

THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRANT PARISH SCHOOL  
BOARD OF THE PARISH OF GRANT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN  
AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021

The Parish School Board of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, met in its regular meeting place, the Grant Parish School Board Office, Colfax, Louisiana, in Regular Session, Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.

There were present Mrs. Mary Bullock, Mr. Lloyd Whitman, Mr. Randy Browning, Mrs. Lisa Roberts, Mr. Mike Slaughter, Mrs. Deborah "Debbie" McFarland and Mr. William "Bill" Riggs. Mrs. Layton was late arriving.

Mr. Paxton Teddlie, Secretary-Treasurer was also present.

The Parish School Board of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, was duly convened by Mr. Mike Slaughter, Vice-President of the Grant Parish School Board, who then stated that the Grant Parish School Board was ready to transact any business which may come before the Board. (Mrs. McFarland wasn't feeling well).

Motion by Mr. Riggs, seconded by Mrs. McFarland and unanimously approved the May 4, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes and May 10, 2021 Special Meeting, Work Session, Budget Meeting Minutes.

Recognize: Board Member Training Hours for 2020: Mary Bullock: District 1, 6 Hours; Lloyd Whitman: District 2, 7.5 Hours; Karen Layton: District 3, 9 Hours; Randy Browning: District 4, 9 Hours; Lisa Roberts: District 5, 10 Hours; Mike Slaughter: District 6, 9.5 Hours; Debbie McFarland: District 7, 8 Hours; and Bill Riggs: District, 10.5 Hours.

No guests signed in to be recognized.

Retirements: Judi Beavers – Paraprofessional at Grant High School, 28 years of service, effective June 1, 2021; Pam Crane – Speech Pathologist at Pollock Elementary School, 18 years of service, effective June 1, 2021; Sheila Dubois – Paraprofessional at Grant Jr. High School, 21 years of service, effective May 22, 2021; Dulcy Hayes – Teacher at Colfax Elementary School, 56 years of service, effective May 22, 2021; Mahshid Marivani – Teacher at Grant High School, 18 years of service, effective May 22, 2021; Paula Murphy – Teacher at South Grant Elementary School, 30 years of service, effective May 22, 2021; Jeanette Shows – Teacher at South Grant

Elementary School, 30 years of service, effective May 22, 2021; and Virginia Voorhies – Teacher at South Grant Elementary School, 31 years of service, effective May 24, 2021.

Committee items:

The Finance Committee discussed: (Finance Committee Items A. 1-4 were moved to the end of the Finance Committee Meeting.) Discuss and Consider continuing Contract with Joel / Moore Champions Insurance (Motion Mrs. Bullock, Second Mr. Whitman); Discuss and Consider Continuing Emergency Remediation Contract with Cimarron (Motion Mrs. Bullock, Second Mr. Whitman); (Mr. Slaughter moved the following to the Full Board Meeting at 6:00PM: Discuss and Consider Continuing SM Contract with Cimarron and Discuss and Consider Remaining in State of Emergency for Storms). Discuss 2021/2022 Budgets; Discuss expiring ad valorem taxes and upcoming elections; Approve Resolution to sell Surplus Equipment from the Transportation Department (Motion Mr. Riggs, Second Mr. Whitman; consider approving replacement of Power Pole on Ballfield at Georgetown High School for \$9,500 using current year funds; Consider approving replacement of 2 sets of doors on white building at Pollock, \$8,020 – using current year funds (Motion Mrs. Bullock, Second Mr. Riggs): Give Superintendent permission to encumber insurance funds for projects not to exceed \$250,000 for work to repair and restore buildings damaged by storms (Motion Mr. Whitman, Second Mrs. McFarland); Discussion and Update on Insurance Claims with Joel Moore, Charles Hardie and Jon Guice; Discuss and Consider continuing Contract with Joel / Moore Champions Insurance (Motion Mrs. Bullock, Second Mr. Whitman); Discuss and Consider Continuing Emergency Remediation Contract with Cimarron (Motion Mrs. Bullock, Second Mr. Whitman). (Mr. Slaughter moved the following to the Full Board Meeting at 6:00PM: Discuss and Consider Continuing CM Contract with Cimarron and Discuss and Consider Remaining in State of Emergency for Storms).

The Transportation and Maintenance Committee discussed considering approving replacing Bus 261 with funds recouped from insurance company (Motion Mr. Browning, Second Mr. Riggs.

Motion by Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mr. Whitman and unanimously approved continuing Contract with Joel Moore / Champions Insurance

Motion by Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mr. Whitman and unanimously approved to discuss and consider continuing Emergency Remediation Contract with Cimarron.

Motion by Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mr. Whitman and unanimously approved to amend previous agenda item to read as Discuss and Consider Continuing Emergency Remediation Contract with Cimarron on the four remaining projects: Tractor Shed / Locker Room at Montgomery High School, Bus Canopy at Grant Jr. High, Cafeteria at Verda Elementary School and Ballpark at Verda Elementary School.

Motion by Mr. Riggs, seconded by Mr. Browning to discuss and cancel Construction Manager Contract with Cimarron and Grant Parish School Board Council be instructed to provide the proper notice in order to cancel Construction Manager Contract with Cimarron. Roll Call: Mr. Browning – Aye, Mrs. Roberts – Nay, Mr. Whitman – Nay, Mrs. McFarland – Aye, Mr. Riggs – Aye, Mrs. Bullock – Nay, Mr. Slaughter – Aye. Mrs. Layton was not present at the time of the vote.

