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*The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall provide leadership and create policies for education that expand opportunities for children, empower families and communities, and advance Louisiana in an increasingly competitive global market.*

**OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES**

**Meeting of August 14, 2013**

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION**

**AUGUST 14, 2013**

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

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education met in regular session on August 14, 2013, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Board President Chas Roemer and opened with a prayer by Mr. Ike Hobaugh, an attorney from Calcasieu Parish.

Board members present were Dr. Lottie Beebe, Ms. Holly Boffy, Ms. Connie Bradford, Mr. Jim Garvey, Mr. Jay Guillot, Ms. Carolyn Hill, Mr. Walter Lee, Dr. Judith Miranti, Ms. Kira Orange Jones, Mr. Chas Roemer, and Mr. Stephen Waguespack.

Ms. Arlene Hobaugh, Calcasieu Parish School System, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item 2. On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the agenda, as printed and disseminated. (Schedule 1)

Agenda Item 3. On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the minutes of June 19, 2013.

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Dr. Beebe requested that the agenda be amended to include a discussion on Common Core and InBloom.

Mr. Roemer stated that, per R.S. 42:19, unanimous approval of the members present is required to amend the agenda. Mr. Roemer indicated that there would be an opportunity for public comment on any such motion in accordance with R.S. 42:14.

Mr. Roemer asked for a motion to amend the agenda.

Ms. Boffy offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, to amend the agenda to include Agenda Item 7.4., "Consideration of a discussion on Common Core and InBloom."

There were no requests for public comment at this time.

Mr. Roemer asked for a Roll Call Vote on the motion to amend the agenda.

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On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board amended the agenda to include Agenda Item 7.4., "Consideration of a discussion on Common Core and InBloom."

A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yeas: Dr. Beebe, Ms. Boffy, Ms. Bradford, Mr. Guillot, Ms. Hill, Mr. Lee, Dr. Miranti, Mr. Waguespack, and Mr. Roemer.

Nays: None.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: Mr. Garvey and Ms. Orange Jones.

The motion passed.

Mr. Roemer indicated that this agenda item would be taken last on the agenda.

The Board returned to the regular agenda order.

Agenda **Report by the State Superintendent of Education**  
Item 4.

State Superintendent of Education White provided Board members with an update on the process of adopting new basic expectations for students in all grades in reading, writing, and mathematics.

At this point in the meeting, the Board agreed to take Agenda Item 7.2., "Consideration of a report regarding the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Educational Curriculum presented by Lieutenant Governor Jay Dardenne," out of order.

Lieutenant Governor Dardenne provided Board members with the following information:

- "Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Education Resource, Volume I, Waterways & Structures;"

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- “Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Education Resource, Volume II, Natural Resources Habitat and Environment;”
- “Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Education Resource, Volume III, History and Culture Regions and Parishes;”
- “Atchafalaya National Heritage Area, America’s Foreign Country;”
- and a DVD entitled, “Atchafalaya National Heritage Area, Louisiana Pick your Passion.”

The Lieutenant Governor also provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Agenda            On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received Item 7.2.            the report and endorsed the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Educational Curriculum presented by Lieutenant Governor Jay Dardenne.

On Point of Personal Privilege, Ms. Hill recognized the following East Baton Rouge Parish schools for increasing School Performance Scores and attaining Academically Acceptable status: Belaire High School, Glen Oaks High School, Broadmoor Middle School, Capitol Middle School, Park Forest Middle School, Capitol Elementary School, Howell Park Elementary School, Inspire Charter School, Melrose Elementary School, Merrydale Elementary School, Park Elementary School, and Winbourne Elementary School.

Ms. Hill also recognized Dr. Bernard Taylor, Superintendent of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System, and presented him with a Certificate of Achievement.

In addition, Ms. Hill recognized and thanked members of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board for their hard work and dedication and presented them with a Certificate of Appreciation.

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On Point of Personal Privilege, Dr. Beebe recognized Ms. Jacqueline Fett, a Breaux Bridge High School student, for completion of 27 Carnegie credits and her high school education program at age 16.

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On Point of Personal Privilege, Mr. Waguespack recognized Dr. Patrice Pujol, Superintendent of the Ascension Parish School System and President of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents.

The Board returned to the regular agenda order.

Agenda  
Item 5.

**Board Committee Reports**

Agenda  
Item 5.1.

