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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 October 15, 2014

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

OCTOBER 15, 2014

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

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education met in regular session on October 15, 2014, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Board President Chas Roemer, and opened with a prayer by Ms. Veronica Brooks, Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools.

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 Ms. Jane Smith.

Ms. Jodi Loar, Child Care Association of Louisiana, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item 2. On motion of Dr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. Bradford, the Board approved the agenda, as printed and disseminated, with the addition of Emergency Agenda Item 8.1. (Schedule 1)

Agenda Item 3. On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the minutes of August 13, 2014.

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

State Superintendent of Education John White stated that his most recent statewide visits have focused on unification of the early childhood network, implementation of higher academic standards, teacher candidates spending more time in the classroom prior to graduating and entering the workforce, and graduation of students with career credentials.

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. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report regarding the request from Richland Parish for a waiver of policy contained in Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §1705. School Libraries/Media Centers.
- 5.1.2 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board ratified the approval of the designation of law studies as an equivalent to social studies for the purpose of meeting the social studies course requirements for the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) scholarship for 2014 high school graduates.
- 5.1.3 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the request from the St. James Parish School System for a waiver of policy contained in Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*: §1904. Definitions, to continue the Scholastic Academy, which provides blended classes of gifted and high-potential students at the Gifted Center, contingent upon the following:
- The screening pool for Scholastic Academy will be determined by scores of 90% or higher on the MAP Achievement Test or parental/teacher recommendations;
 - A full gifted evaluation will be completed within three years of enrollment in the Scholastic Academy;
 - Students not meeting evaluation criteria will exit the program at the end of a school year, rather than mid-year; and
 - St. James Parish School System must monitor the Scholastic 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 Scholastic Academy must continue to increase, and the district's gifted population must increase.
- 5.1.4 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the request from the Monroe City School District for a waiver of policy contained in Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*: §1904. Definitions, to continue the

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waiver for the use of blended classes in three resource settings at Carroll Junior High School for one section of seventh grade math, one section of seventh grade ELA, one section of eighth grade ELA, and a waiver for the number of students allowed in one gifted resource setting, from 12 students to 14 students, contingent upon the following:

- Monroe City School District must submit criteria for placement in this blended class to LDE, as well as a description of the curriculum that includes the expectations and differentiated components needed for this gifted resource setting;
- Documentation of all regular education students in these blended classes screened for gifted classification must be provided by the end of the academic school year;
- Documentation of statewide assessment scores for the previous and current years must be provided by the end of the academic school year; and
- Monroe City School District must monitor programming impacted by this request to assure that policies and procedures are consistently followed. For future waivers to be approved, an increase in gifted referrals and subsequent evaluations for the district must result, and the student academic performance levels should be maintained and continue to grow.

5.1.5 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the request from the St. Mary Parish School System for waiver of policy contained in Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*. §2001. Pupil/Teacher, and Pupil Appraisal Ratios for Public Education, granted for the 2013-2014 school year, to be continued for the 2014-2015 school year. This would allow an increase in the pupil-teacher ratio from 30 to a maximum of 38 students for 6 Talented Visual Arts teachers, from 30 to a maximum of 42 students for 2 Talented Theatre teachers, and from 30 to a maximum of 38 students for 4 Talented Music teachers, contingent upon the following:

- St. Mary Parish must monitor programming impacted by this request to assure that policies and procedures are consistently followed. For future waivers to be approved, the talented performance growth of students must not be negatively impacted.

5.1.6 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report regarding the 2015 selection process for the Blue Ribbon School Program.

5.1.7 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following Jump Start Graduation Pathways:

Statewide Graduation Pathways

- 1) Automobile Service;
- 2) Carpenter;
- 3) Certified Mechanical Drafter;
- 4) Certified Nursing Assistant;
- 5) Collision Repair;
- 6) Electrician;
- 7) Emergency Medical Tech;
- 8) Fashion Design;
- 9) Four Stroke Engine Tech;
- 10) HVAC Tech;
- 11) Industrial Maintenance Mechanic;
- 12) Internet Web Foundations;
- 13) Manufacturing Specialist;
- 14) Mobile Crane Operator;
- 15) Oil and Gas T2 Safety Systems;
- 16) Pipefitter;
- 17) Plumber;
- 18) Prostart/Restaurant;
- 19) Web Design Professional;
- 20) Welder;

Integrated Graduation Pathways

- 21) Agriculture Tech;
- 22) Digital Media and Entertainment Technology;
- 23) Health Sciences – Patient Care and Management;
- 24) Hospitality, Tourism, Culinary, and Retail;
- 25) Information Technology;
- 26) Manufacturing, Construction Crafts, and Logistics;
- 27) STEM;
- 28) Technology Specialist; and

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Regional Graduation Pathways

- 29) Business Management;
- 30) Commercial Driver;
- 31) Mason;
- 32) Sheet Metal; and
- 33) Welder's Helper.

