

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, MARCH 2, 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, March 2, 2021 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.

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

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

The Parish School Board of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, was duly convened by Mrs. Deborah "Debbie" McFarland, 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.

Motion by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Whitman and unanimously approved the February 2, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes and February 23, 2021 Emergency Minutes.

Recognize: Grant High School – JROTC to present Obstacle Course and Mr. Lee Willis, Auditor with Rozier, McKay & Willis, to give 2020-21 Audit Report.

No guests signed in to be recognized.

The Board Members had a Work Session at 4:00PM – Discussion of Status of Insurance Claims caused by hurricanes and recent ice storm.

Motion by Mr. Riggs, seconded by Mr. Browning and unanimously approved establishing Board Committees. Finance Committee: Mike Slaughter - Chair, Mary Bullock and Lloyd Whitman. Transportation and Maintenance Committee: Lisa Roberts - Chair, Karen Layton, Randy Browning and Bill Riggs.

Motion by Mr. Whitman, seconded by Mrs. Bullock and unanimously approved to discuss and consider a time and date for April 2021 Board Meeting which will be held on April 15, 2021 at 6:00PM.

Motion by Mr. Riggs, seconded by Mrs. Roberts and unanimously approved School Choice Plan.



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School Choice Plan 2021-2022

In compliance with Bulletin 111 - The Louisiana School, District, and State Accountability System, local school districts are required to offer families of students enrolled in schools that receive letter grades of D or F the opportunity to transfer their children to select schools with an A, B, and/or C rating. The option to transfer is based on the selected receiving schools' grade-level capacity.

1. The GPSB will notify parents of their school choice options if a school's initial identification for School Improvement 1 or above or Academically Unacceptable Level 1 (AUS1) or above occurs with the fall final accountability release. The school shall offer choice beginning with the following school year.
2. Students will be offered a choice to eligible receiving schools with available capacity. Parent preferences among choices offered will be considered but not guaranteed. Capacity is 85% of the grade-level limit as detailed by Bulletin 741 – Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators. Considerations affecting capacity also include group size restrictions issued by the State of Louisiana.
 - a. The maximum enrollment in a class or section in grades K-3 shall be 26 students.
 - b. The maximum enrollment in a class or section in grades 4-12, is 33 students.
3. School Choice applications will be available on the Grant Parish School Board website. Student transfers under the choice option must be submitted online by the established deadline.
4. Choice will be offered to students in an eligible Title I school until the school is no longer identified as Academically Unacceptable (AUS 1).
5. Students exercising the option to transfer to another public school may remain in that school until the student has completed the highest grade in the school or until the student's school of origin is no longer identified as academically unacceptable or in school improvement. However, transportation will not be provided after the end of the school year in which the student's school of origin is no longer identified for school improvement. Students will not be allowed to transfer to any school that is identified as Academically Unacceptable (AUS 1).
6. If there are no schools to which the student can transfer, parents will be notified that their child's school is identified as Academically Unacceptable (AUS 1) and that the child is eligible for choice although there are no choice options currently available.
7. The Director of Federal Programs or Elementary Supervisor will notify parents of the transfer once a decision has been determined.
8. Receiving schools will provide equal educational opportunities for all students eligible to transfer, including students with disabilities and English Language Learners.

9. Ineligibility:
- A. Enrollment: A student meeting any of the following will be ineligible to enroll as an Act 853 student:
 - a. The student was expelled for disciplinary reasons in the current or preceding school year;
 - b. The student was suspended more than once in the current or preceding school year;
 - c. The student was involved in more than one fight or other act of violence on school grounds or at a school sponsored event in the preceding school year;
 - d. The student was found in possession of any illicit drug or narcotic on school grounds in the current or preceding school year;
 - e. The student had more than 10 unexcused absences during the current or preceding school year.
 - B. Post Enrollment: A student shall be ineligible to continue enrollment as an Act 853 student if any of the following apply:
 - a. The student is suspended more than once during the school year;
 - b. The student is expelled for disciplinary reasons during the school year;
 - c. The student is involved in more than one fight or other act of violence on school grounds during the school year;
 - d. The student is found in possession of any illicit drug or narcotic on school grounds during the school year;
 - e. The student has more than 10 unexcused absences or excessive late check-ins or early check-outs during the school year.
10. All new enrollees to a receiving school that are currently zoned for a school in AUS1 are required to complete an application by the established deadline.

Official Policy: <http://www.gpsb.org/CAPS/GrantCAPS.htm>

Motion by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Riggs and unanimously approved updated Charter School Application.

Grant Parish School Board District Charter School Application Process for Schools Opening in the 2021-22 School Year or Beyond

Forms and Information Needed for Submission of a Type 1 or Type 3 Charter School Proposal

In compliance with R.S. 17:3982, the Grant Parish School Board is making public through our website, and in printed form upon request, the guidelines for submitting a charter proposal, all forms required for submission of a charter proposal, the timelines established for accepting and reviewing charter proposals, the process that will be used to review charter proposals submitted to the board, and the name and contact information for a primary point of contact for charter proposals.