**Academic Goals and Instructional Improvement Committee**

(Schedule 2)

5.1.1

On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board approved the request from the St. Charles Parish School System for a waiver of policy contained in Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*, Subpart 2. Regulations for Gifted/Talented Students: §2001. Pupil/Teacher, and Pupil Appraisal Ratios for Public Education, to continue the Academic Academy, a pilot program that provides blended classes of gifted and high-potential students in two elementary schools and two middle schools in an effort to address disproportionality issues in the gifted program. Participating schools will include R.K. Smith Middle School, Luling Elementary School, Cammon Middle School, and St. Rose Elementary School.

Further, this approval is subject to the following conditions:

- Criteria for admission to this pilot program should be clearly established. Class sizes should be limited to 8 per setting. Only ELA or math content will be taught to students.
- All high-potential students should be screened for gifted eligibility by the end of February 2014.
- Students will exit the program, if need be, at the end of the school year, rather than at mid-year.
- The St. Charles Parish School System must monitor each site that contains an Academic Academy/Gifted blended class to assure that policies and procedures are consistently followed. For future waivers to be approved, the percentage of minorities in the district's gifted programs must continue to increase.

5.1.2

On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board approved the request from the East Baton Rouge Parish School System for waiver of policy contained in Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*, Subpart 2. Regulations for Gifted/Talented Students: §2001. Pupil/Teacher, and Pupil Appraisal Ratios for Public Education, granted for the 2012-2013 school year, to be

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continued for the 2013-2014 school year, allowing students in East Baton Rouge Parish's Scholastic Academy for non-identified and gifted students to receive instruction in blended gifted classes and for students in grades 7-12 to be placed in blended classes, if the following conditions are met:

- Criteria for admission to the Scholastic Academy should continue to be clearly established and concentrated in the elementary grades (Pre-K-6). Above 6th grade, the only students who can be recommended for the Scholastic Academy are students who move into the parish from other districts, states, or countries or who transfer from private or parochial schools.
- After two years in the Scholastic Academy, those students who do not meet the state criteria for gifted must be placed in separate Scholastic Academy classes or in regular classrooms, rather than remaining in the blended classes for the remainder of their school careers. Students will exit the program, if need be, at the end of the school year, rather than at mid-term.
- The East Baton Rouge Parish School System must monitor each site that contains a Scholastic Academy/Gifted blended class for elementary, middle, and high school levels to assure that policies and procedures are consistently followed throughout the district. For future waivers to be approved, the percentages of minorities in the district's gifted programs must remain the same (due to the high success rate) or continue to increase.

5.1.3 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board amended the March 2010 DIBELS Next requirement that all public schools with a K-3 enrollment, or some variation thereof, administer the DIBELS Next reading assessment, to include a condition that DIBELS Next is required unless the LDE has approved an alternate reading assessment in lieu of DIBELS Next.

5.1.4 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board approved the revision of the Textbook Adoption Timeline, suspending the textbook adoption cycle until January 2015.

5.1.5 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board deferred until October 2013: "Consideration of annual approval of new alternative education schools."

5.1.6 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board deferred until October 2013: "Consideration of annual approval of new alternative education programs."

5.1.7 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*, Subpart 1. Regulations for Students with Disabilities: §543. Restrictions on the Use of Seclusion or Physical Restraint.

5.1.8 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §339. Emergency Planning and Procedures, §519. Teacher Bill of Rights, §705. Student Academic Records and Reports, §1113. Orientation for Parents of First Time Students, §1303. Bullying, §2305. Ancillary Areas of Instruction, §2313. Elementary Program of Studies, §2347. Health Education, and the repeal of §3319. Eligibility to Participate in High School Interscholastic Athletics, in response to recently enacted state legislation.

Further, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 135, *Health and Safety*: §301. Health Screening, in response to recently enacted state legislation.

5.1.9 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §2314. Carnegie Credit and Credit Flexibility and §2324. Credit Recovery, to reflect district feedback regarding Carnegie Credit policy.

Agenda Item 5.2. **Administration and Finance Committee** (Schedule 3)

5.2.1 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report on 8(g) monitoring visits conducted by Board staff.

5.2.2 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report on grants/allocations of \$1 million or less approved by the State Superintendent of Education, the Chair of the Administration and Finance Committee, and the BESE President.

5.2.3 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report on LDE contracts of \$50,000 and under approved by the State Superintendent of Education.

5.2.4 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report on RSD contracts of \$50,000 and under approved by the State Superintendent of Education.

