

Franklinton, Louisiana  
August 6, 2009  
6:30 P.M.

The Washington Parish School Board met in regular session on the above date with the following members present: Dan Slocum, Bruce Brown, John Breland, Freddie Jefferson, and Dewitt Perry. Absent: Matthew Tate, Alan McCain, Karl Bickham and Mary Adams.

**Agenda Item #1 - Call to order**

The meeting was called to order by President Freddie Jefferson.

**Agenda Item #2 – Invocation**

The invocation was given by Bruce Brown.

**Agenda Item #3 - Pledge of Allegiance**

**Agenda Item #4 - Presentation on GPA Program – Ryan Green (Darrell Fairburn).**

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**Agenda Item #5 - Recognition of Rotary Club (Darrell Fairburn).**

Superintendent Fairburn presented Mr. Conrad Flowers, President of the Rotary Club with a certificate of appreciation. He thanked the rotary club for giving dictionaries to all 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students in the Washington Parish School System.

**Agenda Item #6 - Consider a motion to adopt the minutes of the July 16, 2009, regular board meeting (Freddie Jefferson).**

It was moved by Dan Slocum, seconded by John Breland, that the Board adopt the minutes of the July 16, 2009, regular board meeting as submitted to each member. Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #7 - Discuss and take appropriate action regarding student transfer requests for the 2009/2010 school year (Frances Varnado).**

Upon the recommendation of Frances Varnado, Supervisor, it was moved by Dewitt Perry, seconded by John Breland, that the Board approve the transfer requests for the 2009/2010 school year as follows:

Student Name	Home District	Requested District	Grade	Type	Approved Date
Fonda, Landon	Angie Junior High School	Pine High School	6th	Hardship	7/31/2009
Johnson, Nicholas	Angie Junior High School	Pine High School	8th	Hardship	7/31/2009
Johnson, Alexis	Angie Junior High School	Pine High School	8th	Hardship	7/31/2009
Post, Seth	Enon Elementary School	Franklinton Elementary School	4th	Medical	7/31/2009
Thomassen, Austin	Franklinton Elementary School	Enon Elementary School	4th	Hardship	7/31/2009
Gerald, Lauren	Franklinton Junior High School	Pine High School	6th	Hardship	7/31/2009
Thomassen, Lainey	Franklinton Primary School	Enon Elementary School	PK	Hardship	7/31/2009
Dykes, Jacob	Franklinton Primary School	Thomas Elementary School	2nd	Hardship	7/31/2009
Black, Noah	Franklinton Primary School	Mt. Hermon School	1st	Administrative	7/31/2009
Tyson, Desmond	Thomas Elementary School	Franklinton Primary School	PK	Hardship	7/31/2009
Tyson, Marquez	Thomas Elementary School	Franklinton Primary School	1st	Hardship	7/31/2009
Tyson, Saveion	Thomas Elementary School	Franklinton Primary School	K	Hardship	7/31/2009
Ritchie, Dylan	Thomas Elementary School	Franklinton Primary School	1st	Hardship	7/31/2009
Magee, Ryan	Thomas Elementary School	Franklinton Elementary School	4	Hardship	7/31/2009
Magee, Andrew	Thomas Elementary School	Franklinton Elementary School	4	Hardship	7/31/2009
Riley, Elizabeth	Varnado Elementary School	Thomas Elementary School	1st	Hardship	7/31/2009
Riley, Zachary	Varnado Elementary School	Thomas Elementary School	5th	Hardship	7/31/2009
Fonda, Luke	Varnado Elementary School	Thomas Elementary School	2nd	Hardship	7/31/2009
Creel, Ashlyn	Varnado Elementary School	Thomas Elementary School	2nd	Hardship	7/31/2009
Polk, Ashlyn	Varnado Elementary School	Thomas Elementary School	1	Hardship	7/31/2009
Polk, Alyssa	Varnado Elementary School	Thomas Elementary School	3	Hardship	7/31/2009
Crain, Ashley	Varnado High School	Franklinton High School	9	Administrative	8/6/2009

Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #8 - Consider a motion to allow Lela Yates to purchase a 2001 GMC 60 passenger bus (Billy Brignac).**