5.1.8 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the method for posting no smoking signs at schools in order to comply with Act 581 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session, as recommended by the LDE.

5.1.9 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the appointment procedure for Disciplinary Hearing Officers (DHOs).

5.1.10 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the 2014-2015 list of alternative education programs, as follows:

Acadia Parish School System: Acadia Parish School Board's Alternative Program;

Allen Parish School System: Allen Parish Alternative Program, Oberlin High Alternative School, and Kinder High Alternative School;

Ascension Parish School System: A.P.P.L.e-Digital Academy Alternative Learning Program;

Assumption Parish School System: Assumption Parish Alternative Program;

Avoyelles Parish School System: Avoyelles High School, Bunkie New Tech High School, Avoyelles Virtual Alternative Program, Marksville High School, Bunkie Elementary School, Cottonport Elementary School, Lafargue Elementary School, Marksville Elementary School, Plaucheville Elementary School, and Riverside Elementary School;

Beauregard Parish School System: Beauregard Alternative Program (BAP);

Bienville Parish School System: Arcadia High School and Ringgold High School;

Bossier Parish School System: Butler Educational Complex;

Caddo Parish School System: Pathways in Education-Louisiana Inc.;

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Calcasieu Parish School System: Next Step Academy, Calcasieu Parish Alternative Site, Simon Youth Academy, Calcasieu Parish Juvenile Detention Center, Positive Connections: Academic and Treatment Program, Methodist Children's Home, Harbour House, and Boys Village;

Caldwell Parish School System: Caldwell Parish High School;

Cameron Parish School System: Grand Lake High School, Hackberry High School, Johnson Bayou High School, and South Cameron High School;

Catahoula Parish School System: Catahoula Parish Alternative Program;

Claiborne Parish School System: Haynesville Elementary School, Haynesville Junior/Senior High School, Homer Elementary School, Homer Junior High School, Homer High School, and Summerfield High School;

DeSoto Parish School System: DeSoto Alternative Program;

East Baton Rouge Parish School System: EBR Discipline Center;

East Carroll Parish School System: East Carroll Parish Alternative Program;

Evangeline Parish School System: Evangeline Parish Alternative Program;

Franklin Parish School System: Horace G. White Learning Center;

Grant Parish School System: Grant Academy;

Iberia Parish School System: Alternative Center for Education;

Iberville Parish School System: Iberville Elementary School, Crescent Elementary/Junior High School, Dorseyville Elementary School, Plaquemine Senior High School, East Iberville Elementary/High School, North Iberville Elementary, and White Castle High School;

Jackson Parish School System: Jackson Parish Alternative Program;

Jefferson Parish School System: Bunche/Martyn Connections Program, St. Ville/Douglass Connections Program, School Academic Program for Expelled High School (W.J.H.S.), and School Academic Program for Expelled High School (G.K.H.S.);

Jefferson Davis Parish School System: Alternative Program;

Lafourche Parish School System: Positive Action School Site, Positive Action School North Site, Positive Action School Central Site, and Val Tutoring Alternative Program;

LaSalle Parish School System: LaSalle Parish Alternative Program;

Lincoln Parish School System: Lincoln Center;

Livingston Parish School System: Pathways Success Center and Pine Ridge School;

