



**City of Baker School Board
November 5, 2019**

MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board held a public meeting in the Board Room of the City of Baker School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on November 5, 2019.

Mrs. Shona P. Boxie, President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken by Mrs. Boxie:

BURGES:	Present
PARKER:	Present
DAVIS:	Present
BOXIE:	Present
BOOKER:	Present

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

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Ms. Booker, the Board voted to approve the agenda. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

Superintendent Brister and the Board recognized the following and presented each with a Medallion of Achievement:

- Miss Destiny Jones, Baker Middle School JAG President, elected as JAG-LA Representative for Middle School Programs, at the JAG Leadership Conference on October 24, 2019, In Alexandria, Louisiana
- Ms. Keyo Johnson, JAG Specialist, selected as JAG Trainer for the conference (trained and equipped JAG Middle School Presidents statewide)

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meeting of October 1, 2019. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

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

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Parker, the Board voted to accept the monthly financial report including budget to actual comparisons for the period ending September 30, 2019, as presented by Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Business Manager. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to approve a memorandum of understanding between Louisiana State University, College of Human Sciences & Education, School of Education and the City of Baker School District for the creation, delivery and maintenance of a STEM alternative certification program for middle and secondary educators. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Ms. Booker seconded by Mrs. Parker the Board voted to approve a resolution to employ Charles Hardie with the firm Hammonds, Sills, Adkins and Guice, LLP, Attorneys at Law as special counsel for individual Board Members in the litigation entitled Ken Tillage Construction Company, et al v. the City of Baker School Board, Sharlous Booker, Shona Boxie and Vanessa Parker.

A roll call vote was taken:

YEA: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Parker
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: Davis

Superintendent Brister made the following announcements/remarks:

1. Baker High School will hold a “Battle of the Bands” Saturday, November 9th, from 2:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.
2. The State Department of Education released the Financial Aid Planning submission rates as of July 6, 2019. I’m pleased to say our school district came in at number 14 with 96%.
3. Our Pre-K program maintained a “proficient” rating.
4. The City of Baker School System held a “Lunch and Learn” for our Student of the Year candidates and their parents. The purpose was to help our students submit the best portfolios possible for the competition.
5. Hats off to our Girls’ Volleyball Team for making the playoff. They will be playing Pope John Paul High School.
6. We play University High this Friday at home.
7. The State Bond Commission will meet on Thursday, November 21, 2019. I will email Board Members the exact time of the meeting tomorrow.

Mrs. Boxie thanked those in attendance for coming and announced the next Board Meeting would be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Board Office. A School Board Workshop will be held prior to the Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

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

Submitted by Dr. Herman Brister, Secretary.