Upon the recommendation of Billy Brignac, Supervisor, it was moved by Dewitt Perry, seconded by John Breland, that the Board allow Lela Yates to purchase a 2001 GMC 60 passenger bus. Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #9 - Discuss and take appropriate action regarding restrooms at Franklinton High School (Billy Brignac).**

Upon the recommendation of Billy Brignac, Supervisor, it was moved by Dan Slocum, seconded by Bruce Brown, that the Board approve the low quote of \$38,143.00 to David Burris Construction, Franklinton, LA for repairs to restrooms at Franklinton High School. Motion carried unanimously. Other quotes submitted: Brandon Fussell Construction, LLC, Franklinton, LA - \$44,925.00 and CP Enterprises, Franklinton, LA - \$57,093.00.

**Agenda Item #10 - Consider a motion to enter into a purchase agreement with Judy Pigott Carter selling 2.6449 acres (Darrell Fairburn).**

Upon the recommendation of Wayne Kuhn, Attorney, it was moved by John Breland, seconded by Dewitt Perry, that the Board adopt a resolution entering into an agreement to purchase and sell realty as follows:

RESOLUTION  
ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT TO  
PURCHASE AND SELL REALTY

WHEREAS, the Washington Parish School Board declared the following described property to be surplus property, and to be no longer needed for educational purposes, the property commonly being referred to as the Pine High School Football Stadium properties, described as follows, to-wit:

THAT CERTAIN PORTION OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, advantages and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, located in Section 5,

Township 2 South, Range 12 East, Washington Parish, Louisiana, more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Commence at a ½ inch iron rod found at the westerly right of way line of Louisiana State Highway No. 62 (also known as Sheridan-Thomas Highway & Pine-Thomas Highway) and the former property line common to R.J. Adams & Jack Corkern, which point is South 02 degrees 26 minutes, 59 seconds West, 1,337.95 feet from the intersection of the Westerly right of way line of Louisiana State Highway No. 62 and the line common to Township 1 South, Range 12 East and Township 2 South, Range 12 East, and measure along said westerly line, North 02 degrees 26 minutes 59 seconds East, a distance of 775.20 feet to a ½ inch iron rod, the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Measure thence from the POINT OF BEGINNING, North 89 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, a distance of 508.31 feet to a ½ inch iron rod; thence North 01 degrees 51 minutes 58 seconds East, a distance of 240.00 feet to a ½ inch iron rod, thence South 89 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, a distance of 420.00 feet to a ½ inch iron rod; thence South 01 degrees 51 minutes 58 seconds West, a distance of 77.70 feet to a ½ inch iron rod; thence South 88 degrees 24 minutes 20 seconds East, a distance of 89.94 feet to a ½ inch iron rod on the westerly right of way line of Louisiana State Highway No. 62 (also known as Sheridan-Thomas Highway & Pine-Thomas Highway), said point being located South 02 degrees 26 minutes 59 seconds West, a distance of 401.35 feet from a ½ inch iron pipe on the westerly right of way line of Louisiana State Highway No. 62 and the line common to Section 32, Township 1 South, Range 12 East & Section 5, Township 2 South, Range 12 East; thence along said westerly line, South 02 degrees 26 minutes 59 seconds West, a distance of 161.40 feet to a ½ inch iron rod, the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said portion of ground contains 2.6449 acres. All as more fully shown as per survey by M and N Land Surveying, L.L.C., dated November 20, 2007.

Being the same property acquired from R.J. Adams by deed dated January 9, 1961 of record in COB 167, Page 55, Washington Parish, Louisiana; and,

WHEREAS, a certified appraisal showed the appraised value of the property to be \$30,400.00; and

WHEREAS, a Legal Notice that the Washington Parish School Board would sell under sealed bids the above described property which notice was advertised in *The Era-Leader*, Franklinton, Louisiana on June 11, 18, 25, and July 2 and 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on July 14, 2008, at 2:00 p.m. with the only bid received was by Judy Pigott Carter being in the amount of \$30,500.00, which bid was accepted at a public meeting on July 17, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the original advertisement stated that the Washington Parish School Board would reserve the right of occupancy through December 31, 2009, but it has been determined that the new Pine High School Football Stadium will not be ready by December 31, 2009 and that it would be in the best interest of the Washington Parish School Board to extend the closing date of the act of sale to December 1, 2010 so that Pine High School would have the use of the property for the 2010 football season; and

