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Meeting of June 8, 2010

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

JUNE 8, 2010

**The Louisiana Purchase Room
Baton Rouge, LA**

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education met in special session on June 8, 2010, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 1:08 p.m. by Board President Keith Guice.

Board members present were Mr. Dale Bayard, Ms. Connie Bradford, Ms. Glenny Lee Buquet, Ms. Penny Dastugue, Mr. Jim Garvey, Ms. Louella Givens, Mr. Keith Guice, Ms. Linda Johnson, Mr. Walter Lee, and Mr. Chas Roemer.

Mr. John Bennett was absent.

Agenda Item 3 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board approved the agenda, as printed and disseminated, amending Agenda Item 4 as follows:

Reconsideration ~~Consideration~~ of the Minimum Foundation Program Formula for FY 2010-2011. (Schedule 1)

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Guice relinquished the Chair to Ms. Penny Dastugue, Chair of the Finance Committee.

Agenda Item 4 **Reconsideration of the Minimum Foundation Program Formula for FY 2010-2011**

Ms. Beth Scioneaux reviewed the amended MFP Resolution with Board members. She provided Board members with a draft of Page 5 of the amended Resolution, which contained additional revisions, and she reviewed those revisions with the Board. In addition, Ms. Scioneaux provided Board members with handouts entitled, "Comparison of Proposed FY 2010-2011 MFP Formula (Version 2) to FY 2009-2010 MFP Budget Letter" and "Proposed FY 2010-2011 MFP Budget Letter, No Growth Formula Simulation (Version 2), Table 1: State Level Comparison." Ms. Scioneaux stated that these handouts contained revisions and she reviewed the information contained in these handouts with the Board.

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Discussion followed.

Mr. Lee requested that the record reflect his objection to taking local dedicated taxes and moving those funds to the state level. He stated that is what is being done with Type 2 Charter Schools. Mr. Lee stated that he cannot support locally dedicated taxes being taken from the people who voted for those taxes.

Public comments regarding Agenda Item 4, "Reconsideration of the Minimum Foundation Program Formula for FY 2010-2011," were received from Dr. Gary Jones, Superintendent of the Rapides Parish School System and President of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents, and Mr. Steve Monaghan, President of the Louisiana Federation of Teachers.

Motion 4-1 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Resolution for FY 2010-2011, as amended and presented by the LDE, and authorized the LDE to make technical clerical adjustments, as needed.

Mr. Bayard and Ms. Givens were recorded as being opposed to the motion.
(Schedule 2)

Mr. Guice resumed the Chair.

Agenda Item 5 **Consideration of Federal/State grants and allocations (competitive and other)**

Ms. Rayne Martin and Mr. Jacob Landry answered Board member questions regarding 1003(g) School Improvement Grants.

Ms. Johnson requested the following information regarding the 1003(g) School Improvement Grants:

1. What are the requirements?
2. What kind of competition is it?
3. What kind of rubric will be used?
4. How is it evaluated?

Motion 5-1 On motion of Ms. Buquet, seconded by Ms. Dastugue, the Board deferred: "Consideration of Federal/State grants and allocations (competitive and other)." (Schedule 3)

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.