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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 June 17, 2015

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

JUNE 17, 2015

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

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education met in regular session on June 17, 2015, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Board President Chas Roemer, and opened with a prayer by Mr. Bill Brent, Northwestern State University.

Board members present were Dr. Lottie Beebe, Dr. Holly Boffy, Ms. Connie Bradford, Mr. Jim Garvey, Mr. Jay Guillot, Ms. Mary Harris, Dr. Judith Miranti, Ms. Kira Orange Jones, Mr. Chas Roemer, and Ms. Jane Smith.

Ms. Carolyn Hill was absent.

Ms. Trasima Richard, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Point of Personal Privilege, Dr. Beebe recognized Ms. Trasima Richard, a doctoral student at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

On Point of Personal Privilege, Dr. Boffy congratulated Ms. Kira Orange Jones, who was chosen as one of Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People for her work and leadership in New Orleans.

Agenda Item 2. On motion of Dr. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board approved the agenda, as printed and disseminated. (Schedule 1)

Agenda Item 3. On motion of Dr. Boffy, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the minutes of April 15, 2015.

Agenda
Item 4.

Consideration of Executive Session regarding the annual evaluation of the State Superintendent of Education

On motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board went into Executive Session at 10:13 a.m. to discuss the annual evaluation of the State Superintendent of Education.

A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yeas: Dr. Beebe, Dr. Boffy, Ms. Bradford, Mr. Garvey, Mr. Guillot, Ms. Harris, Dr. Miranti, Ms. Orange Jones, Ms. Smith, and Mr. Roemer.

Nays: None.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: Ms. Hill.

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 Dr. Boffy, the Board reconvened into Regular Session at 10:34 a.m. A quorum was present.

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On motion of Dr. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board announced that State Superintendent of Education John White received a favorable evaluation.

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The Board directed the BESE Executive Director to facilitate the establishment of a work group to meet no later than the end of August 2015 to consider modification of the evaluation framework and rating scale for the rubric for the 2016 annual evaluation of the Louisiana State Superintendent of Education.

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Item 5.

Report by the State Superintendent of Education

State Superintendent of Education John White announced that Superintendent Hollis Milton, West Feliciana Parish School System, and Superintendent Brian LeJeune, Jefferson Davis Parish School System, are the incoming President and Vice-President of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents, respectively.

State Superintendent of Education White stated that, at the beginning of this term, the Board and LDE focused on five things:

1. Every family has a quality choice and that the focus would be on low-achieving schools for the Recovery School District.
2. Standards and expectations were set high.
3. A system of pathways to the postsecondary environment was created.
4. A unified early childhood system was created.
5. Each classroom would have a quality teacher.

By and large, all of those things have been generally achieved, but there is more to do.

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Board Committee Reports

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Item 6.1.

Academic Goals and Instructional Improvement Committee

(Schedule 2)

6.1.1

On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the following nonpublic school classifications for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Diocese of Baton Rouge Special Education Program - East Baton Rouge: Accredited Approved,
- Career Innovations of America - East Baton Rouge: Non-Accredited Approved,
- Laboratory School for Leadership and Learning - East Baton Rouge: Non-Accredited Approved,
- Trinity High School - Rapides: Non-Accredited Approved,

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- Weatherford Academy - Jefferson: Non-Accredited Approved,
- Crescent City Montessori School - Orleans: Louisiana Montessori Accredited Approved, and
- Montessori School for Shreveport - Caddo: Louisiana Montessori Provisionally Accredited Approved.

6.1.2 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board granted Brumfield vs. Dodd approval for the following schools:

- Career Innovations of America - East Baton Rouge,
- Church Academy - Ascension,
- Diocese of Baton Rouge Special Education Program - East Baton Rouge, and
- Laboratory School for Leadership and Learning - East Baton Rouge.

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The LDE provided Board members with a handout containing proposed revisions to Bulletin 140, *Louisiana Early Childhood Care and Education Network*: §509. Performance Rating Calculations for Publicly-Funded Sites; §703. Coordinated Enrollment Process; §705. Implementation Timeline; and §709. Community Network Request for Funding for Publicly-Funded Programs. State Superintendent of Education White reviewed this information with the Board.

Public comments were received from Ms. Melanie Bronfin, Policy Institute For Children; and Mr. Shane Riddle, Louisiana Association of Educators.

6.1.3 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, the establishment of Bulletin 140, *Louisiana Early Childhood Care and Education Network*: §101. Purpose; §103. Definitions; §301. Early Childhood Care and Education Network; §303. BESE’s Duties and Responsibilities; §305. Kindergarten Readiness Definition; §307. Publicly-Funded Early Childhood Care and Education Programs and Community Networks; §309. Community Network Lead Agency; §311. Complaints; §313. Academic Approval for Type III Early Learning Centers; §501. Early Childhood Care and Education Accountability System (Accountability System); §503. Coordinated Observation Plan and Observation Requirements; §505. Performance

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Profiles; §507. Performance Profile Implementation Timeline; §511. Performance Rating Calculations for Community Networks; §513. Informational Metrics of Best Practices; §515. Reporting for the Accountability System; §517. Data Verification; §519. Waivers of Accountability System Requirements; §521. Performance Profile Appeals Procedure; §523. Disaster Consideration for Programs and Community Networks; §701. Age Cohorts; §707. Demonstrated Progress Toward Implementation; §711. Local Enrollment Coordinator; and §713. Request for Departmental Review, as recommended by the LDE.

In addition, the Board approved as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 140, *Louisiana Early Childhood Care and Education Network*: §509. Performance Rating Calculations for Publicly-Funded Sites; §703. Coordinated Enrollment Process; §705. Implementation Timeline; and §709. Community Network Request for Funding for Publicly-Funded Programs; as amended and recommended by the LDE.

