

**ORLEANS PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
BOARD BUSINESS MEETING  
3520 GENERAL DEGAULLE DRIVE  
SUITE 1040  
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70114  
AUGUST 15, 2017  
5:00 PM**

1. OPENING OF MEETING

Procedural: 1.1 CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

The Orleans Parish School Board Meeting was called to order by Board President, John Brown, Sr. at 5:02 PM with the following Board members present: Ethan Ashley, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, and Sarah Newell Usdin. Also present, Superintendent, Dr. Henderson Lewis, Jr., and Board Counsel, Sharonda Williams.

Procedural: 1.2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by students from Edgar P. Harney: Kia Madrano, Madison Beamon, and Nadelin Martinez.

Action: 1.3 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to adopt the Board meeting agenda as printed.

Motion by Leslie Ellison, second by Sarah Newell Usdin.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

2. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Action, Minutes: 2.1 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Move that the Orleans Parish School board adopts the minutes of the July 20, 2017 Board Business Meeting and the Special Board Meeting of August 8, 2017 as printed and waive the reading of the minutes.

Motion by Leslie Ellison, second by Sarah Newell Usdin.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

Board Member Ethan Ashley asked for personal privilege to announce the recipient of a \$500 scholarship award from Kappa Alpha Psi, Fraternity, Inc. presented to Shelby Sterling a recent graduate of McMain Secondary High School. Superintendent Lewis asked to observe a moment of silence in memory of a student who attended Edgar P. Harney. COO, Eric Seling gave a brief update on emergency preparedness with the City of New Orleans in the wake of the city's pumping capacity.

Board President Brown thanked staff, principals and teachers from both OPSB and RSD in their collaborative efforts to keep students and families safe in the wake of impending street flooding throughout the city.

Board Vice President Ellison urged all drivers to slow down in school zones and don't text and drive. Please keep our students and families safe.

4. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Action (Consent): 4.1 RFP NO. 17-0033 Types 1 and 3 Charter Application Review

Resolution: Move that the Orleans Parish School Board approve the award for Types 1 and 3 Charter School Application Review Services from The National Association of Charter School Authorizers (NASCA) in an amount not to exceed \$115,442.00 and authorize the OPSB General Counsel to prepare said contract.

Move that the Orleans Parish School Board approve the Consent Agenda in global.

Motion by Leslie Ellison, second by Sarah Newell Usdin.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Action (Consent): 4.2 Increase Direct Diversion of USDA Commodities for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year for the Child Nutrition Program

Resolution: Move that the Orleans Parish School Board approve the additional purchase of USDA Direct Diversion Products for the Child Nutrition Program from the following companies; Turkey and Ground Beef: Jenny-O (\$34,772.14); Shady Brook (\$6,488.19), Chicken: Yang's (\$21,307.20) Eggs and Cheese: Sunny Fresh (\$7,457.10); Bongards (\$6,285.06); Nardone (\$31,322.60); Alpha (\$14,997.32); Beacon St. Café/Schwan (\$8,999.28); Hot Off The Grill (\$19,483.81) Pollock Fish for the: North Atlantic (\$5,237.50); Potatoes: Basic American (\$10,154.76); The increased amount to be diverted is \$166,504.96. The total purchase for this school year is \$344,455.96.

Move that the Orleans Parish School Board approve the Consent Agenda in global.

Motion by Leslie Ellison, second by Sarah Newell Usdin.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

## 5. ACTION ITEMS

Action: 5.1 Amendment to Policy HAA - Charter Operator Notice & Engagement

The following public comment was heard: Graham Williams addressed the board in favor of Policy HAA

Move that the Orleans Parish School Board approve the amendment to Policy HAA

Motion by Sarah Newell Usdin, second by Woody Koppel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Action: 5.2 Resolution 44-17 re: Safe and Secure Schools

A voice vote was held on OPSB Resolution 44-17.

Move that the Orleans Parish School Board adopts Resolution 44-17 supporting the principle that undocumented children have a right to receive a free public education, declaring schools to be safe zones for all students and urging the governing boards of all charter schools in Orleans Parish to adopt similar resolutions.

Motion by Sarah Newell Usdin, second by Woody Koppel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Action: 5.3 Increase Vacant Property Specialists (VPS) Security Panels at Jones, Augustine, and Add System to Tureaud

Move that the Orleans Parish School Board approve Installation of VPS Security System Panels at Jones, Augustine, and Tureaud and Add Intrusion Monitoring at Tureaud

Motion by Woody Koppel, second by Sarah Newell Usdin.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Action: 5.4 McMain High School Exterior Building Envelope Repair

Move that the Orleans Parish School Board accepts the contract for architectural/engineering services for the repair of the exterior envelope of McMain High School in the amount of \$333,618.00; and to authorize the OPSB General Counsel to prepare a contract for signatures of the Board President and the design firm.

Motion by Woody Koppel, second by Ethan Ashley.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Abstain: Sarah Newell Usdin. Board Member Sarah Usdin recused herself from the vote regarding McMain High School Exterior Building Envelop Repair.

Action: 5.5 Approval of Superintendent Contract

Move that the Orleans Parish School Board approves the new contract of employment for its superintendent.

Motion by Sarah Newell Usdin, second by Leslie Ellison.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Action: 5.6 Stoploss Insurance Carrier

Move that Orleans Parish School Board approves the contract with Houston Casualty Company, and authorizes the Board President to sign the contract.

Motion by Leslie Ellison, second by Sarah Newell Usdin.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Action: 5.7 Self-funded Health Plan Third Party Administrator

Move that Orleans Parish School Board approves the contract with UMR, a United Healthcare Company for a twelve-month period in the amount of \$315,946.80; and authorizes the Board President to sign the contract.

Motion by Leslie Ellison, second by Woody Koppel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

Action: 5.8 Flood Insurance Renewals & Placements

Move that Orleans Parish School Board approves the request to renew existing flood insurance policies and place coverage on returning locations for the current fiscal year.

Motion by Sarah Newell Usdin, second by Leslie Ellison.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley

7. ADJOURNMENT

Action: 7.1 ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 5:28 PM.

Motion by Sarah Newell Usdin, second by Ethan Ashley.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yea: Sarah Newell Usdin, Woody Koppel, Nolan Marshall, John Brown, Leslie Ellison, Ben Kleban, Ethan Ashley