

The Bienville Parish School Board met in regular session Thursday, April 5, 2018, at the Bienville Parish School Board Office, 1956 First Street, Arcadia, Louisiana, with the following members present: Mr. Edward Mason, Jr., Mr. Mickey Hampton, Ms. Freddie Blow, Ms. Bonita Reliford, Ms. Martha Grigg, Mr. Donald Calloway, and Dr. Larry Knotts. All members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. Larry Knotts, and the invocation was given by Mr. Edward Mason, Jr., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Superintendent William Britt.

Motion by Mr. Mickey Hampton, seconded by Ms. Bonita Reliford, passed, approving the agenda posted March 29, 2018 (as amended April 3, 2018) for the April 5, 2018 regular meeting of the Bienville Parish School Board.

Ms. Angela Taylor, Director, gave a brief overview of the “Outstanding School Support Employees” program. School level winners were introduced and certificates and awards for \$25.00 were presented by Superintendent William Britt to:

Elementary Division

Davidria Cato – Crawford Elementary School
Helen Moore – Gibsland-Coleman High School
Lillie Williams – Saline High School
Julie Slack – Castor High School
Tammy McLaren – Ringgold Elementary School

Junior High Division

Kathy Satcher – Arcadia High School
David Cook – Gibsland-Coleman High School
Janice Toms – Saline High School
Kathy Quick – Castor High School
Geraldine Stewart – Ringgold High School

High School Division

Kim Guice – Castor High School
Marilyn Jason – Ringgold High School
Julie Martin – Saline High School
Terry Jackson – Gibsland-Coleman High School
Torie Bailey – Arcadia High School
Sheronda Rogers – Bienville High School

Unable to attend: Helen Moore.

The following were recognized and honored as Bienville Parish’s “Outstanding School Support Employees” then presented plaques and awards for \$100.00.

Parish Winners

Elementary Division	Lillie Williams	Saline High School
Junior Division	Geraldine Stewart	Ringgold High School
High School Division	Torie Bailey	Arcadia High School

On behalf of the Bienville Parish Education Foundation, Bonita Hall, President, also recognized and presented awards for \$100.00 to the Bienville Parish “Outstanding School Support Employees”.

Motion by Ms. Martha Grigg, seconded by Ms. Freddie Blow, passed, approving the minutes of the regular meeting on March 8, 2018, special meeting on March 22, 2018, and special meeting on March 27, 2018 as distributed.

Motion by Mr. Mickey Hampton, seconded by Mr. Edward Mason, Jr., passed, authorizing the Superintendent to advertise for bids for milk, bread, food, supplies and equipment for School Food Service for the 2018-2019 school year.

Superintendent Britt requested that May 7, 2018 through May 11, 2018 be designated as “Employee Appreciation” week in Bienville Parish. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Donald Calloway, seconded by Ms. Bonita Reliford, and unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, May 7-11 2018, has been designated “Employee Appreciation” week; and

WHEREAS, Bienville Parish employees are dedicated to offering students the best educational opportunities to prepare them for future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Bienville Parish employees are making a difference every day, setting a positive example with their professionalism and dedication; and

WHEREAS, it is time to recognize those who contribute daily to the lives of the students with whom they come in contact;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that May 7-11, 2018 is designated as “Employee Appreciation” week in Bienville Parish, and on behalf of the Bienville Parish School Board, parents, and children, we declare our appreciation to our employees for making our schools a success by caring and giving so much of yourself. We truly appreciate your efforts.

This resolution declared adopted on this fifth day of April, 2018.

/s/ William Britt

William Britt, Secretary

/s/ Larry Knotts

Larry Knotts, President

Motion by Ms. Martha Grigg, seconded by Mr. Donald Calloway, passed, authorizing the Superintendent to send letters of assurance to employees.

Motion by Ms. Martha Grigg, seconded by Mr. Donald Calloway, passed, adopting the following proposed policy revision on public display from March 9, 2018 through April 4, 2018:

File: DFAA – Industrial Tax Exemptions

Motion by Ms. Bonita Reliford, seconded by Ms. Freddie Blow, passed, to defer agenda item #8 – consider resolution approving Guin Machine for participation in the Industrial Tax Exemption Program.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Mickey Hampton and seconded by Mr. Edward Mason, Jr.:

RESOLUTION

A resolution recognizing the final form and the execution of the Bond Purchase Agreement for the issuance and sale of \$22,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2018, of School District Number One (1) of Bienville Parish, Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, this Parish School Board of the Parish of Bienville, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority (the “Governing Authority”) of School District Number One (1) of Bienville Parish, Louisiana (the “Issuer”), adopted a resolution on February 1, 2018, authorizing the issuance of not exceeding Twenty Two Million Dollars (\$22,000,000) of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2018, of the Issuer; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Governing Authority has executed the Bond Purchase Agreement as authorized by the Bond Resolution; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the executed Bond Purchase Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish School Board of the Parish of Bienville, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of School District Number One (1) of Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

SECTION 1. Confirmation of Bond Purchase Agreement. The sale of the Bonds has met the parameters set forth in the Bond Resolution, and accordingly the issuance and delivery of the Issuer’s \$22,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2018, is hereby approved, the terms of the Bonds contained in the Bond Purchase Agreement are incorporated herein, and the Bond Purchase Agreement is hereby approved as executed and attached as Exhibit A hereto.