Further, the Board approved the recommendation of the LDE requesting the BESE President to issue a Declaration of Emergency in June 2015, effective from July 1, 2015, until the policy is adopted as a Rule, to prevent any lapse of regulations during the transfer of lead agency authority from the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to LDE on July 1, 2015.

- 6.1.4 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the following lead agencies for the Early Childhood Community Networks for the 2015-2016 academic year:

Community Network – Recommended Lead Agency

Acadia - Acadia Parish School System,
Allen - Allen Parish School System,
Ascension - Ascension Parish School System,
Assumption - Assumption Parish School System,
Avoyelles - Avoyelles Parish School System,
Beauregard - Beauregard Parish School System,
Bienville - Bienville Parish School System,
Bogalusa - Bogalusa City School System,
Bossier - Bossier Parish School System,
Caddo - Caddo Parish School System,

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Calcasieu - Calcasieu Parish School System,
Caldwell - Caldwell Parish School System,
Cameron - Cameron Parish School System,
Catahoula/Tensas - Catahoula Parish School System,
Central - Volunteers of America Greater Baton Rouge,
Concordia - Concordia Parish School System,
DeSoto - DeSoto Parish School System,
East Baton Rouge - East Baton Rouge Parish School System,
East Carroll - East Carroll Parish School District,
Evangeline - Evangeline Parish School System,
Franklin - Franklin Parish School System,
Grant - Grant Parish School System,
Iberia - Iberia Parish School System,
Iberville - Iberville Parish School System,
Jackson - Jackson Parish School System,
Jefferson Davis - Jefferson Davis Parish School System,
Jefferson - Jefferson Parish School System,
Lafayette - Lafayette Parish School System,
Lafourche - Lafourche Parish School System,
LaSalle - LaSalle Parish School System,
Lincoln - Lincoln Parish School System,
Livingston - Livingston Parish School System,
Madison - Delta Community Action Association Head Start Program,
Morehouse - The Children's Coalition of Northeast Louisiana,
Natchitoches - Natchitoches Parish School System,
Orleans - Agenda for Children,
Ouachita - The Children's Coalition of Northeast Louisiana,
Plaquemines - Plaquemines Parish School System,
Pointe Coupee - Pointe Coupee Parish School System,
Rapides - Rapides Parish School System,
Red River - Red River Parish School System,
Richland - The Children's Coalition of Northeast Louisiana,
Sabine - Sabine Parish School System,
St. Bernard - St. Bernard Parish School System,
St. Charles - St. Charles Parish Public Schools,
St. Helena/E. Feliciana - St. Helena Parish School System,
St. James - St. James Parish School System,
St. John the Baptist - St. John the Baptist Parish School System,
St. Landry - St. Landry Parish School System,
St. Martin - St. Martin Parish School System,
St. Mary - St. Mary Community Action Agency Head Start Program,

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St. Tammany - St. Tammany Parish School System,
Tangipahoa - Tangipahoa Parish School System,
Terrebonne - Terrebonne Parish School System,
Union - Union Parish School System,
Vermilion - Vermilion Parish School System,
Vernon - Vernon Parish School System,
Washington - Washington Parish School System,
Webster/Claiborne - Webster Parish School System,
West Baton Rouge - West Baton Rouge Parish School System,
West Carroll - West Carroll Parish School System,
West Feliciana - West Feliciana Parish School System,
Winn - Winn Parish School System, and
Zachary - Zachary Community School System.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

- 6.1.5 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board received the report on the Early Childhood Professional Development Framework and an Early Childhood Funding Update.
- 6.1.6 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board received the minutes of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council meeting held on May 27, 2015.
- 6.1.7 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 139, *Louisiana Child Care and Development Fund Programs*: §101. Authority; §103. Definitions; §301. Certification of Child Care Provider's Eligibility for Participation in CCAP; §303. Types of Child Care Providers that May Apply for Certification; §305. General Certification Requirements for All Child Care Providers; §307. Specific Certification Requirements for Type III Early Learning Centers; §309. Specific Certification and Registration Requirements for Family Child Care Providers; §311. Specific Certification Requirements for In-Home Child Care Providers; §313. Specific Certification Requirements for Public School and BESE-approved Nonpublic School Child Care Centers; §315. Specific Certification Requirements for Military Child Care Centers; §317. Individuals and Entities Categorically Ineligible for Certification as CCAP Providers; §319. Caregiver's Ineligibility for CCAP Payments; §321. Revocation or Refusal of Renewal of Certification and Ineligibility Periods for Providers; §501. Certification of Household Eligibility for

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Participating in CCAP; §503. Categorically Eligible CCAP Households; §505. Certification Requirement for Households; §507. Changes that Must Be Reported by CCAP Households; §509. Funding Availability and Prioritization; §511. Payments Made on Behalf of Ineligible Households; §513. Payments and Copayments Made to Providers; §701. General School Readiness Tax Credit Provisions; §703. Early Learning Center Expense Tax Credit; §705. Early Learning Center Tax Credit; §707. Credit for Early Learning Center Directors and Staff; §709. Business-Supported Early Learning Center Credits; §901. Authority; §903. Participation in LA Pathways; §1101. Authority; §1103. Definitions; §1105. Quality Start Child Care Rating System Requirements; §1107. Participation; §1109. Quality Start Child Care Rating System Tiered Bonus Payments; and §1111. Termination.

Further, the Board approved the recommendation of the LDE requesting the BESE President to issue a Declaration of Emergency in June 2015, effective from July 1, 2015, until the policy is adopted as a Rule, to prevent any lapse of regulations during the transfer of lead agency authority from DCFS to LDE on July 1, 2015.

