

CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING July 12, 2016

MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board met in special session in the Board Room of the City of Baker School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on July 12, 2016. Mrs. Shona P. Boxie, Board President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken by Mrs. Boxie:

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

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

Mr. Calvin Dees, Sr. was sworn in as the interim City of Baker School Board Member for District 5, filling a vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Doris Alexander, by Board Attorney, Winston DeCuir, Sr.

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

On motion of Mrs. Johnson seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meetings of June 7, 2016, June 9, 2016 and July 1, 2016. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

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

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mr. Dees, the Board voted to approve Scenario # 4 (same coverage as last plan year and no increase in cost to employees) of the offered health insurance packages for Plan Year September 1, 2016 through August 30, 2017. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Johnson seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the property insurance, liability insurance and workers compensation packages. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

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On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board voted approval to elect uninsured/underinsured motorist bodily coverage with a \$250,000 limit to the automobile policy, and further moved to authorize Dr. Herman Brister, Superintendent, to sign on behalf of the City of Baker School Board to elect uninsured/underinsured motorist bodily coverage to the automobile policy. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mr. Dees, the Board voted to award the janitorial supplies contract for the City of Baker School System to Economical Paper and Janitorial Supplies. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mr. Dees, the Board voted to renew the contract with York to provide claims services for general liability, auto liability and professional liability for the period August 7, 2016 through August 6, 2017. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

Mr. Greg Bergeron provided an overview of the services his company, EIS (Electronic Information Systems) MedClaims, LLC provides to school systems regarding Medicaid billing. On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve a contract with EIS MedClaims, LLC to provide Medicaid billing services for the City of Baker School System, pending review by the Board Attorney. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board voted to approve a contract with Hammonds, Sills, Adkins and Guice to provide in-service training on the discipline of students protected under IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) and Section 504 to City of Baker School System staff. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve revisions to the following job descriptions:

- Individualized Education Program (IEP) Facilitator
- Behavior Intervention Strategist

Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

Board Attorney, Winston DeCuir, Sr., provided a summary of revisions to the City of Baker School System *Students' Rights and Responsibilities & Policy Handbook* for 2006-2007. On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board voted to table the item until the next Board Meeting to give the Board more time to review the document. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

Superintendent Brister made the following remarks/announcements:

- 1. The District will host a Back-to-School Give Away on Saturday, August 6th, from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the School Board Office.
- 2. An Early Learning Summer Program for elementary students will begin on July 18th. It will be held at Bakerfield Elementary School, and will help get students ready for the new school year.
- 3. A Uniform Fair was held on Saturday, July 9th, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Another Fair is scheduled for Saturday, July 30th.
- 4. Staff is preparing school facilities for the new school year. The Lion's Club has donated a Saturday to help with the flooring in the Baker High School Band Room, and the carpet in the Baker Middle School Library.

- 5. When you have an opportunity, please visit the District's new website. It is easier to navigate and more user-friendly.
- 6. Our new finance system, eFinance Plus, went online today.
- 7. Some of our new coaches attended training to obtain their CDL (Commercial Drivers' License). They will not be able to assist with transporting out students to activities.
- 8. Our Back-to-School Convocation will be held on August 4th in the Baker High School Auditorium.
- 9. On August 5th, we will hold a Professional Development Summit at Baker Middle School.
- 10. The City of Baker School System Employee Benefits Fair is scheduled for August 8th, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Baker Middle School
- 11. We recently learned that our Jobs for Louisiana's Graduates (JAG) grant has been approved by the Louisiana Department of Education.

Mrs. Boxie thanked those in attendance for coming and announced the next regular meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Board Office.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Dees seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Voting yes: Boxie, Johnson, Carpenter, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Dr. Herman Brister, Secretary