

Port Allen, Louisiana
October 19, 2005

A regular meeting of the West Baton Rouge Parish School Board was held this date with the following membership:

Present: Jason P. Manola, President, Cynthia M. Crochet, Cecile G. Gauthreaux,
Dr. Atley D. Walker, Sr., Ronald P. LeBlanc, Charles Morgan, G. Alden Chustz, Jr.,
Michael A. Maranto, C. A. Altazan, Jr.
Absent: Paul C. Pattan, Sr.

The meeting was opened with the invocation by Reverend Charles Morgan. Lanie Vaughn, Brusly Middle School student, and Dexter Williams, Devall Middle School student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The next item was approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting held on September 21, 2005.

Whereupon, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Morgan:

Be It Resolved, That the minutes of the regular board meeting held on September 21, 2005, be approved as presented.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Aye: Mrs. Crochet, Mrs. Gauthreaux, Dr. Walker, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Chustz, Mr. Maranto, Mr. Altazan, Mr. Manola
Nay: None
Absent And
Not Voting: Mr. Pattan

The next item was the Superintendent's Report.

1. Request for resolution for the family of Mr. Joe Denicola and the family of Mr. Isadore Vance.
2. Update on the effects of Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita on the West Baton Rouge School System. Plan for make-up days was submitted to Superintendent Picard.
3. Update on five modular classrooms donated by the Falls Church City Public School System which are scheduled to arrive Tuesday, October 25th. Three of the five will be located at Brusly High School and the other two will be located at Brusly Elementary School.

The Chairman declared the floor open for public comment.

Whereupon, President Jason Manola asked the board to recognize parents from Holy Family School that wanted to discuss problems their children experienced on the bus. With no objections from the board, President Manola allowed the parents to address the board.

The next item was adoption of a resolution for the family of Mr. Joe Denicola and the family of Mr. Isadore Vance.

The Chairman declared the floor open for public comment.

Whereupon, the following resolutions were offered by Mr. Maranto and seconded by Mr. Altazan:

Be It Resolved, That the West Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby extend to the family of Mr. Joe Denicola its feeling of sincere appreciation for the many years of devoted service rendered by Mr. Denicola in the West Baton Rouge Parish School System, and

Be It Further Resolved, That the board does hereby offer its sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of Mr. Denicola.

Be It Resolved, That the West Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby extend to the family of Mr. Isadore Vance its feeling of sincere appreciation for the many years of devoted service rendered by Mr. Vance in the West Baton Rouge Parish School System, and

Be It Further Resolved, That the board does hereby offer its sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of Mr. Vance.

The above resolutions were adopted by the following vote:

**Aye: Mrs. Crochet, Mrs. Gauthreaux, Dr. Walker, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Chustz, Mr. Maranto, Mr. Altazan, Mr. Manola**

Nay: None

Absent And

Not Voting: Mr. Pattan

The Chairman declared the floor open for public comment.

Whereupon, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Morgan:

Be It Resolved, That the board does hereby accept and approve Superintendent Corona's report.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote:

**Aye: Mrs. Crochet, Mrs. Gauthreaux, Dr. Walker, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Chustz, Mr. Maranto, Mr. Altazan, Mr. Manola**

Nay: None

Absent And

Not Voting: Mr. Pattan

The next item was a report from Board appointees to Community Committees/Agencies.

Whereupon, President Manola recognized Mr. Louis Mouch representing the Brusly Lions Club, Mr. Willie Thousand representing Port Allen Lions Club, and Mrs. Judy Thousand representing the West Side Lions Club, who were at the meeting to distribute red ribbons to the board members for National Red Ribbon Week, October 24-31, 2005.

The Chairman declared the floor open for public comment.

Whereupon, the following resolution was offered by Mrs. Gauthreaux and seconded by Mr. Morgan:

Be It Resolved, That the West Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby adopt the National resolution proclaiming October 24-31, 2005, National Red Ribbon Celebration.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Aye: Mrs. Crochet, Mrs. Gauthreaux, Dr. Walker, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Chustz, Mr. Maranto, Mr. Altazan, Mr. Manola
Nay: None
Absent And
Not Voting: Mr. Pattan

Whereupon, the following resolution was offered by Mrs. Crochet and seconded by Mr. Altazan:

Be It Resolved, That the West Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby express its appreciation to the Brusly Lions Club, Port Allen Lions Club, and West Side Lions Club for supporting the school system and for their interest in the well being of the children of West Baton Rouge Parish, and

Be It Further Resolved, That the West Baton Rouge Parish School Board does hereby express its appreciation to the Brusly Lions Club, Port Allen Lions Club, and West Side Lions Club for furnishing the red ribbons used in the schools for “National Red Ribbon Celebration” October 24-31, 2005.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Aye: Mrs. Crochet, Mrs. Gauthreaux, Dr. Walker, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Chustz, Mr. Maranto, Mr. Altazan, Mr. Manola
Nay: None
Absent And
Not Voting: Mr. Pattan

The next agenda item was presentation of the following items on the Consent Agenda:

8. Consideration of personnel matters.
9. Consideration of request for approval of update on Louisiana Comprehensive Curriculum and Curriculum Mapping/Sharon Lair (Academics Committee Report/October 11, 2005)
10. Consideration of request for approval of the monthly expenditures and financial reports (Personnel and Finance Committee Report/October 11, 2005)
11. Consideration of request for approval of the annual renewal of the Policy Updating Service Contract with Jimmy Prescott, Jr., Forethought Consulting, Inc., for the period beginning November 1, 2005 – October 31, 2006 (Personnel and Finance Committee Report – October 11, 2005)

The Chairman declared the floor open for public comment.

Whereupon, the following resolution was offered by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Dr. Walker:

Be It Resolved, That the board does hereby approve and adopt Consent Agenda items #8, #9, #10, and #11 as presented.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote:

**Aye: Mrs. Crochet, Mrs. Gauthreaux, Dr. Walker, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Chustz, Mr. Maranto, Mr. Altazan, Mr. Manola**

Nay: None

Absent And

Not Voting: Mr. Pattan

The next item was announcement of the November 8, 2005, committee meeting date.

There being no further business to come before the board, the following resolution was offered by Mr. Altazan and seconded by Mr. Chustz:

Be It Resolved, That the meeting be adjourned.

The above resolution was adopted by the following vote:

**Aye: Mrs. Crochet, Mrs. Gauthreaux, Dr. Walker, Mr. LeBlanc, Mr. Morgan,
Mr. Chustz, Mr. Maranto, Mr. Altazan, Mr. Manola**

Nay: None

Absent And

Not Voting: Mr. Pattan

David Corona
Secretary-Treasurer

Jason P. Manola
President