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning given such terms in the Bond Resolution.

SECTION 2. Bond Insurance. This Governing Authority hereby makes the findings required by Section 1429 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, of the benefit from entering into a contract with Build America Mutual Assurance Company for the acquisition of a Municipal Bond Insurance Policy for the Bonds. The provisions of the Bond Insurance Policy, and the Commitment therefor, attached hereto as Exhibit B, are hereby adopted and shall be incorporated in this resolution as if fully set forth herein, and the Executive Officers, or either of them, are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents related thereto.

SECTION 3. Official Statement. The Issuer hereby approves the form and content of the Preliminary Official Statement, dated as of March 27, 2018, pertaining to the Bonds, which has been submitted to the Issuer, and hereby ratifies its prior use by the Underwriter in connection with the sale of the Bonds. The Issuer further approves the form and content of the final Official Statement and hereby authorizes and directs the execution by the Executive Officers and delivery of such final Official Statement to the Underwriter for use in connection with the public offering of the Bonds.

SECTION 4. Execution of Documents. The Executive Officers are hereby empowered, authorized and directed to take any and all action and to execute and deliver any instrument, document or certificate necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Section. If at any time of the execution of any such documents the President or Secretary is absent or otherwise unavailable to sign, the Vice-President shall be expressly authorized to execute such documents on behalf of the Governing Authority.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All resolutions and/or ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

<u>MEMBERS:</u>	<u>YEAS:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAINING:</u>
Edward Mason, Jr.	X	_____	_____	_____
Mickey Hampton	X	_____	_____	_____
Freddie Blow	X	_____	_____	_____
Bonita Reliford	X	_____	_____	_____
Martha Grigg	X	_____	_____	_____
Larry Knotts	X	_____	_____	_____
Donald Calloway	X	_____	_____	_____

And this resolution was declared adopted on this, the 5th day of April, 2018.

/s/ William Britt

 Secretary

/s/ Dr. Larry Knotts

 President

Motion by Ms. Freddie Blow, seconded by Mr. Donald Calloway, passed, approving the following request for use of school facilities:

Bienville Parish Men’s Rally, Baptist Men’s Rally
 Bienville High School Gymnasium – April 5, 2018

Springfield Baptist Church Youth and Young Adult’s Department, Church Basketball Tournament
 Gibsland-Coleman High School Gymnasium – April 21, 2018

Motion by Ms. Martha Grigg, seconded by Ms. Bonita Reliford, passed, approving the following requests for out of state educational trips:

Castor High School FCCLA, National Leadership Conference
 Atlanta, Georgia – June 27, 2018 – July 3, 2018

Motion by Ms. Freddie Blow, seconded by Mr. Mickey Hampton, passed, to conduct a second round of interviews for three (3) candidates for the position of Superintendent of Bienville Parish Schools. Superintendent Britt explained the ballot process to the Board. Each Board member was given a paper ballot. Board members were to check no more than three candidates of their choice on the ballot, sign their name, and pass the ballot to Dr. Larry Knotts, Board President. Superintendent Britt read aloud the name of the Board member and the name of the candidates they voted for. The results were as follows:

Cathey Crain – 7 votes
David Gray – 5 votes
John Gullatt – 1 vote
Alford Simmons – 0 votes
William Wysinger – 7 votes

Motion by Ms. Bonita Reliford, seconded by Ms. Martha Grigg, passed, calling a Special Board Meeting on Thursday, April 12, 2018 beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the School Board Annex to conduct a second round of interviews for Superintendent of Bienville Parish Schools. Pursuant to *La. R.S. 42:17(A) (1)*, a portion of the interviews may be conducted in executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Bonita Reliford, seconded by Mr. Mickey Hampton, passed, adjourning the meeting.

/s/ William Britt

William Britt, Secretary
Bienville Parish School Board

/s/ Dr. Larry Knotts

Dr. Larry Knotts, President
Bienville Parish School Board

CERTIFICATE

I, William Britt, Secretary of Bienville Parish School Board, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings of the regular meeting of the Board, April 5, 2018.

/s/ William Britt

William Britt, Secretary
Bienville Parish School Board