NOTE: In order to execute the most straightforward Notice of Intent process, the LDE requested that the Board direct BESE staff to not proceed with the remainder of the Notice of Intent process for the revisions to Bulletin 139 approved on March 6, 2015, and April 15, 2015.

- 6.1.8 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 137, *Louisiana Early Learning Center Licensing Regulations: §305. Operating Without a License; Penalties.*

Further, the Board approved the recommendation of the LDE requesting the BESE President to issue a Declaration of Emergency, effective from June 18, 2015, until this policy is adopted as a Rule.

- 6.1.9 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 137, *Louisiana Early Learning Center Licensing Regulations: §103. Definitions; §507. Criminal Background Checks for Owners; §701. Initial Application Process; §703. Initial Inspection Process; §903. Change of Ownership; §1105. Identified Critical Violations and Fines; §1111. Payment of Fines; §1301. Reasons for Denial, Revocation or Refusal to Renew; §1303.*

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Notice of Denial, Revocation or Refusal to Renew; §1307. Appeal of Denial, Revocation or Refusal to Renew; §1511. Procedures; §1515. Child Records and Cumulative Files; §1703. Criminal Background Checks for Volunteers, Staff, Visitors and Independent Contractors; §1707. Required Staff; §1713. Supervision; §1721. Continuing Education; §1903. Physical Environment; §1907. Furnishings and Equipment; and §1921. Emergency Preparedness and Evacuation Planning.

Further, the Board approved the recommendation of the LDE requesting the BESE President to issue a Declaration of Emergency in June 2015, effective from July 1, 2015, until the policy is adopted as a Rule, to prevent any lapse of regulations during the transfer of lead agency authority from DCFS to LDE on July 1, 2015.

- 6.1.10 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board received the report on 2014-2015 state test participation in ELA and math assessments in grades 3-8.
- 6.1.11 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved Photography I, Photography II, and Digital Photography as course equivalents for Art for the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) Core Curriculum.
- 6.1.12 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the following appointments to the membership of the Accountability Commission:
- Otha Anders – School Board Member – Lincoln Parish and
Bruce Langley – Parent – Zachary Community School District.
- 6.1.13 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the Standards Review Committee membership and leadership, meeting procedures, and timeline revisions, as recommended by the LDE.
- 6.1.14 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 138, *Jump Start Program*: §305. Student Participation in Jump Start Programs.
- 6.1.15 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §2318. The TOPS University Diploma and §2354. Media Arts.

- 6.1.16 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Nonpublic Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for Nonpublic School Administrators*: §2109. High School Graduation Requirements and §2324. Media Arts.

Agenda **Administration and Finance Committee** (Schedule 3)
Item 6.2.

- 6.2.1 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report from the LDE Director of Internal Audit.
- 6.2.2 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report on LDE contracts of \$50,000 and under approved by the State Superintendent of Education.
- 6.2.3 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report on RSD contracts of \$50,000 and under approved by the State Superintendent of Education.
- 6.2.4 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report on in-state travel for Board members to be reimbursed from the BESE budget.
- 6.2.5 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report regarding the MFP formula, including the summary of the FY 2013-2014 Seventy Percent (70%) Instructional Calculation, as recommended by the LDE staff.
- 6.2.6 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board:
- a. received the report regarding the SSD budget;
 - b. revised all Administration and Finance Committee agenda items that reference BSS, removing "BSS" from the item titles; and
 - c. revised the Administration and Finance Committee agenda item: "Consideration of the Special School District budget," to report annually in the month of August.

Student Centered Goals - Competitive

6.2.7 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Jobs for America's Graduates - LA
Amount: \$2,389,488.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Source of Funds: IAT-TANF

Purpose: The Jobs for America's Graduates - Louisiana (JAG-LA) program is a dropout prevention/recovery and workforce preparation program for at-risk youth. The program keeps at-risk students in school through graduation to obtain a high school diploma or a high school equivalency diploma, and during that time improves their rate of success in acquiring employability and occupational competencies.

Basis of Allocation: Grant allocations for continuation request was conducted to determine the grant awards for FY 2015-2016. Applications were read and scored according to the established selection criteria and the ability to meet the requirements of the 2014-2015 JAG-LA Grant.

Due to appropriation of 10% less than prior year, 48 programs were recommended for funding. Programs not recommended did not meet all 2014-2015 grant requirements. In addition, all approved programs were reduced across the board to meet the budgetary constraints.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

District Support - Competitive

6.2.8 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Early Childhood
Amount: \$2,509,200.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Source of Funds: IAT-CCDF/State

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Purpose: Act 3 unifies publicly-funded preschool, Head Start, and child care programs into a statewide network of local networks. Since 2013, local networks of child care, Head Start, publicly-funded private preschools, and public school PreK have been working together to implement early learning and development standards, enrollment, and teacher expectations. All Louisiana communities have joined one of the three cohorts of Community Network Pilots and are working to unify their local systems.

To address the need for formal local leadership as the state moves from pilot stage to full implementation, the Lead Agency structure will replace the current Pilot Coordinating Partner structure and will support local response to the requirements of Louisiana's Early Childhood Education Act (Act 3).

Basis of Allocation: A competitive Request for Applications process was used to identify the Lead Agencies for Community Networks.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

6.2.9 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation:	Early Childhood
Amount:	\$2,012,400.00
Funding Period:	07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Source of Funds:	IAT-CCDF/State

Purpose: The purpose of these funds is to support Early Childhood Network Pilots to implement the five strategies outlined in the Early Childhood Care and Education Network - Roadmap to 2015, which are as follows:

1. Unify Expectations,
2. Support Teachers and Providers,
3. Measure and Recognize Progress,
4. Fund High Quality Providers, and
5. Provide Clear Information and High Quality Choices.