WHEREAS, Judy Pigott Carter has agreed to enter into an Agreement to Purchase and Sell Realty, wherein the act of sale would not take place until after the 2010 football season as long as the Washington Parish School Board would be responsible for taxes for the year 2009 and 2010 and the Washington Parish School Board pay her reasonable attorney fees and costs in this matter.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington Parish School Board enter into an Agreement to Purchase and Sell Realty with Judy Pigott Carter conveying the above described property for the sum of \$30,500.00 with the act of sale to take place on or before December 1, 2010, with the consideration being paid at the act of sale.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in consideration of Judy Pigott Carter agreeing to extend the date of the act of sale until December 1, 2010, that the Washington Parish School Board will be responsible for taxes for the years 2009, and 2010 and for Judy Pigott Carter's reasonable attorney fees and costs in this matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the act of sale will contain the following terms and conditions: "Vendor reserves the right to remove all lights, light poles, score boards, bleachers and goal posts on or before December 1, 2010. Vendor and Vendee hereby acknowledge and recognize that the property being sold and purchased is to be transferred in "as is" condition and further Vendee does hereby waive, relieve and release Vendor from any claims or causes of action for redhibition pursuant to Louisiana Civil Code Article 2520, et seq. and Article 2541, et seq. or for reduction of sales price pursuant to Louisiana Civil Code Article 2541, et seq. Additionally, Vendee acknowledges that this sale is made without warranty of fitness for ordinary or particular use pursuant to Louisiana Civil Code Article 2524."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the President of the Washington Parish School Board be authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above.

APPROVED: August 6, 2009

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Freddie Jefferson, President

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Darrell Fairburn, Secretary

Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #11 - Discuss and take appropriate action regarding funding source changes for paraprofessionals (Richard Kennedy).**

Upon the recommendation of Richard Kennedy, Personnel Director, it was moved by Dewitt Perry, seconded by Bruce Brown, that the Board approve the funding source changes for paraprofessionals as follows:

SCHOOL	PROGRAM TITLE	FUNDING	NAME OF PARA
ANGIE	AL	Title I Stimulus	Loretta Smith
WESLEY RAY	ELFA	ELFA	Sophia Robinson
	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Elma Pittman
	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Ruth Bickham
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Karen Boudin
VARNADO ELEM.	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Sandra Seal
	ELFA	ELFA	Patricia Maples
	ELFA	EIS Stimulus	Brandy Williams
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Zella Foster
VARNADO HIGH	AL	Title I Stimulus	Ca'Tresa Peters *
ENON	ELFA	Regular EIS	Erica Polk
	ELFA	EIS Stimulus	Cynthia Woodward
	ELFA	Regular EIS	Jolene Spears
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Linda Jones
MT. HERMON	ELFA	Regular EIS	Patti Burch
	AL/ELFA	EIS Stimulus	Candace White
	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Lisa Lindsey
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Sharon Burch
PINE	AL	Title I Stimulus	Patricia Lott
	AL	Title I Stimulus	Suzanne Jenkins *
THOMAS ELEM.	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Heather Singley
	ELFA	Regular EIS	Angela Seal
	ELFA	EIS Stimulus	Elizabeth Branch
	ELFA	ELFA	Katina Ginn
	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Melissa Seal
	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Marci Seal
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Bianca Jenkins
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Judy Sumrall
FES	ELFA	Title I Stimulus	Angela Miller
	ELFA	Regular EIS	Renee Agnew
	ELFA	EIS Stimulus	Gloria Magee
	ELFA	EIS Stimulus	Brenda Hofstetter
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Vicki Anders
FJHS	AL	Title I Stimulus	Yalonda Magee
	AL	Title I Stimulus	Beth Pugh *
FHS	AL	Title I Stimulus	Pamela Benison *
	AL	Title I Stimulus	Barbara Ingram *
FPS	ELFA	ELFA	Lisa Ackerman
	ELFA	ELFA	Janell Burton
	ELFA	ELFA	Sherri Reeves
	ELFA	ELFA	Kay Haynes
	ELFA	ELFA	Jackie Thomas
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Carol Bright
	SPED	SPED Stimulus	Linda Corkern
KEY:	AL	Adolescent Literacy	
	ELFA	Ensuring Literacy for All	
	*	New Positions	

Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #12 - Discuss and take appropriate action regarding Personnel and Transportation Adjustments (Richard Kennedy).**

Upon the recommendation of Richard Kennedy, Personnel Director, it was moved by John Breland, seconded by Dan Slocum, that the Board approve the

Personnel and Transportation Adjustments as follows:

### **PERSONNEL ADJUSTMENTS**

#### **RETIREMENT RESIGNATION**

Mt. Hermon School: Linton Alford, Regular Teacher, Retirement Resignation effective July 30, 2009.

#### **DISABILITY RETIREMENT RESIGNATION**

Wesley Ray Elementary School: Cheryl Watts, Reading First Paraprofessional, Disability Retirement Resignation effective May 22, 2009.

#### **RESIGNATION**

Angie Jr. High School: Blane Westmoreland, Regular Teacher, Resignation effective July 30, 2009.

Central Office: Cynthia August, Payroll Clerk, Resignation effective August 14, 2009.

Enon Elementary School: Carmen Jones, Part-Time School Lunch Worker, Resignation effective July 29, 2009.

Franklinton Primary School: D'Wanna Welch, Literacy Coordinator, Resignation effective August 19, 2009.

#### **CHANGE OF EMPLOYMENT STATUS**

Central Office: Melissa Brumfield, Accountant II/Inventory Clerk, **TO** Payroll Clerk effective August 10, 2009.

Enon Elementary School: Angela Brown, Regular Teacher **TO** Class-Size Reduction Teacher effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Enon Elementary School: Jeannie Tate, Class-Size Reduction Teacher **TO** Regular Teacher (Sabb. Med. Leave) effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Franklinton Primary School: Erica Morgan, Full Time Speech Pathologist Assistant **TO** Part-Time Speech Pathologist Assistant working 139.5 days out of 182 days for the 2009/2010 school year.

Franklinton Elementary School: Brenda Gulsby, School Secretary, Effective date August 1, 2009 **TO** Effective date September 1, 2009.

Mt. Hermon School: Rebecca Crain, Class-Size Reduction Teacher (Sabb. Med. Lve. Fall Semester 09/10) **TO** Regular Teacher (Sabb. Med. Lve. Fall Semester 09/10) effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Pine School: Peggy Kemp, Regular Teacher, Sabb. Med. Lve. Fall Semester/Sick Leave/Extended Sick Leave January 4, 2010 – May 6, 2010 and Retirement effective May 6, 2010 **TO** Sick Leave/Extended Sick Leave effective August 3, 2009 – January 12, 2010 and Retirement on May 6, 2010.

Thomas Elementary School: Annie Eloise Magee, Title I Pre-School Teacher **TO** Regular Teacher effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Thomas Elementary School: Melanie D. Perry, Kindergarten Teacher **TO** Title I Pre-School Teacher effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Varnado High School: Lubertha Peters, Regular Teacher **TO** Pre-GED Teacher effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Varnado High School: Annette Seal, Pre-Ged Teacher **TO** Regular Teacher effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Wesley Ray Elementary School: Willie D. Harry, Class Size Reduction Teacher, Sick Leave effective August 3, 2009 – January 25, 2010, Retirement on January 25, 2010 **TO** Regular Teacher, Sick Leave effective August 3, 2009 – January 25, 2010, Retirement on January 25, 2010, effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Wesley Ray Elementary School: Stacy Phillips, Kindergarten Teacher **TO** Regular Teacher effective the 2009/2010 school year.

### **TRANSFER**

Pamela Benison, Literacy Paraprofessional, Angie Jr. High School **TO** Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Franklinton High School effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Tara Crain, Special Education Paraprofessional, Thomas Elementary School **TO** Special Education Paraprofessional, Pine School effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Barbara Ingram, Special Education Paraprofessional, Pine School **TO** Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Franklinton High School effective 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Jackie Jenkins, Assistant Principal, Franklinton High School **TO** Regular Education Literacy Coach, Central Office effective August 7, 2009. (12 months)(To be paid out of REAP)

Stacy Payne, Special Education Teacher, Pine School **TO** Special Education Literacy Coach, Central Office effective August 7, 2009 (12 months) (Paid out of Stimulus Idea).

