



## City of Baker School Board Meeting July 11, 2023

### MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board held a public meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11, 2023.

President Burges called the meeting to order and explained to visitors the process for speaking on action agenda items is to request a comment card from Mrs. Debbie Dedeaux. Write your name on the card as well as the number of the agenda item you wish to speak on and return the card to Mrs. Dedeaux. She will bring the card up to the Board President at the appropriate time. Visitors will be allowed two (2) minutes to speak.

Roll call was taken by President Burges:

Perkins:	Present
Profit:	Present
Joseph:	Present
Butler:	Present
Burges:	Present

President Burges announced there was a quorum and the meeting would proceed.

Silent Meditation was led by Mrs. Burges followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Joseph.

President Burges welcomed all visitors to the meeting.

#### **Recognitions:**

1. President Burges presented Mr. David Grisby, Human Resources Supervisor with a framed certificate of appreciation for his ten+ years of service to the City of Baker School System and his total 33 years of service to education.

On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

#### **Action Items:**

1. On motion of Ms. Profit seconded by Ms. Butler, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the School Board Meeting of June 6, 2023. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.
2. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to accept the monthly financial report including budget to actual comparisons for the period ending May 31, 2023, as presented by Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Business Manager. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

Mrs. Joseph and Mrs. Perkins requested a meeting be scheduled with the contractor for the Baker High School Project and all others involved, so that all board members could be on the same page.

3. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Joseph, the Board voted to approve the following Memorandums of Understanding (Mou's):

- MOU with Southern University School of Nursing Program
- MOU with Southern University for Residency Teacher Education Program
- MOU with iTeachLouisiana, LLC
- MOU with Restore Outreach Center (ROC), LLC for School Behavioral Health Services

Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

4. On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Ms. Butler, the Board voted to update the Compensation Policy to match the Single Lane Salary Schedule approved at the June 6, 2023 Board Meeting. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

5. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Perkins, the Board voted to approve the solicitation of bids for lawn care. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

6. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Perkins, the Board voted to approve the Human Resources Supervisor job description. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

7. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Perkins, the Board voted to approve bids for the following products for the period July1, 2023 – June 30, 2024:

- Borden Dairy for milk and milk products
- Pon Food Corporation for frozen foods and processed foods
- Economical Janitorial and Paper Supplies and Interboro Packaging for Supplies

Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

8. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to approve the Employee Health Care and Supplemental Insurance packages for 2023-2024. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

9. On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Ms. Butler, the Board voted to renew the policy updating service with Forethought Consulting, Inc. for July 2023 to June 2024. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

10. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to approve the Property insurance, liability insurance, and workers compensation packages for the 2023-2024 plan year. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.
11. On motion of Ms. Butler, seconded by Mrs. Perkins, the Board voted to elect uninsured/Underinsured motorist bodily coverage with a \$250,000 limit to the automobile policy, And further moved to authorize Mr. James T. Stroder, Interim 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: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, And Burges. Voting no: None.
12. On motion of Ms. Butler seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to designate *The Advocate* as the official journal of the City of Baker School Board for the period Beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.
13. On motion of Mrs. Joseph seconded by Mrs. Perkins, the Board voted to table this item: Consideration and Approval to Hire a Superintendent Search Firm, and set a date for A work session to hear from the four (4) firms expressing interest. The work session Was scheduled for Thursday, July 27, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.

**Information Items:**

1. The Superintendent's Report on Personnel was provided to the Board.

**Announcements:**

1. Date of Next Meeting -- August 1, 2023

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mrs. Candace Bailey provided a report on the District's STEAMsational Summer Program. A total of 303 students participated in the summer program this year. In grades K-3, there were 145 students. In grades 4-8, there were 158 students. Thirty-five high school students participated in the program. Our pre-K program was from June 21-29, and we had 10 students. The STEAMsational Summer Program afforded all students the opportunity to participate in many fun and educational experiences.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Perkins seconded by Ms. Butler, the Board voted to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Joseph, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: None.