- 5.2.5 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board ratified the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education FY 2015-2019 Strategic Plan submitted to the Division of Administration.
- 5.2.6 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the revised budget for 8(g) statewide program, New Schools Incubation (LDE) (S074), for FY 2013-2014.
- 5.2.7 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the proposed program and budget for the 8(g) statewide program, Academic/Vocational Enhancement of BESE Special Schools (LSD) (S036A), for FY 2013-2014.
- 5.2.8 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the proposed program and budget for the 8(g) statewide program, Academic/Vocational Enhancement of BESE Special Schools (LSVI) (S036B), for FY 2013-2014.
- 5.2.9 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the proposed program and budget for the 8(g) statewide program, Academic/Vocational Enhancement of BESE Special Schools (SEC) (S036C), for FY 2013-2014.
- 5.2.10 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the proposed program and budget for the 8(g) statewide program, Enhancement of the Louisiana Instructional Materials Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (LSVI) (S016A), for FY 2013-2014.
- 5.2.11 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report regarding the LDE Budget.

**School and District Support - Competitive**

- 5.2.12 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: High Risk Pool Grant  
Amount: \$3,813,513.00  
Funding Period: 09/01/2013 - 09/30/2014  
Source of Funds: Federal

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Purpose: High Risk Pool refers to IDEA State Set Aside funds made available to provide additional supports and services to LEAs serving students with high needs. The provision for states to implement High Risk Pools was introduced in response to concerns that costs for services for children with the most significant disabilities negatively impact the resources of districts and states, thus making it extremely difficult to provide individualized supports and services necessary for students to thrive in the education setting. These funds are available only to students who qualify for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Basis of Allocation: At a minimum, qualifying LEAs must demonstrate, through individual student documentation that services to students with high needs have exceeded three times the state per pupil expenditure and impacted that LEA's operating budget.

### **School and District Innovations - Competitive**

5.2.13 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation:	Believe and Succeed
Amount:	\$5,796,008.00
Funding Period:	07/01/2013 - 06/30/2014
Source of Funds:	Federal/IAT 8(g)

Purpose: These funds provide for the creation of new schools to serve students who currently attend D and F schools by:

1. Encouraging proven school operators to provide new, high quality educational options for students in low-performing schools, and
2. Providing for the training or planning period for high-potential school leaders who intend to lead a school focused on serving this student population.

Basis of Allocation: Funding will come from the federal 1003(a) and Race to the Top allocations and the 8(g) New Schools Incubation program. Recipients of funds submitted competitive Believe and Succeed grant proposals to the LDE, were evaluated through a rubric, and determined eligible to receive funds by a review committee.

**Student Centered Goals - Competitive**

5.2.14 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Louisiana Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy  
Amount: \$22,400,150.00  
Funding Period: 10/01/2013 - 9/30/2014  
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: The Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy achievement is for all students in feeder systems, birth-grade 12. Funds will be used to create sustainable systems that support implementation of Common Core State Standards and focus on:

1. School Leader and Teacher Learning Targets,
2. Assessment and Curriculum,
3. School and Teacher Collaboration, and
4. Compass Observation and Feedback.

Basis of Allocation: Allocations are based on a per-pupil allocation (\$150 for Cohort 1 and \$300 for Cohort 2) and a base allocation of \$275,000 for Cohort 1 districts; \$600,000 for Cohort 2; and \$450,000 for the district in both Cohort 1 and Cohort 2, as described in the state's grant, which was approved by the USDOE.

**Student Centered Goals - Other**

5.2.15 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Nonpublic School Early Childhood Development Program  
Amount: \$0.00  
Funding Period: 07/01/2013 - 06/30/14  
Source of Funds: State General Fund

Purpose: The purpose of the Nonpublic School Early Childhood Development (NSECD) Program is to collaborate with compliant nonpublic schools and Class "A" daycares in providing high-quality

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developmentally appropriate preschool instruction and services to four-year-old children of TANF-eligible families. The NSECD Program provides six hours per day of pre-kindergarten instruction and four hours of before- and after-school enrichment activities. The program is offered at no cost to those children whose families fall at 185% or less of the Federal Poverty Level.

Basis of Allocation: All BESE/Brumfield-Dodd approved nonpublic schools and licensed accredited Class "A" daycare centers with a QRS rating of three stars and above are eligible to submit an application for funding. Money is awarded on a per-pupil basis at \$5,600 per child per year. Actual reimbursement is based on students maintaining 74% monthly attendance. Award amounts are based on the reported October 2012 student participation for each of the participating schools.

This reallocation is the result of one school electing to not participate in the NSECD program.

