

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

July 14, 2022

The Claiborne Parish School Board met in a regular session at the Claiborne Parish School Board Office in Homer, Louisiana at six o'clock July 14, 2022 with the following members:

Present: Danny Lee, Norman Meadors, Linda Knox, William Maddox, Tommy Davidson, Shelley Malsam, Chris Chandler

Absent: Yolanda Coleman, Dr. Robert Haynes, Terry Willis

There was also present Mr. William Kennedy, Secretary of the Board.

Mr. Maddox, Board President, opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Brian Flynn, Clerk of Court, administered the oath of office to board member, Mr. Norman Meadors.

A public meeting was held for public comments regarding the 2022 Ad Valorem Tax Millages. There were no comments made at this time.

Motion was made by Mr. Davidson to adopt the 2022 Ad Valorem Tax Millages, seconded by Ms. Malsam. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

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RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2022 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by **CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD**:

2022 MILLAGES

GENERAL FUND – Parish-wide

1. Constitutional Tax	5.37 mills
2. Special Operational and Maintenance Tax	5.23 mills
3. Salaries and Benefits	10.15 mills

MAINTENANCE TAX – Parish-wide

1. Special Maintenance Tax	5.23 mills
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SPECIAL FUNDS

1. School District #11 Maintenance Tax	3.41 mills
2. School District #13 Maintenance Tax	12.01 mills
3. School District Summerfield and Eastern Pineview	9.25 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Claiborne, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2022, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full; the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSTAINED: 0
ABSENT: 3

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting held on July 14, 2022, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Homer, Louisiana, this 14th day of July, 2022.

William Kennedy

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 9, 2022, and the Long-Range Planning Meeting held June 21, 2022, which had been emailed to the Board Members previously, were approved.

Terry Willis, Board Member, arrived.

Ms. Sandra Bosby, Food Services Supervisor, requested approval of the low bid for milk, bread, and paper products. Motion was made by Mr. Davidson to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Meadors. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Joey Guillory, Transportation Supervisor, requested approval of the bid from Crump Oil Company for fuel for Haynesville and Homer districts. Motion was made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Lee. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Kennedy requested approval of the pay day schedule for 2022-23. Ms. Malsam made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Davidson. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Superintendent Kennedy asked the leaders on the Steering Committee to present an update and the progress of the Strategic Plan. This is a 5-year plan and he explained there are four strategic priorities: Renewed Vision, Great Instruction, Thriving Team, and Exceptional Student Experience. Under each of these priorities are specific initiatives. There are a total of 20 initiatives, of which 11 have actively began. The first presenter was Ms. Taylor, Early Literacy Instructional Coach, began with the K-2 Initiative: EL Education & The Science of Reading. She stated Claiborne Parish is committed to supporting, with excellence, our students in learning to read. Several ways this will take place is through a developed district-wide literacy plan, all K-3 teachers and administrators have, or are currently participating, in Science of Reading courses to improve their practice in better understanding and teaching reading. Furthermore, the strategic initiative for K-2 is focused on great instruction. The administrators are strengthening implementation of high-quality curricula to develop teachers' capacity to teach effective ELA lessons in grades K-2. Overall, consistent results in teacher efficacy in teaching reading should lead to consistent student achievement and gains in reading throughout the district. Ms. Brooks, Haynesville Elementary Principal, discussed some of her initiatives, such as Learners Engaging in Administrative Duties (LEAD). This is an exciting opportunity for teachers in our district who are interested in a future in school building leadership. There is an application process and requirements in order to be accepted into this new

program. The sessions will focus on setting a school vision, relationship building, community relations, discipline, finances and more. Ms. Hilton spoke on her initiative, loss of learning and closing the gap. Ms. Prior discussed social emotional support curriculum as her initiative. Mr. Martin, Ms. Holland and Ms. Rainwater discussed promoting teacher retention and recruitment.