The ultimate goal of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network is to prepare our youngest learners for Kindergarten.

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Basis of Allocation: Allocations were determined competitively via a Request for Applications. The selection of the Community Network Pilots occurred through a two-step process: 1. Application review for basic requirements, and 2. Interview with the finalists. The interview sought to determine networks that could demonstrate their readiness to work on the five strategies listed above. Allocations represent the remaining amounts of start-up funding for each pilot.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

6.2.10 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Early Childhood
Amount: \$287,250.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Source of Funds: IAT-CCDF

Purpose: These funds will support Early Childhood Community Networks as they assist any childcare centers not previously participating in the local network with implementing the requirements of Louisiana's Early Care and Education Act.

Basis of Allocation: These allocations are need-based, determined by the number of centers that need to be brought into each Community Network, and are subject to adjustment.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

School and District Support - Competitive

6.2.11 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Preschool Development Grant - Expansion
Amount: \$1,762,900.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 09/30/2016
Source of Funds: Federal

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Purpose: The purpose of these funds is to create 340 seats in preschool programs in six communities. These seats will be aligned with LA 4 and Nonpublic Schools Early Childhood Development (NSECD) program requirements, including bachelor degree level teachers, 10:1 child to instructional staff ratios, full-day program, and inclusion of children with special needs. Families enrolling in the seats must meet the same income requirement of 185% of the federal poverty line or below, and will be provided comprehensive services through the grant. These seats will be offered through the Community Network's coordinated enrollment process. Classrooms funded through this grant, as well as other classrooms in the site, will be provided evidence-based coaching. This is year one funding of a four year grant.

Basis of Allocation: Allocations were determined competitively during the process of submitting the grant application to the federal government. Subgrantees were selected using a three tiered process:

1. Demonstrated Success as a Consortium of Early Learning Providers (Community Network Pilot): The state's first cohort of Community Network Pilots have demonstrated experience implementing the improvements required by Act 3 (2012). These communities are best positioned to implement the new, high-quality preschool seats because they are closest to unifying their local early childhood system.
2. Demonstrated Need through Unmet Parent Demand: Through the annual LA 4 and NSECD provider application process, communities request the number of preschool seats they need to serve their at-risk children for the following school year. Based on these projections, which reflect family demand for seats, eight cohort 1 Community Network Pilots have demonstrated need through the application for 2014-2015 seats.
3. Communities Most At Risk: In 2012, the Louisiana State University/Tulane University Early Childhood Policy and Data Center released a statewide report entitled "Early Childhood Risk and Reach in Louisiana," which illustrates the areas in the state where children are most at risk for being unhealthy and entering kindergarten already behind. For purposes of this grant, the state looks at where children are in the most need, based on children under age five living in poverty. Of the eight cohort 1 Community Network Pilots with demonstrated need, only the subgrantees are identified as most at risk in the report, based on being in the bottom 50% for children under age five living in poverty.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

School and District Innovations - Competitive

6.2.12 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation:	Title I School Improvement 1003a - Professional Development
Amount:	\$1,280,469.00
Funding Period:	07/01/15 - 06/30/16
Source of Funds:	Federal

Purpose: The Department of Education seeks to empower principals as they support teacher learning. This program will support districts as they implement a comprehensive principal support plan and strategies for leveraging Teacher Advancement Program/National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (TAP/NIET) Best Practices and/or The Principal Fellowship.

Basis of Allocation: Through this grant, the LDE will support two key initiatives. Grant applications of districts may include one or both opportunities.

TAP/NIET Best Practices: This initiative helps principals and schools implement effective practices for teacher collaboration, observation and feedback, goal setting, and teacher leaders. Districts may choose to implement the full TAP System in one or more schools and/or choose to implement a differentiated set of NIET (TAP) Best Practices.

Principal Fellowship: This program supports individual principals to build their instructional leadership skills through a 16-month cohort collaboration training. This school year over 100 principals across Louisiana will kick off the state's first cohort.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

School and District Support - Other

6.2.13 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation:	Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
Amount:	\$250,000.00
Funding Period:	07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Source of Funds:	Federal

Purpose: The LDE will provide allocations to eight local education agencies (LEAs) to serve as fiscal agent for their respective regional Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) consortium. As fiscal agent for an education region, the LEA will be responsible for securing and providing services (e.g., PBIS trainers, materials) in accordance with an approved budget; providing timely billing and accounting services; and submitting quarterly reports to the LDE. It is LDE's position that full statewide implementation of PBIS can be achieved more efficiently and expediently through the use of consortiums within each education region to assist with program implementation, than through program administration at the state level only. PBIS provides a positive and effective alternative to traditional methods of discipline. PBIS methods are research-based and proven to significantly reduce the occurrence of problem behaviors in school, resulting in improved climate and increased academic performance

Basis of Allocation: Eight local education agencies were selected to serve as fiscal agents for the PBIS Program within their respective education region. The LEAs were selected based on experience and/or prior service as a fiscal agent for PBIS implementation. Each LEA will receive a flat amount of \$31,250.00.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

Academic Content - Other

- 6.2.14 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: ELA and Math Summer Content Institutes
Amount: \$140,350.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 09/30/2015
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: To support schools in developing stronger literacy programs statewide, the LDE is allocating funds to districts to register for an English language arts strategy training through the English Laying the Foundation Program with the National Math and Science Initiative.

Basis of Allocation: Funds are allotted to LEAs that do not have SRCL grants based on their size. LEAs (non-charter) will be reimbursed from \$1050 to \$4200 of their registration costs, depending on LEA size; charter and laboratory schools will be reimbursed \$350 of their registration costs.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

- 6.2.15 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Math Summer Content Institutes
Amount: \$36,850.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 09/30/2015
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: To support schools in developing stronger mathematics programs statewide, the LDE is sharing funds with districts to register for math strategy trainings through Great Minds and the LSU Cain Center. Allocations to support math opportunities for priority, reward, and focus schools will be generated from 1003a funds.