Motion by Mr. Riggs, seconded by Mr. Browning to discuss and not remain in State of Emergency for Storms.

Motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved to add an agenda item giving Superintendent Teddlie permission to move forward to seek proposal for Construction Manager.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Riggs and unanimously approved giving Superintendent Teddlie permission to move forward to seek proposal for Construction Manager.

Motion by Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mrs. McFarland and unanimously approved Approve Resolution to sell Surplus Equipment from the Transportation Department.

RESOLUTION

The Grant Parish School Board having ownership of surplus equipment and supplies intends to offer them for sale at public auction.


WHEREAS, the items are listed as follows with the minimum price for each:

- 1 Air compressor (serial 754734) \$450.
- 1 Air compressor (serial 30TCR24775) \$450.
- 1 Pressure washer (serial 1575720161823) \$250.
- 1 2008 Ford F350 Truck with crane \$2000.
- 1 2007 Dodge Ram25 Truck \$1500.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Grant Parish School Board will advertise and place these items for sale at the next available public auction conducted by Lasyone Auctions.

This is to certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by the Grant Parish School Board in regular session held at Colfax, Louisiana, on June 1, 2021.

  
Deborah McFarland, President  
Grant Parish School Board

  
Paxton Teddlie, Superintendent  
Grant Parish School Board

Motion by Mr. Riggs, seconded by Mr. Whitman and unanimously approved replacement of Power Pole on Ballfield at Georgetown High School for \$9,500 using current year funds.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Bullock and unanimously approved replacement of 2 sets of doors on white building at Pollock, \$8,020 – using current year funds.

Motion by Mr. Whitman, seconded by Mrs. Bullock and unanimously approved Give Superintendent permission to encumber insurance funds for projects not to exceed \$250,000 for work to repair and restore buildings damaged by storms.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Riggs and unanimously approved replacing Bus 261 with funds recouped from insurance company.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Roberts and unanimously approved to discuss and approve date for Special Board Meeting to consider Property Insurance and Boiler and Machinery Insurance Proposals. The Special Board Meeting will be held at 6:00PM on June 17, 2021.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Bullock and unanimously approved the 2021-2022 Preliminary General Fund Operating Budget.

Motion by Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mrs. Roberts and unanimously approved the 2021-2022 Preliminary Parishwide and District Budgets.

Motion by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved the 2021-2022 Preliminary Lunch Fund Budget.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mrs. Roberts and unanimously approved all other 2021-2022 Preliminary Budgets.

Motion by Mr. Riggs, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously received and approved the 2021-2022 Twelve Month Employee Calendar.

Motion by Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mr. Slaughter and unanimously discussed and approved time and date for July Board Meeting to be moved from Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 6:00PM to July 15, 2021 at 6:00PM.

Motion by Mrs. Bullock seconded by Mr. Riggs and unanimously approved to Agenda Items XV to XIX at once: the 2021-2022 Grant Parish School Policy Handbook and 2021-2022 Student and Faculty Handbooks for Grant Jr. High School, Grant High School, South Grant Elementary School and Pollock Elementary School; Personal Device Procedure, Technology Loan Agreement and Chromebook Usage and Guidelines; the Grant Parish School Board Internet Safety and Technology Policy (will replace what is in the handbook that was sent in for receive last month); the Student Acceptable Use Agreement (will replace what is in the handbook that was sent in for receive last month) and the Employee Acceptable Use Agreement (will replace what is in the handbook that was sent in for receive last month).

Motion by Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mrs. McFarland and unanimously approved to grant permission to the Superintendent to provide stipends to employees once approval is received from LDOE. Additional compensation to teachers and other staff that work in-person and performed extra duties during the 2020-2021 school year. This compensation is to address the additional duties such as virtual learning, cleaning, additional time, and other additional

duties staff were required to perform during the regular school day due to COVID protocol and requirement.

Received for approval at the July meeting the 2021-2022 Student and Faculty Handbooks for Colfax Elementary School, Verda Elementary School, Georgetown High School and Montgomery High School.

The Superintendent discussed with the board members Letter of Superintendent intention to seek new Contract; Personnel Report; Financial Report; COVID numbers; Virtual Numbers; Student Count; Verification of Completion: LSBA On-Demand Training – Annual Convention Sessions – Due no later than June 7, 2021; LSBA - Frequently asked Questions – School Board Member Training; Southern Region Leadership Conference July 18 – 20, 2021 in Biloxi, MS – (Sunday July 18, 2021 Early Bird Seminars); and Postcard – LSBA Summer Virtual Leadership Conference – Series One - June 18-19, 2021 and Series Two - July 30-31, 2021.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Riggs to amend agenda to add item to award lowest bid for Georgetown High School Campus with D’Argent Construction, LLC.

Motion by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Browning to accept lowest bid for Georgetown High School Campus with D’Argent Construction, LLC.

Motion by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Riggs to amend above item to accept Base Bid and Alternate 1 with D’Argent Construction, LLC.

Motion by Mr. Whitman, seconded by Mrs. Bullock and unanimously approved adjourning the meeting.

s/Deborah “Debbie” McFarland  
Deborah “Debbie” McFarland  
President  
Grant Parish School Board

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Paxton Teddlie  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Grant Parish School Board