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OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

Meeting of May 12, 2014

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

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**The Thomas Jefferson Rooms A and B
Baton Rouge, LA**

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education met in special session on May 12, 2014, in the Thomas Jefferson Rooms A and B, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 1:41 p.m. by Board President Chas Roemer.

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, Ms. Kira Orange Jones, Mr. Chas Roemer, and Ms. Jane Smith.

Dr. Judith Miranti was absent.

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

Agenda Item 3. **Items for Consideration**

Agenda Item 3.1. The LDE provided Board members with handouts entitled, "Substantive Amendments to the FY 2014-2015 Minimum Foundation Program Formula," and "Dollars Restored with Proposed Amendments to SCR 55." State Superintendent of Education John White reviewed the information contained in the handouts with the Board and responded to questions from Board members.

Public comments were received on the following agenda item:

Agenda Item 3.1., "Consideration of amendments to the FY 2014-2015 Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) formula approved by BESE March 13, 2014."

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Support: Mr. Dannie Garrett, Louisiana School Boards Association; Dr. Patrice Pujol, Louisiana Association of School Superintendents; and Mr. Michael Faulk, Louisiana Association of School Superintendents.

Oppose: None.

Information Only/Other: Mr. Shawn Fleming, Louisiana Developmental Disabilities Council; Ms. Deborah Meaux, Louisiana Association of Educators; Mr. Steve Monaghan, Louisiana Federation of Teachers; and Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association.

- 3.1.1 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board:
- a. amended the FY 2014-2015 Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) formula approved by BESE March 13, 2014, as presented by the LDE;
 - b. authorized the LDE to make technical edits and adjustments to the formula, as needed;
 - c. authorized the LDE to adjust the estimated cost based on amendments adopted; and
 - d. authorized the LDE to submit the formula and simulation of cost to the Legislature.

Ms. Orange Jones was recorded as being opposed to the motion.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:24 p.m.