Mr. Kennedy requested approval to renew the Memorandum of Understanding with Career Compass. This has been an annual renewal in which Career Compass provides assistance to graduating high school seniors with understanding career opportunities, education requirements, helping make informed decisions regarding their futures and completing required application forms. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Ms. Knox. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Superintendent Kennedy requested to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College on Behalf of Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center – New Orleans. This is also an annual occurrence renewal. Motion was made by Ms. Malsam, seconded by Mr. Davidson. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Kennedy requested to approve the Memorandum of Agreement and Interagency Agreement with Webster Head Start. Motion was made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Willis. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Superintendent Kennedy requested to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Northwestern State University Dual Enrollment Program. Motion was made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Meadors. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Kennedy asked the Board to grant permission for him to sign SRO Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Homer and Claiborne Parish Sheriff’s Office. The Town of Homer will possibly provide a second SRO on the Homer campus at a reduced rate. In the case there are changes other than explained, a Special Called Meeting will be held to discuss. Motion to grant permission was made by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Lee. Motion passed by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no.

Ms. Turner briefly discussed the June 2022 year-end financials.

Superintendent’s Report:

Personnel Actions – July 14, 2022

I. To be Hired:

a. Certified Teaching or Administrative Positions

Name	Position	Effective	Replacing
Nathan Richardson-Homer Jr	Assist Principal	7/1/22	Glen Guin

b. Classified, Support, Bus Drivers or Other Non-Certificated Positions

Name	Position	Effective	Replacing
ShermaDee McDaniel	Secretary	7/11/22	Brenda Kemmerly

II. Resignations, Retirements:

Name	Position	Effective	Reason
Mallory Gray-Summerfield	Para	7/12/22	Resigned
Chris Cavin-Summerfield	Assist Principal	6/30/22	Resigned
Johnna Jinks-Summerfield	Principal	6/30/22	Resigned
Brenda Kemmerly-CPSB	Secretary	6/30/22	Retired

III. Transfers:

Name	Position	Effective	Reason
LaQuantinee Beene	Teacher Hay Elem	8/1/22	Teacher Hay Jr/Sr
Tierney Turner	Teacher Homer Elem	8/1/22	Teacher Hay Jr/Sr

Alyson Perry	AP Homer Elem	7/1/22	Principal Homer Elem
Kylie Frith	Teacher Homer Elem	8/1/22	Replacing Alyson Perry Homer Elem
Ashley Wafer	Teacher Homer Elem	7/18/22	Master Teacher Homer Elem
Laura Gryder	Teacher Homer Elem	7/18/22	Master Teacher Homer Elem
Christy Coleman	Teacher Hay Jr/Sr	7/18/22	Master Teacher Homer Jr
Kelli Tims	Master Teacher Homer Jr	7/1/22	Principal Homer Jr
Stephenie Gray	Teacher Hay Jr/Sr	8/1/22	APE Homer High
ShaTanjela Black	Teacher Homer Jr	8/1/22	Teacher Homer High
Mark Bahr	Teacher Homer Elem	8/1/22	Teacher Homer High
Kim Beavers	Teacher Homer High	7/18/22	Master Teacher Homer High
Monica Morrow	Principal Homer Elem	7/1/22	Principal Summerfield
Greg Scriber	Teacher Summerfield	7/1/22	DOS Summerfield
Lori Lewis	Teacher Homer Elem	8/1/22	Teacher Summerfield
Tia Meziere	Para Homer Elem	8/1/22	Para Summerfield
Kristen Tushner	Teacher Homer Elem	8/1/22	Teacher Summerfield
Amber Wyatt	Para Homer Elem	8/1/22	Para Summerfield
Amy Scriber	Teacher Summerfield	7/18/22	Master Teacher Summerfield
Penny Andrews	Teacher Haynes Jr/Sr	8/1/22	Teacher Summerfield
Courtney Smith	Principal Homer Jr	7/1/22	TAP Coordinator

1. The qualifying dates for board member elections are July 20 – July 22.
2. The Homer winter damage claim has been finalized between the district’s insurance company and Putman Restoration.
3. Teacher Professional Development days will be August 1 – 3. It will be held at each school site. There will be an 8:15 a.m. Zoom presentation with the Superintendent.
4. The first day for students will be Thursday, August 4th.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

William Maddox, President
Claiborne Parish School Board

ATTEST:

Mr. William Kennedy, Secretary
Claiborne Parish School Board