5.2.16 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation:	Louisiana Renaissance Language Immersion Program – 8(g)
Amount:	\$130,000.00
Funding Period:	08/01/2013 - 06/30/2014
Source of Funds:	IAT – 8(g)

Purpose: Renaissance Language Immersion Program proposes assistance for schools to improve literacy and to prepare students for higher education and the global marketplace through a world language immersion program. Because of the cultural and economic impact of romance languages in Louisiana, assistance is offered to support creation and enhancement of French immersion programs as a priority, though other language programs are eligible for support.

Basis of Allocation: For SY 2013-2014, award winners continue allocations that were computed based on a score above 78 out of a 100-point rubric established by the LDE.

**District Support - Other**

- 5.2.17 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Louisiana Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy  
Amount: \$91,180.00  
Funding Period: 06/25/2013 - 08/28/2014  
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: The Louisiana Department of Education (LDE) has identified collaboration as one of four core focus areas for the 2013-2014 school year. To support this work, the LDE has partnered with DuFours to provide a two-day (August 27-28) Professional Learning Communities (PLC) Institute in New Orleans for districts and charters to build and improve collaborative structures. LDE SRCL administration funds will support the registration fees for districts that do not have SRCL grants. Districts with SRCL grants will use their SRCL funds to participate.

Basis of Allocation: Funds are allotted as follows to LEAs that do not have SRCL grants: LEAs (non-charter) will be reimbursed for registration fees for three persons; multiple-site charter organizations will be reimbursed for registration fees for two persons; and single-site charter operators will be reimbursed the registration fee for one person to attend the PLC Institute.

**District Support – Other**

- 5.2.18 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Early Childhood Community Network Pilot  
Technology Support  
Amount: \$145,000.00  
Funding Period: 07/01/2013 - 06/30/2014  
Source of Funds: Federal

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Purpose: Technology support is provided to community network pilots in order to field test the data systems associated with the CLASS and Teaching Strategies Gold assessments and enhance the local technology infrastructure to support and encourage the understanding and implementation of the standards, instruction, and assessment model.

Basis of Allocation: All community network pilots are receiving technology support through this allocation. Amounts were based on distribution of classrooms and teachers within each pilot network.

- 5.2.19 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: FHF at the Crossroads  
Contract Period: 7/1/2013 - 6/30/2014  
Contract Amount: \$64,500  
Fund: Federal, IDEA  
Competitive Process: Sole Source

Description of Service: Provide students with disabilities the opportunity to participate and compete in sports and fitness activities.

- 5.2.20 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Ciber, Inc.  
Contract Period: 09/01/2013 - 06/30/2016  
Contract Amount: \$1,080,000.00  
Fund: Federal, CNP  
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: Vendor will maintain an existing software application/database including development, configuration, problem resolution, programming, analytical, and other support services at the Louisiana Department of Education's (LDE) discretion for planned and unplanned tasks/projects required to support Office of Student Support, Division of Nutrition Support, database systems and its related components.

5.2.21 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: University of Louisiana at Lafayette  
Contract Period: 9/1/2013 - 6/30/2014  
Contract Amount: \$315,000  
Fund: IAT-8(g), Federal, SPED 619 (Leadership), IAT from DCFS (CCDF)  
Competitive Process: Non-Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide 3rd party CLASS reliable observers to conduct CLASS observations and report CLASS data on statewide and parish level to the state.

5.2.22 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Napa County Office of Education  
Contract Period: 10/1/2011 - 9/30/2014  
Previous Amount: \$300,000.00  
Amended Amount: \$135,987.00  
Contract Amount: \$435,987.00 (\$1,700 per teacher)  
Fund: Federal, IDEA Part B 619 Preschool Funds  
Competitive Process: Sole Source

Description of Service: According to Indicator 6 on Louisiana's Annual Performance Report (APR) that is sent to the federal government each year, local school districts must increase the number of children with disabilities receiving general education and services in settings with typically developing preschool peers. The purpose of this contract is to help districts identify ways that they can serve their three- to five-year-old children with disabilities in more inclusive settings with their regular preschool peers. The Lafayette Parish School System will become an Inclusion Model in the state. In order to continue to help Lafayette Parish, the contractors will: 1). Develop an early childhood inclusion work plan in collaboration with the Louisiana Department of Education State Part B 619 Coordinator and the Lafayette Parish Early Childhood Director; 2). Provide staff mentoring, training, follow-up support, and consultation to implement Lafayette Parish action plans for inclusive preschool services; 3). Conduct quarterly site visits and regularly scheduled conference calls