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Basis of Allocation: Math funding is being allotted to districts based on their size. Allocations from 1003a are based upon district requests for funding for priority, reward, and focus schools. If the Summer Institutes should be cancelled due to lack of funding for non-priority, reward, and focus schools, then this allocation will no longer be applicable.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

School and District Support - Other

6.2.16 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation:	JAG AIM High! Middle School Pilot Project
Amount:	\$780,000.00
Funding Period:	07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Source of Funds:	Federal

Purpose: The JAG AIM High! Middle School Program will follow the same model as the current Jobs for America's Graduates - Louisiana (JAG-LA) program, which is a dropout prevention/recovery and workforce preparation program for at-risk youth. The program's purpose is to keep at-risk students in school through graduation to obtain a high school diploma or a high school equivalency diploma, and during that time improve their rates of academic success and employment. The program targets students with disabilities who are also at risk of dropping out. JAG AIM High! Middle School Program assists students in transitioning into high school. The primary objectives are for students to stay in school through graduation and pursue a postsecondary education.

Basis of Allocation: This allocation is a distribution of funds for 13 sites receiving continuation funding through flow-through funding for the FY 2015-2016 for the JAG-LA AIM High! Middle School Programs for the period of July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

Academic Content - Other

6.2.17 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Math Content Institutes
Amount: \$8,000.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 04/30/2016
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: To support schools in developing stronger mathematics programs statewide, the LDE is making available Math Design Collaborative training for all districts. These trainings focus on implementing Math Talk in the classroom, integrating high quality tasks into the curriculum, and analyzing student work. Louisiana educator teams from two districts will lead these trainings. The 4-day in-person trainings are facilitated by teams of 4-5 educators.

Basis of Allocation: Each MDC Facilitator team will be allocated \$4,000.00 for substitutes, materials, and other related expenses.

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

Management and Finance - Other

6.2.18 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following allocation:

Allocation: Teacher Preparation Program Inspection Pilot
Amount: \$30,000.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Source of Funds: Self-Generated

Purpose: The purpose of the Teacher Preparation Program Inspection Pilot is to support teacher preparation programs that are piloting a program inspection conducted by Teacher Prep Inspectorate-US. This pilot program provides participants with expert feedback on coursework, clinical experiences, and other aspects of their programs. The pilot program provides the LDE information on the value of an inspection-style program review process that could be used to support the

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continuous improvement of preparation programs. Feedback on the process may be shared with the Board of Regents, higher education institutions, and other preparation providers.

Basis of Allocation: Allocations are to reimburse participating providers for program activities (e.g., preparing for the inspection, scheduling inspection activities, assembling required documents for the inspection, and/or hosting the inspection).

Dr. Beebe recused herself from voting on this item.

- 6.2.19 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Louisiana Office of Student Financial Aid (LOSFA)
Contract Period: 05/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$60,259.00
Fund: IAT - 8(g)
Competitive Process: N/A

Description of Service: The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) will provide payment to LDE's Course Choice Postsecondary Dual Enrollment partners offering courses through Supplemental Course Academy. LOSFA will provide an invoice for the total for each LEA and LDE will subsequently provide the funds to LOSFA to pay the postsecondary institution.

- 6.2.20 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Louisiana Technical and Community College System and South Louisiana Community College
Contract Period: 04/01/2015 - 07/31/2015
Contract Amount: \$92,626.63
Fund: Self-Generated and Federal (Carl Perkins)
Competitive Process: Sole Source

Description of Service: To provide secondary and postsecondary instructors access to instructor certifications in the Jump Start Pathways/Certifications.

6.2.21 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College
Contract Period: 05/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$140,000.00
Fund: SGF
Competitive Process: Interagency Agreement

Description of Service: Identify possible alternative allocation approaches to certain components of the MFP formula simplifying the methodology, where possible, while continuing to maintain the equity and efficiency of the allocations.

6.2.22 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Brustein & Manasevit
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2018
Contract Amount: \$110,000.00
Fund: Federal
Competitive Process: Non-competitive

Description of Service: The contractor provides the LDE with advice on interpreting federal statutes and regulations regarding federal grant funds, and provides training for staff and LEAs on various federal programs.

6.2.23 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Bayou Land Families Helping Families, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.24 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families Acadiana, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.25 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families at the Crossroads, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.26 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families at the Crossroads, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$64,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide students, aged five through twenty-one, with a physical or visual disability the information, support, training, and technology to access recreational and competitive opportunities in educational settings (interscholastic and intramural) and local communities through the organization Games Uniting Mind and Body (GUMBO).

6.2.27 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families of Greater Baton Rouge Louisiana, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.28 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families of Jefferson, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.29 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families Northeast Louisiana, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.30 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families Region 7, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.31 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families of Southeast Louisiana, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.32 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Families Helping Families Southwest Louisiana, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.33 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Northshore Families Helping Families, Inc.
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$80,500.00
Fund: Federal - IDEA - Part B
Competitive Process: Non Competitive

Description of Service: To provide resources, direct support, materials, and training to families, educators, and service providers of students with disabilities.

6.2.34 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Children's Hospital Ventilator Assisted Care Project
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$160,000.00
Fund: IDEA - Federal
Competitive Process: Sole Source

Description of Service: To provide training, technical medical assistance, and follow-up services for children who are chronically ill, have complex low incidence disorders, or have conditions requiring very specialized follow-up and/or treatment.

