

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, MARCH 12, 2013.

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 March 12, 2013 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.

There was present Mr. Randy Browning, Mr. A.J. "Tony Lavespere, Mrs. Karen Layton, Mr. Eddie Baxley, Mr. Terry Oliver and Mr. A.D. Futrell.

Mr. DeLong and Mr. Pennison were 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 A.D. Futrell, 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 by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously approved the February 5, 2013 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously approved the February 18, 2013 Special Training Minutes.

The Transportation and Maintenance Committee had nothing to report.

Motion by Mr. Baxley, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved payment of invoice #10863 to Alliance Design Group, LLC. in the amount of \$1,680.78 for services rendered at Verda Elementary.

Motion by Mr. Baxley, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously approved payment of Application & Certificate for Payment #6 to Phillip Mayo Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$76,395.40 for services rendered at Verda Elementary.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously approved payment of Application & Certificate for Payment #3 to Wyndham Construction Company, Inc. There will be one check written in the amount of \$62,000.00 for the metal building and the other check will be written for \$51,096.75 for services rendered at Montgomery High School.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously

approved payment of invoice dated 2-28-13 from Gordon's Blacktopping Service, in the amount of \$49,500.00 for installation of drainage system for the Grant High Track.

Motion by Mr. Lavespere, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved payment of invoice #108066 in the amount of \$2,643.02 to Alliance Design Group LLC., for services rendered at Montgomery High School.

Motion by Mr. Baxley, seconded, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously awarded the bid for Montgomery Gaines Jr. High School buildings and approximately 3 acres of land to Dr. Lula B. Williams and Gaynelle M. Raybon.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously approved rebidding the 17 acres of wooded area at Montgomery Gaines Jr. High with a minimum bid of \$48,000.00 (80% of appraised value – per state law).

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously approved the following budget revisions:

- A. Verda District - \$15,000.00 for supplies and repair/maintenance
- B. Montgomery District - \$4,000.00 for supplies and repair/maintenance
- C. South Grant District - \$5,000.00 for supplies and repair/maintenance.
- D. Grant District - \$15,000.00 for electrical work, additional maintenance supplies
- E. Pollock Parishwide - \$5,000.00 for instructional supplies
- F. Grant Parishwide - \$9,000.00 for graphing calculators

The construction updates are as follows:

Grant High Track – drainage is complete, the long jump and pole vault are being worked on this week and the asphalt will be laid soon.

Grant Jr. High – next week the ridge cap will be replaced to stop leaking.

Montgomery High: the slab has been installed. The metal building should be installed on the 18th of March.

Verda Elementary: There is heat in the building and the floor will be completed soon.

Motion by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously approved adopting the following policies received at the February Board Meeting: EDDBA (Responsibility for Vehicle Operation) and EDC (Student Transportation Safety Program).

The Board Members received policy KM (Visitors to the Schools) for approval at the April 2013 Board Meeting.

Motion by Mr. Lavespere, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously

approved deleting the following policies due to several policies being combined:
 EFA-E (Student Technology Contract), IFBGA (Computer & Internet Use), IFBGA-R
 (Use of Internet Regulations), and EFAA (Internet Safety and Technology Policy).

Motion by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously
 approved adopting the revised 2013-2014 Grant Parish Academic Calendar for the
 date August 13th should have been August 15, 2013 for the 7th and 9th grade
 orientation.

2013-2014 Grant Parish Academic Calendar	
1st Semester	2nd Semester
August	January
12 First day back for teachers 15 7 th & 9 th Grade Orientation (students dismiss at noon) 16 First day back for all students (students dismiss at noon)	6,7 Teacher Workday 8 Students return to school 10 Elementary/Secondary Report Cards 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
September	February
2 Labor Day Holiday 19 Student Early Release Day (Pre-Kdg thru 12th) (Parent/Teacher Conferences-Grades 7th-12 th - 3:00-7:00 pm) 24 First six weeks grading period ends	13 *Student Early Release Day, Parent/Teacher Conferences, grades Pre-K thru 12, 1:00-7:00 pm,(7th-12 th grades 3:00-7:00 pm) 14 Winter Break 18 Fourth Six weeks grading period ends
October	March
3 Student Early Release Day –(Parent Teacher Conferences, Pre-K thru 6 th - 1:00-7:00 pm) 4-7 Fall Break 15 First nine weeks grading period ends for JRHS & HS 22 Secondary Report Cards 31 Early Release Day	3-7 Mardi Gras Holiday 13 *Student Early Release Day 18 First nine weeks grading period ends for HS, Third nine weeks grading period ends for JRHS/State Testing Cycle
November	April
1 Pecan Festival Holiday 5 Second six weeks grading period 11 Veteran’s Day Holiday 13 Elementary Report Cards 22 *Student/Teacher Early Release Day 25-29 Thanksgiving Holiday	4 Fifth six weeks grading period ends 7-10 State Testing Cycle II 11 Elementary Report Cards 17 *Student Early Release Day 18-21 Easter Holiday 25 Secondary Report Cards
December	May
20 Third Six weeks grading period ends, Second nine weeks grading period ends for JRHS & HS/1 st semester ends *Student Early Release Day, Pre-K thru 12th 23-Jan 7 Christmas Holiday	13 Last day for Pre-K, 6 th & 8 th grades 19 *Student Early Release Day 20 Student Early Release Day – teachers work until 3:00 pm – Student/Teacher last day