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with the Lafayette Preschool Inclusion Team to coach and support the effective implementation of the Inclusion action plans; 4). Monitor and document the progress of Lafayette Parish to implement inclusion restructuring and report progress to the state; 5). The contractor will submit monthly progress reports addressing the status of activities and deliverables described in the work plan, including meeting minutes and sign-in sheets; 6). At the end of the contract, the contractor will submit to the state a Final Project Report that summarizes all project activities and outcomes for inclusive early childhood services. Deliverables: A. Annual Work Plan that includes Contract Activities, Deliverables, and Timelines; B. Monthly Contract Progress Reports that include minutes of conference/meetings with Lafayette Parish staff, sign-in sheets, and status of projects covered by the Contract; C. Mentoring, training, follow-up support, and consultation to implement action plans for inclusive preschool services; D. Agendas and sign-in sheets from trainings and professional development conducted in the school districts; and E. Final Project Report.

5.2.23 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report on the Special School District (SSD) budget.

5.2.24 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the FY 2013-2014 budget for the Recovery School District.

5.2.25 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor:	AMIkids Baton Rouge
Contract Period:	8/1/2013 - 6/30/2014
Contract Amount:	\$125,000.00
Fund:	State - MFP
Competitive Process:	Non-Competitive – Educational and Social Service Provider

Description of Service: In this setting, expelled students can receive specialized educational services providing one-on-one attention, remedial learning, mentoring, and support that they cannot get in a traditional school.

5.2.26 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Arise Academy  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$338,552.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.27 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Broadmoor Charter School Board  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$247,320.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.28 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Children's World, LLC  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$82,440.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: Contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.29 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Clara's Little Lambs Preschool Academy, Inc.  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$164,880.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.30 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Community Leaders Advocating Student Success, Inc.  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$164,880.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.31 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Firstline Schools, Inc.  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$247,320.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.32 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Crescent City Schools dba Paul Habans Charter School  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$247,320.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: Contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.33 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Health Care Centers in Schools  
Contract Period: 8/1/2013 - 6/30/2014  
Contract Amount: \$156,060.00  
Fund: State - MFP  
Competitive Process: Non-Competitive Professional Service

Description of Service: The RSD must have a registered nurse on contract to provide standard medical and health services.

5.2.34 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Health Care Centers in Schools  
Contract Period: 8/1/2013 - 6/30/2014  
Contract Amount: \$182,070.00  
Fund: State - MFP  
Competitive Process: Non-Competitive Professional Service

Description of Service: The contract provides for social workers at RSD direct-run schools located in East Baton Rouge Parish. Social workers on-site will help students with social, economic, and emotional issues.

5.2.35 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Leading Educators, Inc.  
Contract Period: 7/1/2013 - 6/30/2014  
Contract Amount: \$97,500.00  
Fund: State - MFP  
Competitive Process: Non-Competitive Professional Service/  
Educational Program Specialist

Description of Service: After an application process, teachers will be inducted into the Leading Educators' Fellowship Program. The program will provide professional development, individualized intensive support, school improvement initiatives, and site visits geared towards Instructional Leadership, Cultural Leadership, and Management of Self and Others.

5.2.36 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Lycee Francais de la Nouvelle Orleans  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$82,440.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.37 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Morris Jeff Community School  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$164,880.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.38 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: ReNEW – Reinventing Education  
Contract Period: 08/01/13 - 05/31/14  
Contract Amount: \$338,552.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.39 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the following RSD contract:

Contractor: McMillian’s First Steps Community Development Corporation  
Contract Period: 08/01/2013 - 05/31/2014  
Contract Amount: \$41,220.00  
Fund: State - Cecil J. Picard LA4  
Competitive Process: Competitive RFP/Social Service

Description of Service: The contractor will provide care and educational service to 4-year-olds in a child-centered program directed toward the development of cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, math, and motor skills.

5.2.40A On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board authorized:

- The incorporation of the “New Orleans East School Facility Public Benefit Corporation” (the “PBC”) as a Louisiana nonprofit public benefit corporation of which the RSD will be the sole member.
- The RSD shall be the sole member of the PBC and the Superintendent be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered in the name and on behalf of the RSD, as the sole member of the PBC, to adopt such Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for the PBC as the Superintendent deems appropriate in his sole discretion.

