

## CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING July 23, 2013

## **MINUTES**

The City of Baker School Board met in the Board Room of the School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on July 23, 2013, Mrs. Shona Boxie, Board President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was then taken by Mrs. Boxie:

WATSON: Absent \*
ALEXANDER: Present
BOXIE: Present
CARPENTER: Present
DAVIS: Present

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

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the agenda with the addition of the following as Agenda Item #9:

"A discussion of pending litigation of Yoland Hills, on behalf of her minor child, Dashira Hills v. Rashander Walker and the City of Baker School Board, Docket No.:614,488, Div.:D, 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Parish of East Baton Rouge (EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUIRED).

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

Dr. Carpenter reported on the Committee's search for a site for the location of the School Board and Central Office:

The Committee looked at several locations. Out of those properties, only two (2) were viewed as possible locations:

- The building previously housing Albertson's in the Plank Road Crossing Shopping Center. It would need to be renovated and the owner would rent it to the School Board.
- 2. The Graves Chevrolet building. The School Board would only purchase the portion formerly housing the new cars at the corner of Petit and Plank Road (approximately 5.9 acres). This property already has office space, but would need some renovation. The Board would purchase this property.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Capenter, the Board voted to authorize the Board's Vice President and the Superintendent to negotiate the purchase of the Graves Realty Group property on the corner of Petit Road and Plank Road in the City of Baker, and then authorize them to make an offer to acquire the property at the negotiated price, not to exceed the appraised value with such other conditions and terms as they deem appropriate. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

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\* Ms. Watson joined the meeting at this time.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss the pending litigation of *Yolanda Hills*, on behalf of her minor child, Dashira Hills v. Rashander Walker and the City of Baker School Board, Docket No.: 614,488, Div.: D, 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Parish of East Baton Rouge. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

Mrs. Boxie informed the audience that while in Executive Session no motions would be made or votes taken.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to return to regular session. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to authorize the Board Attorney to negotiate to resolve the case. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

Mrs. Boxie thanked those in attendance for coming and announced the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Board Office.

There being no further business, on motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to adjourn. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander, Davis and Watson. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Ulysses Joseph, Secretary.