I. Charter School Application

Applicants should complete the Common Charter School Application found [here](#).

II. Charter School Process Schedule

- January 19, 2021: Charter application released
- April 6, 2021: Applications due
Applicants should email the five required sets of documents to Paxton.Teddlie@gpsb.org.
- June 18, 2021: Last day for Grant Parish School Board to make decisions to approve or deny charter applications

III. Charter Application Review Process

All charter applications will be reviewed by an independent evaluator with educational, organizational, legal, and financial expertise. Applicants will have the opportunity to provide to the evaluator a written response to the independent evaluation of their charter application before the evaluator provides a final recommendation to Grant Parish School Board.

IV. Charter School Contact Information

Individuals or organizations with questions about the district's charter application process should contact:

Paxton Teddlie, Superintendent
Paxton.Teddlie@gpsb.org
318-627-3274

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

Emergency Shelter Agreement Disaster Assistance Plan between Grant Parish School Board and Central Control LLC.

**EMERGENCY SHELTER AGREEMENT
DISASTER ASSISTANCE PLAN**

This agreement is made and entered into as of this 23rd day of February 2021, by and between Grant Parish School Board and Central Control LLC hereinafter referred to as "Facility".

Witnesseth:

The Facility wishes to retain Grant Parish School Board to assist the Facility in the event of an emergency.

Whereas, Grant Parish School Board wishes to provide approximately 8,000 square feet gymnasium at the Grant Parish High School to the Facility in the event of an emergency to shelter residents from Camelot Community Care, Magnolia Estates, Camelot Brookside, Camelot of Broussard, Camelot Place, and Northridge Care Center.

Recitals:

1. The purpose of this plan is to provide the Facility with shelter in the event of a disaster.
2. Grant Parish School Board will provide the Facility with shelter within a reasonable time after notification from the Facility.
3. This agreement is in effect as of date defined above and will be in effect until either party gives sixty (60) days written notice to the other party.
4. Attachment A hereto describes the specifications of Grant Parish School for purposes necessary for shelter.

Grant Parish School Board

Central Control, LLC

By: Parson Teddlis
Superintendent
Its: _____

By: _____
Its: _____

**ATTACHMENT A
EMERGENCY SHELTER AGREEMENT
GRANT PARISH SCHOOL**

1. CONTACT PERSON AT SCHOOL Mr. Paxton Teddie
2. CAPACITY OF RESIDENTS/STAFF 200
3. SQUARE FOOTAGE OF SPACE 8,000
4. AGE OF SCHOOL 35 years
5. AIR CONDITIONING CAPABILITIES Yes

6. CURRENT PHYSICAL CONDITION OF SCHOOL Excellent

7. PROVISIONS FOR FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVICE Cafeteria Available
8. PROVISIONS FOR BATHING AND TOILETING seperate women's and men's bathrooms with toilets and showers.

Motion by Mr. Whitman, seconded by Mrs. Layton and unanimously approved the Emergency Evacuation Accommodations – Colfax Reunion Nursing and Rehabilitation of Colfax.



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EMERGENCY EVACUATION ACCOMMODATIONS AGREEMENT

Be it known this 2nd day of March, 2021 and in the event of a natural disaster or emergency, the members of the Grant Parish School Board unanimously approved a resolution granting unto the Colfax Reunion Nursing and Rehab of Colfax, Grant Parish, Louisiana, the permission to place the residents, patients, and staff of the Colfax Reunion Nursing & Rehab of Colfax within either or both the Colfax Elementary gymnasium, or the Grant Jr. High gymnasium. However, placement preference will be given to students and staff within both educational institutions in the event an evacuation need should arise involving students and staff.

The Grant Parish School Board will be indemnified by the Colfax Reunion Nursing & Rehab in the event a claim against same arises involving injury to a Colfax Reunion Nursing & Rehab resident, patient or staff member while occupying the said evacuation centers.

THUS DONE and passed this 2nd day of March, 2021, Colfax, Grant Parish, Louisiana.

Paxton Teddlie, Superintendent
Grant Parish School Board

Motion by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Whitman and unanimously approved the Board entering into executive session to receive and discuss a student concern pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17 (A)(7).

Motion by Mrs. Layton, seconded by Mr. Whitman and unanimously approved returning to regular session.

Item # XIV failed due to lack of motion. (Consider student concern pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17 (A)(7).)

The Superintendent discussed with the board members Personnel Report, Financial Report, Calendars, COVID numbers, Virtual Numbers, Student Count and LSBA 83rd Annual Convention - March 7th - 9th, 2021 @ Shreveport Convention Center.

Motion by Mr. Browning, seconded by Mr. Riggs 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