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- The Superintendent be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered in the name and on behalf of the RSD, as the sole member of the PBC, to appoint the Board Members as the initial directors of the PBC, as follows: the President of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education Member representing the 3rd BESE District; the Superintendent of the Recovery School District; and the State Superintendent of Education (collectively, the "Board Members") shall be the initial directors.
- The RSD will transfer certain insurance proceeds and Community Development Block Grant funds to the PBC that may be used by the PBC to purchase and renovate that certain immovable and movable property located at 6767 Bundy Road in New Orleans, Louisiana, (the "Property") for use as a public school facility.
- The Property will be leased to a school operator, who shall operate the Property as a school facility, and which may be transferred to the Orleans Parish School Board for continued operation.
- The Superintendent be, and hereby is, authorized, directed, and empowered to take all further actions and execute and deliver all further agreements, instruments, certificates, and documents, which may be necessary to create and establish the PBC, fund the PBC, and carry out the PBC's purposes, including but not limited to the acquisition and development of the Property and leasing of the school facilities developed thereon, transfer of the Property and school facility to the Orleans Parish School Board, and in order to fully carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of the foregoing resolutions and each of them, which actions shall be carried out in the name and on behalf of the RSD, as an act of the RSD.
- Any instrument or other document executed pursuant to these resolutions shall contain such terms, conditions, stipulations, and provisions as the Superintendent executing such instrument or document shall deem proper to incorporate.
- Any and all actions heretofore taken on behalf of the RSD by, or as directed by, the Superintendent in relation to the creation and establishment of the PBC or any other related instruments and agreements are hereby confirmed, ratified, and approved as the acts and deeds of the RSD in all respects.

5.2.40B On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board directed the Recovery School District to appear before the East New Orleans Neighborhood Advisory Commission before the formation of any final policy, decision, or guidelines with respect to architectural plans and designs for the Bundy Road Facility.

- 5.2.41 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report on the BESE budget.
- 5.2.42 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the report in response to House Concurrent Resolution 153 of the 2013 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature relative to the implementation of the Louisiana Course Choice Program and directed said report to the appropriate legislative committee(s).
- 5.2.43 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the report on the implementation of new laws and resolutions passed during the 2013 Regular Session.
- 5.2.44 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board amended the Administration and Finance Committee agenda standing item: "Consideration of a Legislative Action Plan (August and as needed)" to "Consideration of a legislative update (August)."
- 5.2.45 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board:
- a. approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to the *Louisiana Administrative Code*, Title 28, Part I. Board of Elementary and Secondary Education: §305. Election of Officers and Their Duties; §307. General Powers and Duties; §309. State Superintendent; §311. The Special School District; §313. The Recovery School District; §315. Board Staff; §501. Committees; §503. Advisory Councils; §701. Public Meeting Notice; §703. Regular and Special Meeting Schedules; §705. Agenda; §709. Board and Committee Meeting Protocol; §713. Public Comments; §715. Executive Session; §719. Minutes; §901. Equal Employment Opportunity; Affirmative Action; §903. Civil Rights Compliance and Assurances; §1101. Projects and Facilities; §1103. Purchasing, Auditing, and Contracts for Professional Services; §1105. Budgets; §1107. Minimum Foundation Program; §1109. Expenditure of Public Education Monies; and §1303. Rulemaking;
  - b. authorized BESE staff to make technical revisions, as necessary; and
  - c. amend §713.A.6. to read:  
  
“Submission of comment cards at least five (5) minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting is encouraged.”

5.2.46 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board added Mr. Jim Melohn of the Louisiana Association of School Business Officials to the MFP Task Force membership as a non-voting member.

5.2.47 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board appointed Ms. Ashley McReynolds (LaTEACH) to serve as an alternate on the MFP Task Force in the absence of Ms. Rana Ottalah (Public School Parent).

5.2.48 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board approved the MFP Task Force membership nominees and meeting process.

5.2.49 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received the draft Minimum Foundation Task Force schedule and topics.

Agenda Item 5.3. **8(g) Public Hearing** (Schedule 4)

On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received the minutes of the 8(g) Public Hearing held on August 13, 2013.

Agenda Item 5.4. **Educator Effectiveness Committee** (Schedule 5)

5.4.1 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board deferred until October 2013: "Consideration of a report regarding Certification Appeals."

5.4.2 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved, for certification purposes, the following program, as recommended by the LDE:

McNeese State University: Certification-Only Alternate Program in Secondary (Grades 6-12) Chinese.