6.2.35 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: Department of Health and Hospitals, Office for Citizens With Developmental Disabilities
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$717,301.00
Fund: IAT
Competitive Process: N/A

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Description of Service: Special School District (SSD) will provide appropriate educational services to eligible school age residents of Office for Citizens With Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)-operated Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD), designed to assist the facility in facilitating the students' expeditious return to community living and sustainable long-term community placements.

6.2.36 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Agenda for Children - Region 1 (Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$605,896.00
Amended Amount: \$605,896.00
Contract Amount: \$1,211,792.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.37 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Agenda for Children - Region 3 (Livingston, St. Helena, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Washington)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$363,487.00
Amended Amount: \$363,487.00
Contract Amount: \$726,974.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.38 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Agenda for Children - Region 4
(Ascension, Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John, Terrebonne)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$338,803.00
Amended Amount \$338,803.00
Contract Amount: \$677,606.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.39 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Calcasieu Parish School Board - Calcasieu Parish
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$170,375.00
Amended Amount \$170,375.00
Contract Amount: \$340,750.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.40 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Children’s Coalition - Region 9 (Caldwell, E. Carroll, Franklin, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Tensas, Union, W. Carroll)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$472,188.00
Amended Amount \$472,186.05
Contract Amount: \$944,374.05
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.41 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Lafayette Parish School Board - Lafayette Parish
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$249,993.53
Amended Amount \$249,954.41
Contract Amount: \$499,947.94
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.42 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Northwestern State University - Pathways
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$347,800.00
Amended Amount \$347,800.00
Contract Amount: \$695,600.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.43 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Northwestern State University - Region 7 (Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides, Vernon, Winn)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$390,575.00
Amended Amount \$390,575.00
Contract Amount: \$781,150.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.44 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Northwestern State University - Region 8
(Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne,
DeSoto, Jackson, Natchitoches, Red River,
Sabine, Webster)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$557,975.00
Amended Amount \$557,975.00
Contract Amount: \$1,115,950.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development
Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.45 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Northwestern State University - Scholarship
Program
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$572,785.00
Amended Amount \$1,322,785.00
Contract Amount: \$1,895,570.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development
Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.46 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Volunteers of America Greater Baton Rouge - Region 2 (East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$554,552.00
Amended Amount \$554,541.00
Contract Amount: \$1,109,093.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.47 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Volunteers of America Greater Baton Rouge - Region 5 (Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, Vermillion)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$390,562.09
Amended Amount \$390,549.77
Contract Amount: \$781,111.86
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.48 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Volunteers of America Greater Baton Rouge -
Region 6 (Allen, Beauregard, Cameron,
Jefferson Davis)
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$51,145.00
Amended Amount \$51,143.00
Contract Amount: \$102,288.00
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development Fund
(CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.49 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract amendment:

Contractor: Tulane University - Assessment Team
Contract Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2016
Previous Amount: \$6,866,722.28
Amended Amount \$2,496,127.46
Contract Amount: \$9,362,849.74
Fund: Federal - Child Care and Development
Fund (CCDF)
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: The contractor will provide consumer education and referral services, foundational learning opportunities, and technical assistance to early childhood providers in order to support implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

6.2.50 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: University of Louisiana Lafayette
Contract Period: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$2,100,000.00
Fund: CCDF, State General Funds, 8(g)
Competitive Process: N/A

Description of Service: The contractor will provide 3,860 Pre-K and Toddler Early Childhood Classroom Assessment and Scoring System (CLASS) observations at the rate of \$544 per observation, using reliable observers, and will deliver all scores to the LDE. Contractor scores, along with local scores, will contribute to performance ratings for the 2015-2016 Learning Year for Community Networks and sites. These ratings will be reported as part of the Practice Performance Profiles in 2016, required by Act 3 (2012) and Bulletin 140, *Louisiana Early Childhood Care and Education Network*.

6.2.51 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report concerning Type 2 Charter School budgets and expenditure reports, including irregularities and concerns, as recommended by Education Finance staff.

6.2.52 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the Fiscal Risk Assessment documents for FY 2014-2015, as recommended by LDE staff, noting that the status for Milestone Academy has been changed from No Action to Monitor in the documentation.

6.2.53 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board directed the LDE to:

1. conduct an independent audit of Milestone Academy's board policies, practices, and procedures;
2. develop recommended improvements to ensure compliance with academic, financial, and organizational performance; and
3. present a report to the Board during the August 11, 2015, School Innovation and Turnaround Committee meeting.

6.2.54 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report concerning Type 5 charter school budgets and expenditure reports, including irregularities and concerns, as recommended by Education Finance staff.

6.2.55 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received the report regarding the review of the 2015-2016 Budget for the Recovery School District.

6.2.56 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board deferred consideration of the approval of the 2015-2016 Budget for the Recovery School District until the August 11, 2015, Administration and Finance Committee meeting.

6.2.57 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board received an update on RSD Capital Projects from April 2015 including RSD Monthly Summary for April 2015; OPSB Monthly Summary for April 2015; Superintendents' Reports for April 2015; RSD Open Contracts as of May 11, 2015; OPSB Open Contracts as of May 11, 2015; Bid Tabulations for April 2015; and the 2015 First Quarter Report.

6.2.58 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor:	Fauntleroy and Latham Architects, APC
Contract Period:	03/23/2009 - 09/23/2015
Previous Amount:	\$1,988,599.17
Amended Amount:	\$170,000.00
Contract Amount:	\$2,158,599.17
Fund:	IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process:	Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for an interim payment to the designer for prolonged contract administration and observation of construction ("Extended CA") for the new Mildred C. Osborne Elementary School.

6.2.59 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor:	Mahlum Scairono Martinez JV
Contract Period:	12/05/2012 - 12/05/2015
Previous Amount:	\$467,442.00
Amended Amount:	\$62,583.00
Contract Amount:	\$530,025.00

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Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment adjusts the designer's basic services fee, based on the owner-approved revised renovation factor for Laurel Elementary School.