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Madison Parish School System: Madison Parish Alternative Center;
Morehouse Parish School System: Fresh Start Alternative School Program;
Orleans Parish School System: Alternative Learning Institute;
Ouachita Parish School System: Ouachita Parish Alternative School Program;
Plaquemines Parish School System: Plaquemines Parish Learning Center;
Pointe Coupee Parish School System: Pointe Coupee Parish Virtual Alternative Program;
Red River Parish School System: Springville Educational Center;
Richland Parish School System: Richland Career Center at Archibald;
Sabine Parish School System: Sabine Career Academy;
St. Bernard Parish School System: Goals Program of Chalmette High School and In-House GED Program;
St. Charles Parish School System: Court School, Eual J. Landry Senior Alternative Programs (ADAPT), and Eual J. Landry Alternative Center (PIP);
St. Helena Parish School System: St. Helena Alternative Recovery Program;
St. James Parish School System: Alternative Center for grades 7-12 and Lutcher Elementary School;
St. John the Baptist Parish School System: St. John Alternative Program;
St. Landry Parish School System: St. Landry Accelerated Transition Site/SLATS, St. Landry Alternative Program, and Center for Academic Programs/CAPS;
St. Martin Parish School System: Juvenile Continuing Education Program (JCEP);
St. Mary Parish School System: St. Mary Parish Alternative Program;
St. Tammany Parish School System: Operation Jumpstart West Alternative Program and Operation Jumpstart East Alternative Program;
Tensas Parish School System: Tensas Alternative Program;
Terrebonne Parish School System: East Street Alternative Program, Juvenile Detention Center Alternative Program, and SEC Day Treatment Program;
Union Parish School System: Union Parish Junior High School;
Vermilion Parish School System: Vermilion Parish Alternative Program – VAP, Vermilion Parish Alternative Program – SEAP, and Vermilion Parish Alternative Program Elementary SEAP and REAP;

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Vernon Parish School System: Vernon Parish Optional Program;
Washington Parish School System: Eastside Alternative Program and Westside Alternative Program;
Webster Parish School System: Webster Parish Expulsion Center;
West Baton Rouge Parish School System: Brusly Elementary School, Brusly High School, Chamberlin Elementary School, Chon Elementary School, Devall Middle School, Lukeville Upper Elementary School, Port Allen Elementary School, and Port Allen High School;
West Carroll Parish School System: West Carroll Alternative Program;
West Feliciana Parish School System: West Feliciana Parish Alternative Program;
Winn Parish School System: Atlanta High School, Calvin High School, Dodson High School, and Winnfield High School;
City of Bogalusa School District: Northside Family and Parent Resource Center;
Zachary Community School District: Zachary High School and Trinity Christian Academy;
City of Baker School District: Baker Alternative Learning Center; and
Central Community School District: Central Community School System: Discipline Center.

- 5.1.11 On motion of Dr. Miranti, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following 2014-2015 list of alternative education schools, as amended and presented by the LDE:

Bossier Parish School System: Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter and Detention Center;
Caddo Parish School System: Alexander Learning Center, Academic Recovery Ombudsman, Community Ombudsman, and Shreveport Job Corps Opportunity Center;
Concordia Parish School System: Concordia Education Center;
East Baton Rouge Parish School System: Northdale Superintendent's Academy, EBR Readiness Superintendent Academy, Arlington Preparatory Academy, Greenville Superintendent's Academy, Beechwood Superintendent Academy, Christa McAuliffe Superintendent Academy, and Eden Park Superintendent Academy.
East Feliciana Parish School System: East Feliciana Parish Enrichment Academy;
Jefferson Parish School System: Martyn Alternative School and Jefferson Chamber Foundation Academy;

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Lafayette Parish School System: N.P. Moss Preparatory Academy;
Lafourche Parish School System: Lafourche Parish Juvenile Justice Facility;
Madison Parish School System: Christian Acres Alternative School;
Morehouse Parish School System: Morehouse Alternative School;
Natchitoches Parish School System: Lakeview Annex and Frankie Ray Jackson, Sr., Technical Center;
Orleans Parish School System: Youth Study Center;
Rapides Parish School System: Rapides Alternative Learning Facility;
Red River Parish School System: Ware Youth Center;
St. Bernard Parish School System: C.F. Rowley Alternative School;
Tangipahoa Parish School System: Tangipahoa Alternative Solutions Program;
City of Monroe School District: Sherrouse School;
Howard School: Howard School;
The MAX Charter School: Max Charter Alternative Education;
RSD-Educators for Quality Alternatives: The NET Charter High School;
Jefferson Chamber Foundation Academy: JCFA-East;
Office of Juvenile Justice: Riverside Alternative High School;
Office of Juvenile Justice: Southside Alternative High School;
RSD - Crescent Leadership Academy: Crescent Leadership Academy;
RSD - ReNEW: ReNEW Accelerated High School #1; and
RSD - ReNEW: ReNEW Accelerated High School #2.