5.4.3 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the recommendation of the Louisiana Unit Accreditation Board and granted continued state approval of the teacher education unit at Louisiana State University (LSU), with a commendation for meeting all standards with no areas for improvement cited.

- 5.4.4 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received the report regarding certificated staff.
- 5.4.5 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board deleted Agenda Item 5.1., "Consideration of revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*, regarding Praxis exams," from the Educator Effectiveness Committee agenda.
- 5.4.6 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board recognized Dr. Amy Weems for her service as the Teacher of the Year on the BESE Educator Effectiveness Committee for the 2012-2013 school year and received the report regarding Ms. La'Keisha McKinney, who will serve as the 2013-2014 Teacher of the Year for the BESE Educator Effectiveness Committee.
- 5.4.7 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board revoked the Louisiana Type B teaching certificate, #062973, issued to Ms. Paula Campesi, due to a felony conviction.
- 5.4.8 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board granted the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to the credentials of Mr. Roddy Chiasson.

Agenda Item 5.5. **School Innovation and Turnaround Committee** (Schedule 6)

- 5.5.1 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board deleted Agenda Item 2.1., "Consideration of the Type 2 Charter Application in response to the 2012 Request for Charter School Applications for Harvest Preparatory Academy, submitted by Outreach Community Development Corporation, Inc., to allow LDE reconsideration of the application (deferred in June 2013 per Board action)," from the School Innovation and Turnaround Committee agenda.
- 5.5.2 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Constellation Schools of Louisiana, Inc., to commence operation of a Type 2 charter school in a "D" or "F" district, for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

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- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.3 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Education Explosion, Inc., to commence operation of a Type 2 charter school in the City of Baker, for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.4 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Learning Solutions, Inc., to commence operation of a Type 2 charter school in the City of Monroe, for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.5 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Louisiana Achievement Charter Academies, Inc., to commence operation of a Type 2 charter school in a "D" or "F" district in the Baton Rouge area, for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.6 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize South Louisiana Charter Foundation, Inc., to commence operation of up to two Type 2 charter schools in "D" or "F" districts in the Baton Rouge area, as early as the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.7 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board denied the Type 2 charter school applications submitted by the following organizations, as recommended by the LDE:

- Greater Grace Charter Academies and
- House of Peace Corporation.

5.5.8 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Baton Rouge University Preparatory Charter School, Inc., to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in East Baton Rouge Parish, for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD, not later than January 2014 — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred until 2015-2016 or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.9 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Celerity Schools Louisiana, Inc., to commence operation of up to three Type 5 charter schools in East Baton Rouge and/or Orleans Parishes, for the 2014-2015 school year, and up to seven Type 5 charter schools in Caddo, East Baton Rouge, and/or Orleans Parishes in subsequent years pursuant to the LDE's operator selection process and subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.10 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Collegiate Academies to commence operation of up to two Type 5 charter schools in the Recovery School District, for the 2014-2015 school year, and up to five Type 5 charter schools in the Recovery School District in subsequent years pursuant to the LDE's operator selection process and subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.11 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Democracy Prep Louisiana to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in East Baton Rouge Parish, for the 2015-2016 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year.

5.5.12 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize FirstLine Schools, Inc., to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in Orleans Parish, for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD, not later than January 2014 — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred until 2015-2016 or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.13 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Friends of King School to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in East Baton Rouge or Orleans Parish, for the 2014-2015 school year, and up to two Type 5 charter schools in East Baton Rouge and/or Orleans Parishes pursuant to the LDE's operator selection process subject to all of the following conditions being met:

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- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.14 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Friendship Louisiana, Inc., to commence operation of up to four Type 5 charter schools in Caddo and/or East Baton Rouge Parishes, for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD, not later than January 2014 — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred until 2015-2016 or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.15 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Family Urban Schools of Excellence LA to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in East Baton Rouge Parish, for the 2014-2015 school year, and up to four Type 5 charter schools in East Baton Rouge Parish pursuant to the LDE's operator selection process and subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;

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- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.16 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Green Dot to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in East Baton Rouge Parish, for the 2015-2016 school year, and up to five Type 5 charter schools in East Baton Rouge and/or Orleans Parishes in subsequent years pursuant to the LDE's operator selection process and subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.17 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize KIPP New Orleans Schools to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in Orleans Parish, for the 2015-2016 school year, and up to seven Type 5 charter schools in East Baton Rouge and/or Orleans Parishes in subsequent years pursuant to the LDE's operator selection process subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.18 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize Spirit of Excellence Learning Academy, Inc., to commence operation of a Type 5 charter school in East Baton Rouge Parish for the 2014-2015 school year, subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD, not later than January 2014 — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred until 2015-2016 or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