6.2.60 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Material Management Group, Inc.
Contract Period: 06/15/2015 - 06/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$244,163.00
Fund: Self-Generated - Harrah's Facilities
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: To provide an updated and comprehensive asbestos management plan and lead risk assessments.

6.2.61 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: Poydras (Louisiana), LLC
Contract Period: 09/01/2012 - 08/31/2017
Previous Amount: \$1,125,000.00
Amended Amount: \$520,000.00
Contract Amount: \$1,645,000.00
Fund: IAT - Charter Administrative Fee
Competitive Process: Sole Source

Description of Service: This contract is for the lease of space to house the RSD central office.

6.2.62 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: Sizeler Thompson Brown Architects Project Design Group, LLC
Contract Period: 10/16/2013 - 10/16/2016
Previous Amount: \$1,533,245.50
Amended Amount: \$5,468.67

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Contract Amount: \$1,538,714.17
 Fund: IAT - FEMA
 Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for the reimbursable expense for printing and distribution of construction documents for Avery Alexander School.

6.2.63 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board approved the legislative report required by House Concurrent Resolution 204 of the 2009 Regular Legislative Session, which requested the Board to conduct a 10-year comparative study of graduation rates in Louisiana public schools using a 6-year cohort of students in 7th through 12th grades, and direct the LDE to submit the report to the appropriate legislative bodies.

NOTE: This report represents the 6th year of the 10-year study.

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Dr. Beebe provided Board members with a proposed Resolution and two documents entitled “SB 267 Simulation - FY 2015-16 Charter Per Pupil - Per RS 17:3995 - New Type 2 Charter Schools - Statewide” and “SB 267 Simulation - FY 2015-16 Charter Per Pupil - Per RS 17:3995 - Orleans Parish School Board Only.”

Dr. Beebe offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the Resolution.

Discussion followed.

Public comments were received from Mr. Shawn Fleming, Louisiana Developmental Disabilities Council; Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association; Superintendent Brian LeJeune, Louisiana Association of School Superintendents and Jefferson Davis Parish School System; and Ms. Veronica Brooks, Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools.

Discussion followed.

The Board agreed to withdraw the motion.

6.2.64A On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board delayed discussion regarding the proposed Resolution and two documents entitled "SB 267 Simulation - FY 2015-16 Charter Per Pupil - Per RS 17:3995 - New Type 2 Charter Schools - Statewide" and "SB 267 Simulation - FY 2015-16 Charter Per Pupil - Per RS 17:3995 - Orleans Parish School Board Only," which were distributed by Dr. Beebe, pertaining to Senate Bill 267 of the 2015 Regular Legislative, until the August 2015 Administration and Finance Committee meeting in order for the LDE to further research the report and possible implications.

6.2.64B On motion of Dr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board received the verbal report regarding the 2015 Regular Legislative Session.

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Item 6.3. **Administration and Finance Committee** (Schedule 4)

6.3.1 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor:	Byron J. Stewart & Associates, APC Architects and Planners
Previous Amount:	\$117,365.00
Amended Amount:	\$66,266.00
Contract Amount:	\$183,631.00
Contract Period:	03/07/2014 - 03/07/2017
Fund:	IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process:	Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for an increase in the designer's fee for basic services based on the actual low bidder's price from bids received March 3, 2015.

6.3.2 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor:	Chenevert Architects, LLC
Previous Amount:	\$1,854,590.22
Amended Amount:	\$71,440.60
Contract Amount:	\$1,926,030.82
Contract Period:	01/18/2012 - 01/18/2017

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Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for interim payment for prolonged contract administration and for additional masonry observation services.

- 6.3.3 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: Duplantis Design Group, PC
Previous Amount: \$48,733.00
Amended Amount: \$184,952.00
Contract Amount: \$233,685.00
Contract Period: 12/05/2012 - 12/05/2015
Fund: IAT – FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for an increase in the designer's fee for basic services on the actual low bidder's price from bids received February 4, 2015. It also provides for additional services for land surveying services.

- 6.3.4 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract:

Contractor: Mahlum Scairono Martinez Joint Venture
Contract Amount: \$83,568.00
Contract Period: 05/27/2015 - 05/27/2017
Fund: IAT – FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This contract provides for the professional architectural design services and construction administration for the demolition of the modular buildings at the Abramson (Phase II) campus and Carver campus.

- 6.3.5 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: N-Y Associates, Inc. Consulting Engineers
Architects & Planners
Previous Amount: \$141,715.00
Amended Amount: \$18,058.25
Contract Amount: \$159,773.25
Contract Period: 01/15/2014 - 01/15/2017
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for the separation of the project into two (2) separate projects; adjusts the renovation factor for kitchen improvements at various RSD schools: Walter L. Cohen High School; Andrew Jackson Elementary School; Henry Allen Elementary School; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Charter School; Sarah T. Reed High School; and Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary School; and adjusts the designer's fee for basic services based on the revised AFC for each project. It also provides for the reimbursable expense for printing of construction documents and addenda for kitchen improvements at various RSD schools: Henry Allen Elementary School; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Charter School; Sarah T. Reed High School; and Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary School.

- 6.3.6 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: SCNZ Architects, LLC
Previous Amount: \$68,007.40
Amended Amount: \$14,300.00
Contract Amount: \$82,307.40
Contract Period: 10/17/2012 - 10/17/2015
Fund: INS - Lexington
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for the additional professional architectural services for conducting an assessment for life safety, HVAC, lighting, and fire alarm with existing open classrooms and submission of a report summarizing the findings at Albert Wicker School refurbishment.