The Board Members received a copy of the new book selection proposal form for elementary grades for approval at the April 2013 Board Meeting.

Motion by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved entering into an Emergency Evacuation Agreement between the Grant Parish School Board and the Colfax Reunion Nursing & Rehab of Colfax.

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EMERGENCY EVACUATION ACCOMMODATIONS AGREEMENT

Be it known this 12th day of March, 2013 and in the event of a natural disaster or emergency, the members of the Grant Parish School Board unanimously approved a resolution granting unto the Colfax Reunion Nursing and Rehab of Colfax, Grant Parish, Louisiana, the permission to place the residents, patients, and staff of the Colfax Reunion Nursing & Rehab of Colfax within either or both the Colfax Elementary gymnasium, or the Grant Jr. High gymnasium. However, placement preference will be given to students and staff within both educational institutions in the event an evacuation need should arise involving students and staff.

The Grant Parish School Board will be indemnified by the Colfax Reunion Nursing & Rehab in the event a claim against same arises involving injury to a Colfax Reunion Nursing & Rehab resident, patient or staff member while occupying the said evacuation centers.

THUS DONE and passed this 12th day of March, 2013, Colfax, Grant Parish, Louisiana.

Sheila S. Jackson, Superintendent
Grant Parish School Board

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Oliver and unanimously approved a resolution to reopen a railroad crossing in Dry Prong, Louisiana.

Resolution

Whereas, all 77 buses for Grant Parish school transportation system must go to this shop for service and repairs, and,

Whereas, buses that transport students to Grant High and Grant Jr. High fuel up at this maintenance barn. Recently the Grant Parish School Board spent \$100,000.00 to provide gas and diesel for buses installing pumps to meet needs, and,

Whereas, all handicap buses must use this repair shop for service and fuel, and,

Whereas, present access road is not wide enough for two (2) buses to pass going to and from bus repair and fuel station, and

Whereas, this crossing was not closed by a resolution from the Village of Dry Prong, therefore closing was illegal. Railroad traffic at the present time is only two (2) or three (3) trains per week. Sometimes these trains will stop on the tracks for train employees to eat at local restaurants, and,

Whereas, in case of emergencies for handicap and regular buses, no other crossing is available for five (5) miles to depart to schools or other needs, and,

Whereas, we humbly request that you allow this crossing to be reopened during the present highway construction on Hwy. 167.

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

THUS PASSED AND ADOPTED ON MARCH 12, 2013 BY THE GRANT PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF GRANT IN REGULAR SESSION.

Sheila S. Jackson
Superintendent

A.D. Futrell
President

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly passed and adopted by the Grant Parish School Board, Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, on the 12th day of March, 2013.

Motion by Mr. Baxley, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously approved awarding the bid for the purchase of a walk in cooler/freezer, for Montgomery High School, to LA Foodservice Equipment in the amount of \$38,535.00.

The Superintendent informed the Board Members of the following changes and challenges the Board faces and spoke of the Board Training that is to be set:

- A. MFP/Financial challenges
- B. Teacher Tool Box
- C. Act 1 and Act 2
- D. District Collaborative of Louisiana.
- E. Common Core Field Test for Grades 3-8.
- F. Teacher of the Year
- G. Principal of the Year
- H. Date for Board Training

Motion by Mr. Baxley, seconded by Mr. Lavespere and unanimously approved
adjourning the meeting.

s/A.D. Futrell
A.D. Futrell
President
Grant Parish School Board

ATTEST:

Sheila S. Jackson
Secretary-Treasurer
Grant Parish School Board