5.5.19 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the LDE recommendation to authorize YES Preparatory Public Schools, Inc., to commence operation of up to two Type 5 charter schools in Orleans and/or East Baton Rouge Parishes as early as the 2014-2015 school year and up to four Type 5 charter schools in East Baton Rouge and/or Orleans Parishes pursuant to the LDE's operator selection process and subject to all of the following conditions being met:

- Completion of a pre-opening checklist;
- Assignment of an existing RSD-operated school by the Superintendent of the RSD — if an assignment is not made, the authority to open the school may be deferred or may be rescinded, based on a recommendation by the Superintendent of the RSD;
- Addressing any special considerations set forth in the recommendation; and
- Execution of the charter contract prior to the beginning of the opening school year.

5.5.20 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received an update on RSD Capital Projects from April 2013 including: RSD-OPSB Phase 1 Monthly Summary for June 2013; RSD-OPSB Phase 2 Monthly Summary for June 2013; Superintendents' Report for June 2013; BESE/RSD Open Contracts as of July 8, 2013; OPSB Open Contracts as of July 8, 2013; and the Bid Tabulation Sheet for June 2013.

- 5.5.21 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board deleted Agenda Item 3.1., "Consideration of an update report on RSD Capital Projects," from the School Innovation and Turnaround Committee and added this item to the Administration and Finance Committee agenda.
- 5.5.22 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received the update report regarding the approved St. Landry Reconstitution Plan for Creswell Elementary School.
- 5.5.23 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 129, *The Recovery School District*. §502. Parent Petitions, and §505. Return of Schools to LEA, to implement legislation from the 2013 Regular Legislative Session related to the Recovery School District.
- 5.5.24 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 126, *Charter Schools*: §107. Types of Charter Schools; §301. Charter School Authorizers; §519. Local School Board Consideration of Charter Application, Awarding of Charters; §523. Charter School Replication; §2301. State Funding; §2303. Federal Funding; §2503. Budgeting; §2509. Assets; and §2709. Enrollment of Students, Lottery, and Waitlist; to implement legislation from the 2013 Regular Legislative Session related to the Recovery School District.

Agenda  
Item 6.

**Board Advisory Council Reports**

Agenda  
Item 6.1.

**8(g) Advisory Council**

On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received the minutes of the 8(g) Advisory Council meeting held July 2, 2013, and approved the tentative agenda for September 24, 2013.

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**Items for Consideration**

Agenda  
Item 7.1.

On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the new faculty, course offerings, and textbooks (FY 2013-2014) for the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts.

Agenda Item 7.3. On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Beebe, the Board went into Executive Session at 10:09 a.m. to discuss litigation concerning St. John the Baptist Parish School Board v. State of Louisiana, et al., 19th Judicial District Court, Docket No. C622693, Section 24.

A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yeas: Dr. Beebe, Ms. Boffy, Ms. Bradford, Mr. Garvey, Mr. Guillot, Ms. Hill, Mr. Lee, Dr. Miranti, Ms. Orange Jones, Mr. Waguespack, and Mr. Roemer.

Nays: None.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: None.

The Roll Call Vote on the motion to go into Executive Session passed. It was noted that no votes would be taken while the Board was in Executive Session; all votes would be made in public.

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On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Mr. Waguespack, the Board reconvened into Regular Session at 10:23 a.m. A quorum was present.

Agenda Item 7.3. No further action was taken regarding Agenda Item 7.3., "Consideration of Executive Session relative to litigation concerning St. John the Baptist Parish School Board v. State of Louisiana, et al., 19th Judicial District Court, Docket No. C622693, Section 24."

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Public comments were received on the following agenda item:

Agenda Item 7.4., "Consideration of a discussion on Common Core and InBloom."

**Support:** None.  
**Oppose:** None.

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**Other:** Dr. Patrice Pujol, Superintendent of the Ascension Parish School System; Mr. Michael Faulk, Superintendent of Central Community School System; Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association; Dr. Elizabeth Meyers, concerned citizen; Mr. Keith Chatelain, Greater New Orleans Tea Party; Mr. Wayne Free, Louisiana Association of Educators; and Ms. Kathryn Goppelt, concerned citizen.

Agenda            On motion of Ms. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received  
Item 7.4.           the report on Common Core and InBloom.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.