6.3.7 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: Sizeler Thompson Brown Architects Project Design Group, LLC
Previous Amount: \$1,365,481.10
Amended Amount: \$167,764.40
Contract Amount: \$1,533,245.50
Contract Period: 10/16/2013 - 10/16/2016
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for an increase in the designer's fee for basic services based on the actual low bidder's price from bids received February 11, 2015.

6.3.8 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: VergesRome Architects, APAC
Previous Amount: \$1,780,612.98
Amended Amount: \$118,572.00
Contract Amount: \$1,899,184.98
Contract Period: 03/09/2012 - 03/09/2017
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services based on the available funds for construction for Frederick A. Douglass High School science classroom renovation.

6.3.9 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: Waggonner & Ball Architects, APC
Previous Amount: \$1,604,329.39
Amended Amount: \$11,673.88
Contract Amount: \$1,616,003.27
Contract Period: 10/16/2013 - 10/16/2016
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

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Description of Service: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services based on the actual low bidder's price from bids received for Abrams Elementary School (New - PK-8)

- 6.3.10 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor:	Waggoner & Ball Architects, APC
Previous Amount:	\$2,236,102.80
Amended Amount:	\$140,483.05
Contract Amount:	\$2,376,585.85
Contract Period:	08/15/2012 - 08/15/2015
Fund:	IAT – FEMA
Competitive Process:	Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services based on the actual low bidder's price from bids received for Ernest "Dutch" Morial School (New - PK-8).

- 6.3.11 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received an update on RSD Capital Projects from March 2015 including RSD Monthly Summary for March 2015; OPSB Monthly Summary for March 2015; Superintendent's Report for March 2015; RSD Open Contracts as of April 7, 2015; OPSB Open Contracts as of April 7, 2015; and Bid Tabulations for March 2015.

Agenda Item 6.4. **Committee of the Whole**
School Innovation and Turnaround Committee (Schedule 5)

- 6.4.1 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received the 2015 OneApp Round One Summary Report.

Agenda Item 6.5. **Educator Effectiveness Committee** (Schedule 6)

- 6.5.1 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board received the minutes of the Teacher Certification Appeals Council meeting held on March 25, 2015.

- 6.5.2 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board approved the request submitted by McNeese State University to expand the Practitioner Teacher Program - Alternative Path to certification by adding the following paths to the secondary education (grades 6-12) areas: Biology, Chemistry, English, French, General Science, Mathematics, Physics, Social Studies, and Spanish.
- 6.5.3 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board approved the request submitted by Louisiana Tech University to extend its Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) continuing accreditation visit and self-study report by one year, from Spring 2017 to Spring 2018.
- 6.5.4 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board:
- received the report entitled "Retiree Return-to-Work Critical Shortage Area Certification Report" (LA R.S. 11.710 & 11:1107)," which includes the following school years: 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015; and
 - revised the Educator Effectiveness Committee agenda to include the following standing item on the Consent Agenda - Informational Reports: "Consideration of a report regarding the certification of teacher shortages in critical shortage areas, submitted by Local Education Agencies (LEAs)" with reporting months of January, June, and December annually.
- 6.5.5 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*: §305. Professional Level Certificates, §317. Local Education Agency Appeal, renumbering existing §707. Educational Leader Certificate Level 2 (EDL 2) to §706, renumbering existing §709. Educational Leader Certificate Level 3 (EDL 3) to §708, creating new §709. Non-practicing Status for Educational Leader Certificates, §712. Local Education Agency Appeal, and repealing §910. Suspension of Non-Renewal of Certificate/Endorsement Due to Ineffectiveness, to update guidelines for renewal of educator certificates.
- 6.5.6 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board revoked the Louisiana Level 1 teaching certificate, #432266, issued to Mr. David Wayne Bruce.

- 6.5.7 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board revoked the Louisiana Type B teaching certificate, #068215, issued to Mr. Mitchell Viator.
- 6.5.8 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board granted the issuance of a Louisiana Out-of-State Principal Level 2 certificate appropriate to the credentials of Dr. Spurgeon Banyard.
- 6.5.9 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board granted the issuance of a Louisiana Out-of-State Principal certificate appropriate to the credentials of Mr. Lynn Dexter Lang.
- 6.5.10 On motion of Ms. Orange Jones, seconded by Dr. Miranti, the Board granted the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to the credentials of Mr. Kendrick Aaron Tankerson.

Agenda Item 6.6. **School Innovation and Turnaround Committee** (Schedule 7)

- 6.6.1 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Harris, the Board approved the request for a material amendment to the charter governing the Jefferson Chamber Foundation Academy, operated by Jefferson Chamber Foundation Academy, to change the current physical location of the school effective for the 2015-2016 school year, to expand the enrollment capacity to 300 students, reaching full capacity by the 2017-2018 school year, and to add an additional service site on the West Bank of Jefferson Parish for the 2015-2016 school year, as recommended by the LDE.

NOTE: The Jefferson Chamber Foundation Academy and the Jefferson Chamber Foundation are currently in discussion regarding a change in the name of the Jefferson Chamber Foundation Academy so as to remove the word "Chamber" from the name.

- 6.6.2 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Harris, the Board deleted from the agenda, "Consideration of policy revisions related to Recovery School District management issues."

Agenda **Board Advisory Council Reports**
Item 7.

Agenda **Nonpublic School Council** (Schedule 8)
Item 7.1.

On motion of Dr. Miranti, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board received the minutes of the Nonpublic School Council meeting held May 12, 2015, and approved the tentative agenda for July 28, 2015.

Agenda **Superintendents' Advisory Council** (Schedule 9)
Item 7.2.

On motion of Dr. Boffy, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board received the minutes of the Superintendents' Advisory Council meeting held May 14, 2015, and approved the tentative agenda for July 23, 2015.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.