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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.

# SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MINUTES

Meeting of May 7, 2019

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

May 7, 2019

### The Louisiana Purchase Room Baton Rouge, LA

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education met in special session on May 7, 2019, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Board President Gary Jones.

Board members present were Dr. Holly Boffy, Mr. Tony Davis, Ms. Kathy Edmonston, Mr. Jim Garvey, Ms. Sandy Holloway, Dr. Gary Jones, Ms. Jada Lewis, Ms. Kira Orange Jones, Mr. Tommy Roque, Dr. Lurie Thomason, and Ms. Doris Voitier.

Public comments were received from Mr. David Alexander, Ascension Public Schools: Mr. Jeremy Couvillion, Assumption Parish Schools: Mr. Scott Devillier, Zachary Community School District; Dr. Sara Ebarb, Sabine Parish School District; Mr. Darrell Fairburn; Washington Parish School System; Mr. Jason Fountain, Central Community School System; Mr. Devin Gregoire, Mr. Joe Murphy, and Mr. Rick Wentzel, Livingston Parish Public Schools; Mr. John Gullatt, Caldwell Parish School District; Ms. Sonia Fields Gutierrez, St. Helena Parish School District; Mr. Sheldon Jones, Richland Parish School Board; Ms. Cary Laviolette, Iberia Parish School District; Mr. Paul Nelson, Tensas Parish School Board; Dr. Janet Pope, Louisiana School Boards Association; Mr. Jerome Puyau, Vermilion Parish School District; Mr. Ted Reeves, Union Parish School District; Mr. Scott Richard, Acadia Parish School Board; Mr. Carlos J. Sam, East Feliciana Public Schools; Mr. Donald Songy, Office of the Governor; Ms. Lisa Tanner, Bogalusa City Schools; Ms. Sarah Vandergriff, Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools; Mr. Rodney Watson, Louisiana Retired Teachers Association; Ms. Deborah Meaux and Ms. Suzette Riddle, Louisiana Association of Educators; Mr. Michael W. Faulk and Dr. Kelli Joseph, Louisiana Association of School Superintendents; Ms. Heather Cushman and Mr. Larry J. Carter, Jr., Louisiana Federation of Teachers; and Ms. Rebecca Albert, Dr. Keith Courville, and Ms. Robyn Hiestand; concerned citizens.

Agenda On motion of Ms. Voitier, seconded by Mr. Roque, the Board approved the agenda, as printed and disseminated. (Schedule 1)

#### Agenda Approval of the Minutes Item 3.

item 5.

Agenda On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Dr. Thomason, the Board ltem 3.1. approved the minutes of April 17, 2019.

## Agenda Item 4. Items for Consideration

Agenda Item 4.1.

On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. Voitier, the Board received the report regarding the status of the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Formula for FY 2019-2020.

Lengthy discussion followed.

Agenda Item 4.2. On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Roque, the Board recommended Ms. Helen Bridges Carter as its nominee to the Governor for appointment to the Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS).

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The Board recessed for lunch at 11:57 a.m. and reconvened at 12:46 p.m. A quorum was present.

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On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. Voitier, the Board went into executive session at 12:47 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Dr. Boffy, Mr. Davis, Ms. Edmonston, Mr. Garvey, Ms. Holloway, Dr. Jones, Ms. Lewis, Mr. Roque, Dr. Thomason, and Ms. Voitier.

Nays: None.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: Ms. Orange Jones.

The roll call vote on the motion to go into executive session passed.

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On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Dr. Boffy, the Board reconvened into special session at 2:20 p.m. A quorum was present.

Agenda No further action was taken regarding Agenda Item 4.3., "Consideration of Executive Session regarding personnel matters (per LA R.S. 42:17)."

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.