



**City of Baker School Board Meeting  
March 6, 2018**

**MINUTES**

The City of Baker School Board met in regular session in the Board Room of the City of Baker School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on March 6, 2018.

Dr. Dana Carpenter, Board President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken by Dr. Carpenter:

DEES:	Present
BOXIE:	Present
DAVIS:	Present
CARPENTER:	Present
JOHNSON:	Present

A moment of silent meditation was led by Mrs. Davis, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Dees. Dr. Carpenter welcomed all visitors to the meeting.

On motion of Mrs. Johnson seconded by Mr. Dees, the Board voted to approve the agenda. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

Dr. Leroy Davis presented the Board with a check made out to Baker High School in the amount of \$1,000 on behalf of the Baker Lions Club, to assist the Baker High School Symphonic Band in raising funds to travel to Carnegie Hall. At this time Board Members Calvin Dees and Shona Boxie also made monetary contributions to the band for their upcoming trip.

On motion of Mr. Dees seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 6, 2018 with the following correction: "**Dr. Carpenter**, Board President, called the meeting to order." Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to accept the certified personnel actions and to approve the non-certified personnel actions. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Louisiana Resource Center for Educators (LRCE) Teach and the City of Baker School System to assist in the recruitment, identification and development of a pool of potential effective teachers for the City of Baker School System, and other responsibilities as outlined in the MOU. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board voted to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between iteachLOUISIANA and the City of Baker School System to assist in the recruitment, identification and development of a pool of potential effective teachers for the City of Baker School System, and other responsibilities as outlined in the MOU. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

After a brief presentation by Dr. Verjanis Peoples, Director of the School of Education at Southern University, a motion was made by Mrs. Davis to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Southern University School of Education and the City of Baker School System to assist in the recruitment, identification and development of a pool of potential effective teachers for the City of Baker School System, and other responsibilities as outlined in the MOU. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dees. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Boxie, Dees and Johnson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Mr. Dees, the Board voted to grant approval for Baker Middle School, and Baker High School to offer Boys' Soccer and Girls' Soccer, with Park Ridge Academic and Magnet School participating with Baker Middle School. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board voted to approve the City of Baker School System Academic Calendar for 2018-2019, as well as adding five (5) instructional days for Bakerfield Elementary School, Baker Heights Elementary School, and Baker Middle School prior to the beginning of the regular academic school year. (Their start date will be August 1st as opposed to August 8th). Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Johnson seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to accept the financial report for the period ending February 28, 2018, as presented by Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Business Manager. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Dees, Boxie, and Johnson. Voting no: None.

Superintendent Brister made the following announcements/remarks:

1. Superintendent Brister visited a Career Magnet Center in Lafourche Parish to research options for Careers, Career Tech Ed., and Jump Start for the students who may not be going on to attend a four-year college. As soon as the District completes construction on the high school we need to immediately place focus on developing a program similar to that in Lafourche Parish. We have the infrastructure to do this. So we need to "speak" a vision of a 3-5 year plan to develop a similar program for our students here in the City of Baker School System.
2. There are a lot of great things posted on the website:
  - a. The Girls' Softball Team is 8 and 2.
  - b. LSU hosted "Girl's Night Out at the Museum" to promote girls in STEM. Out of 30-40 participants, 3 were selected from the City of Baker School System. Congratulations to those young ladies for their interest in STEM.
3. The Superintendent offered his appreciation to the City of Baker Fire Department for their participation in "Dr. Seuss Read Across America".
4. The Band did a great job in their participation at the TRIO at Southern University.
5. Mr. William Earvin, Baker High School Band Director, was selected to serve on a National Music Education Committee focused around creating bands in difficult areas in small communities.
6. Baker High School Students attended the DECA Career and Development Conference where 6 out of 346 students won first place from their Micro-Enterprise presentations.
7. Other events can be found on the District's website which is updated regularly as events occur.

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Dr. Carpenter thanked those in attendance for coming and announced the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, in the Board Room of the School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Voting yes: Carpenter, Davis, Boxie, Dees and Johnson. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Dr. Herman Brister, Secretary.