p> <p>12 <i>Veteran's Day Holiday</i></p> <p>19-23 <i>Thanksgiving Holiday</i></p> <p><b>December</b></p> <p>21 Third six-weeks grading period ends Second nine-weeks grading period ends, JRHS &amp; HS-1<sup>st</sup> Semester ends *Student Early Release Day, Pre-K thru 12</p> <p>24-Jan 8 <i>Christmas Holiday</i></p>	<p><b>January</b></p> <p>7, 8 Teacher Workday</p> <p>9 Students return to school</p> <p>10 Elementary/Secondary Report Cards</p> <p>21 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday</i></p> <p><b>February</b></p> <p>7 *Student Early Release Day, Pre-K thru 12 Parent-Teacher Conferences, Pre-K thru 6 (12:00-7:00 pm), 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade (3:00-7:00 pm)</p> <p>8-12 <i>Spring Break Holiday</i></p> <p>15 Secondary Report Cards</p> <p>21 Fourth six-weeks grading period ends</p> <p>27 Elementary Report Cards</p> <p><b>March</b></p> <p>13 *Student Early Release Day</p> <p>14 First nine-weeks grading period ends for HS Third nine-weeks grading period ends, JR HS</p> <p>19 State Testing Cycle I</p> <p>20 Secondary Report Cards</p> <p>22 *Student Early Release Day</p> <p>25-29 <i>Easter Holiday</i></p> <p><b>April</b></p> <p>8-12 State Testing Cycle II</p> <p>9 End of 5<sup>th</sup> six-weeks</p> <p>15 Elementary Report Cards</p> <p>19 *Student Early Release Day</p> <p><b>May</b></p> <p>10 Last Day for Pre-K, K, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades.</p> <p>17 Students last day ( students dismiss at noon) Sixth six-weeks grading period ends Second nine-weeks grading period ends for HS-Fourth nine-weeks grading period ends For JRHS</p> <p>20 Teacher-Workday/Parent-Teacher Conference</p>

\*Schools dismiss at 12:00 pm on Early Release Days, for **STUDENTS ONLY**. Each student day is 385 minutes. Total number of students' days: 170. Total number of teacher days: 176.  
(Calendar revised 02/03/2012)

The Board received a copy of Policy JDA (Corporal Punishment) to be voted on at the March 2012 board meeting.

Motion made by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved the Emergency Shelter Agreement with Central Control.

Motion was tabled for Bulk fuel and Bulk Fuel Equipment to give the School

Board time to ask questions to the bidders.

Motion made by Mr. Futrell, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation for the following personnel changes:

**Retirement:**

1. Sandra K. Smiley – teacher @ Colfax Elementary effective 01-24-12.

**Employ:**

1. Andrea Henagan – reading teacher @ Colfax Elementary, replacing Ms. Sandra K. Smiley effective 01-26-12.
2. Beth Smith – 3.5 hour lunch technician @ Pollock Elementary effective 01-27-12.
3. Dan Gilliland – English teacher @ Georgetown High, replacing Cindy Maxwell effective 01-23-12.

The Superintendent will be scheduling another three hour training class for the Board Members. The Superintendent is looking at 02-23-2012 at 5:00 P.M.

The Superintendent informed the Board that we are in receipt of a check from the sale of the Mary Graham property in the amount of \$47,200.00.

The Superintendent also asked each Board Member to review the High School Athletic Manual for future discussion.

Motion made by Mr. Futrell, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously approved adjourning the meeting.

/s/A.J. Lavespere  
A.J. Lavespere  
President  
Grant Parish School Board

ATTEST:

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Sheila S. Jackson  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Grant Parish School Board