

The Bienville Parish School Board met in regular session Thursday, November 7, 2019 at the Bienville Parish School Board, 1956 First Street, Arcadia, Louisiana, with the following members present: Ms. Sharolyn Boston, Mr. Mickey Hampton, Ms. Bonita Reliford, Ms. Martha Grigg, Dr. Larry Knotts, Mr. Donald Calloway, and Ms. Freddie Blow. All members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Ms. Freddie Blow, and the invocation was given by Ms. Martha Grigg, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Superintendent William Wysinger.

Motion by Ms. Martha Grigg, seconded by Ms. Bonita Reliford, passed, approving the agenda posted November 1, 2019 for the November 7, 2019 regular meeting of the Bienville Parish School Board.

Motion by Mr. Mickey Hampton, seconded by Dr. Larry Knotts, passed, approving the minutes of the regular meeting on October 3, 2019 as distributed.

Dr. Lauren Mayfield, Director of Special Education, updated the Board on the growth and progress of special education students; programs and services provided to special education students and gifted and talented students; dental services and mental health counseling services provided to all Bienville Parish students; and the Parish Telehealth Program provided by our school nurses in partnership with the Bienville Parish Family Clinic.

After a brief overview on District Performance Scores given by Ms. Dottie Foster, Director of Elementary Education and Accountability Supervisor, the following schools were recognized and presented with a certificate by Superintendent Wysinger for their recognition by the Louisiana Department of Education as a “Top Gain” school for the 2018-2019 school year:

Gibbsland Coleman High School – represented by Principal Samuel Andrews
Ringgold Elementary School – represented by Assistant Principal Marchello Gates

The following schools were also recognized and presented a certificate by Superintendent Wysinger for their recognition by the Louisiana Department of Education as an “A” letter grade school for the 2018-2019 school year:

Castor High School – represented by Principal James Guin
Saline High School – represented by Principal Scott Canady

Motion by Mr. Mickey Hampton, seconded by Dr. Larry Knotts, passed, adopting the following proposed policy revisions on public display from October 4, 2019 through November 6, 2019. The policy revisions are:

File: IDDDFA – Special Education Advisory Council
File: JGCF – Behavioral Health Services for Students
File: JS – Student Fees, Fines, and Charges

Motion by Ms. Martha Grigg, seconded by Dr. Larry Knotts, passed, placing the following policy revisions on public display from November 8, 2019 through December 4, 2019. The policy revisions are:

File: EBBB – School and Student Safety
File: EBBC – Emergency/Crisis Management
File: JC DAG – Threats of Terrorism or Violence (Delete)

Motion by Mr. Mickey Hampton seconded by Ms. Sharolyn Boston, passed, agreeing to pay half (\$1250.00) of the cost (\$2500.00) for replacing water lines at the Arcadia Senior Center as requested by Bienville Council on Aging. (Ms. Martha Grigg recused herself from voting on this item).

Motion by Mr. Mickey Hampton, seconded by Ms. Sharolyn Boston, passed, accepting the bid received on October 31, 2019 from Walker Construction Company, Inc. for Job #2019-05 – Stadium Improvements for Arcadia High School.

Motion by Ms. Bonita Reliford, seconded by Ms. Martha Grigg, passed, allowing the Board President and Vice President to negotiate with Superintendent Wysinger on his upcoming contract.

Motion by Ms. Sharolyn Boston, seconded by Mr. Mickey Hampton, passed, approving the following request for out of state professional leave for:

Kasey Salvaterra, Arcadia High School
2019 Learning Forward Conference, St. Louis, Missouri
December 9-11, 2019

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

/s/ William Wysinger

William Wysinger, Secretary
Bienville Parish School Board

/s/ Freddie Bow

Freddie Blow, President
Bienville Parish School Board

CERTIFICATE

I, William Wysinger, 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, November 7, 2019.

/s/ William Wysinger

William Wysinger, Secretary
Bienville Parish School Board