### **SICK LEAVE/EXTENDED SICK LEAVE**

Pine School: Christian Reeves, Regular Teacher, Sick Leave/Extended Sick Leave effective August 3, 2009 – January 1, 2010.

### **LEAVE WITHOUT PAY**

Enon Elementary School: Paula Miley, Reading First Paraprofessional, Leave Without Pay effective the Fall Semester of the 2009/2010 school year.

Mt. Hermon School: Judy Hughes, School Secretary, Leave Without Pay effective September 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010.

### **EMPLOY**

Angie Jr. High School: Loretta Smith, Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Employ effective August 17, 2009 and the remainder of the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Central Office: Kristin Byrne, Accounts Payable Clerk/Secretary, Employ effective August 24, 2009.

Enon Elementary School: Amber Burch, LA4 Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Enon Elementary School: Charlotte Garza, Full-Time School Food Service Worker, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Enon Elementary School: Cynthia Woodard, Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of EIS Stimulus).

Franklinton Primary School: Erma Partman, Special Education Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Franklinton Primary School: Lorrie Wood, Special Education Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Franklinton Elementary School: Teresa Taylor, ISS Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Franklinton Resource Center: Teresa Simpson, Speech Therapist, Employ for 16 days effective August 4, 2009 – September 30, 2009 (Paid out of Stimulus IDEA).

Franklinton Jr. High School: Beth Pugh, Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Pine School: Jo Fairburn, Regular Teacher, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Certified).

Pine School: Suzonne Jenkins, Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Employ effective August 12, 2009 and the remainder of the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Pine School: Chavella Lewis, Special Education Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Pine School: Karen Watson, Part-Time Teacher/Nurse, Employ for 5 hrs. per day effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of 8G).

Pine School: Blake Wilson, Special Education Teacher, Employ effective August 4, 2009 and the remainder of the 2009/2010 school year only (TAT) (Replacing Stacy Payne).

Thomas Elementary School: Marci Seals, Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Thomas Elementary School: Anita Warren, Full-Time School Food Service Worker, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year.

Varnado High School: Ca'Tresa Peters, Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Wesley Ray Elementary School: Ruth Bickham, Adolescent Literacy Paraprofessional, Employ effective the 2009/2010 school year only (Paid out of Title I Stimulus).

Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #13 - Consider a motion to employ Linton Alford, Regular Teacher, Mt. Hermon School effective August 4, 2009.**

It was moved by Dan Slocum, seconded by Bruce Brown, that the Board employ Linton Alford, Regular Teacher, Mt. Hermon School effective August 4, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #14 - Superintendent's Report**

Penny Moses, Supervisor of Adult Education, gave an update on the Adult Education Program as requested by the Board.

Superintendent Fairburn reminded the Board of a LSBA workshop.

Superintendent Fairburn gave the Board a copy of a letter from Bill McGehee Insurance concerning Use of Facilities insurance.

**Agenda Item #15 - Other business from board members**

Bruce Brown requested a Transportation Committee Meeting on Monday, August 17, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

Freddie Jefferson reminded everyone about the Tax renewal on October 17, 2009.

**Agenda Item #16 - Consider a motion to enter into executive session under LA R.S. 42:6.1A (2) in the matter of Brunt Construction Co, Inc. vs WPSB (Darrell Fairburn).**

It was moved by Bruce Brown, seconded by John Breland, that the Board enter into executive session under LA R.S. 42:6.1A (2) in the matter of Brunt Construction Co, Inc. vs WPSB. Motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item #17 - Consider a motion to return to regular session.**

It was moved by John Breland, seconded by Dewitt Perry, that the Board return to regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Bruce Brown, seconded by John Breland, that the Board offer a counter proposal to Brunt Construction in the amount of \$7,500.00 of the original \$30,000.00. For: Dewitt Perry, Bruce Brown and Freddie Jefferson. Against: Dan Slocum and John Breland. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item #18 - Consider a motion to adjourn.**

It was moved by Bruce Brown, seconded by John Breland, that the Board adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

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Freddie Jefferson, President

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Darrell Fairburn, Secretary

