



CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING September 1, 2015

MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board met in the Board Room of the City of Baker School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on September 1, 2015. Mrs. Elaine G. Davis, Board President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken by Mrs. Davis:

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| ALEXANDER: | Present |
| CARPENTER: | Present |
| DAVIS: | Present |
| BOXIE: | Present |
| JOHNSON: | Present |

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

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

Baker High School Head Football Coach, Richard Oliver, introduced the 2015-2016 senior football players and the coaching staff to the Board and audience.

Mr. Duane Jordan, with Allstate Insurance Company, presented certificates and gift cards to the 2015 Teacher and Principals of the Year:

- Amy Constance, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School, Teacher of the Year
- Tammy Golden, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School, Middle School Principal of the Year
- Lakesha Penn, Baker Heights Elementary School, Elementary School Principal of the Year

On motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meeting of August 18, 2015. Voting yes: Davis, Boxie, Alexander, Carpenter and Johnson. Voting no: None.

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

On motion of Mrs. Alexander seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. Voting yes: Davis, Boxie, Alexander, Carpenter and Johnson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Johnson seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to approve the following out-of-state travels for the Baker High School Band:

1. October 2, 2015 – Woodville, MS to participate in the Wilkinson County High School Homecoming Parade.
2. October 10, 2015 – Lorman, MS to participate in the Alcorn State University Battle of the Bands Competition
3. October 11, 2015 – Mobile, AL to participate in the “Port City” Marching Band Festival

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

On motion of Mrs. Alexander seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to approve the completed “Specific Performance Objectives and Targets” as Attachment A to the Superintendent’s Contract. Voting yes: Davis, Boxie, Alexander, Carpenter and Johnson. Voting no: None.

Superintendent Brister made the following remarks:

1. Newsletters from each school went home to parents today. I’m told this is the first time that all schools prepared newsletters and sent them out on the same day.
2. Baker Heights and Bakerfield Elementary Schools and Baker Middle School completed initial placement testing last week in SuccessMaker math and reading.
3. Acuity testing has begun.
4. DRA reading assessment started this week to determine our literacy intervention.
5. DIBELS testing was completed in short order. Staff completed this task two months earlier than last year.
6. The Baker High School Football Team will be undertaking community projects.
7. Baker Middle School’s Band received word today that it is recipient of an “Action for the Arts” Grant from The House of Blues Music Forward Foundation in the amount of \$3,000. Mr. Tory Williams, Baker Middle School’s Band Director, will use the funds to repair instruments and to purchase a new tuba for the band.
8. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Town Hall Meeting on August 25, 2015, and thank you to Baker High School for hosting the event in the school’s auditorium.

Mrs. Davis thanked those in attendance for coming and announced the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Board Office.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board voted to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Voting yes: Davis, Boxie, Alexander, Carpenter and Johnson. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Dr. Herman Brister, Secretary.