- 5.1.12 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the minutes of the Special Education Advisory Panel meeting held September 24, 2014.
- 5.1.13 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the minutes of the Act 240 Subcommittee meeting held September 25, 2014.
- 5.1.14 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the appointment of Ms. Kathy Noel to serve as the LEA Representative on the Accountability Commission.
- 5.1.15 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board received the nominees appointed by the State Superintendent of Education as presented, and approved the following BESE appointments to the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council:

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- Two representatives of local education agencies operating publicly funded early childhood programs other than Head Start: Ms. Bonnie Buckelew and Ms. Cindy Rushing;
- Two representatives of approved nonpublic schools with publicly-funded early childhood care and education programs: Ms. Paula Polito and Ms. Carynn Wiggins;
- One representative of a Louisiana business or community organization: Dr. John Warner Smith;
- One parent of a child currently enrolled in a publicly-funded early learning center or prekindergarten program: Ms. Jodi Loar; and
- One representative of a Head Start program operated by a local education agency: Ms. Contessa Brooks.

Further, the Board directed the LDE to research the issue to determine if there is any question of the two representatives of approved nonpublic schools with publicly-funded early childhood care and education programs meeting the qualification criteria.

A Roll Call Vote was taken.

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

Nays: Dr. Beebe and Ms. Hill.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: None.

The motion passed.

- 5.1.16 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 131, *Alternative Education Schools/Programs Standards*: §2101. Program Requirements; §2103. Reporting Requirements; §2105. Requirements for Educational Management Organizations; and §2107. Definitions, as required by Act 530 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.

5.1.17 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 138, *Jump Start Program*: §501. General Provisions, and §503. Training Provider Selection Process, and receive the corresponding 2014 Request for Applications.

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

5.2.1 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the report regarding the Microsoft IT Academy and the Microsoft Certification Program.

5.2.2 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the quarterly report from the LDE Director of Internal Audit.

5.2.3 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, 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. Boffy, 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. Boffy, the Board received the report on in-state travel for Board members to be reimbursed from the BESE budget.

5.2.6 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the quarterly report of expenditures and budget balances of 8(g) projects for FY 2013-2014.

5.2.7 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the Bureau of Internal Audit (BIA): LDE Risk Assessment and BIA Annual Audit Plan - FY 2014-2015.

5.2.8 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the minutes of the BESE Retreat held on August 11, 2014.

5.2.9 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the proposed budget revision for the Early Childhood Care and Education Network Expansion 8(g) Grant (S075).

5.2.10 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved a total allocation of \$24,500,000 for the FY 2015-2016 8(g) program and budget, which includes the following:

- a. \$651,047 for management and oversight; and
- b. \$150,000 for review, evaluation, and assessments.

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Mr. Lee provided the Board with a handout containing revised 8(g) program allocations, by category.

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Mr. Lee offered a motion, seconded by Dr. Beebe, to revise the 8(g) program allocation amount of \$23,698,953 by funding category, as follows:

- a. \$11,349,126 for block allocation;
- b. \$12,349,126 for statewide;
- c. \$0 for local and statewide competitive; and
- d. \$0 for uncategorized/special projects.

Further, that the Board approve the following proposed priority areas for FY 2015-2016:

- High Quality Early Childhood Education,
- College and Career Readiness,
- Teacher and Leadership Development, and
- Technology and Innovation.

In addition, that the Board authorize BESE staff to establish guidelines and procedures for the implementation of the approved program and budget.

Lengthy discussion followed.

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Public comments were received on the following agenda item:

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Agenda Item 4.2., "Consideration of 8(g) funding cycle activities – Building the 8(g) Budget for FY 2015-2016:"

Support: None.

Oppose: Ms. Deborah Meaux, Louisiana Association of Educators; and Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association, who provided a handout regarding constitutional funding regulations.

Information Only/Other: None

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Ms. Boffy offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradford, to revise the 8(g) program allocation amount of \$23,698,953 by funding category, as follows:

- a. \$10,997,977 for block allocation;
- b. \$10,997,977 for statewide;
- c. \$1,703,000 for local and statewide competitive, with a limit placed on the size of those grants so that more areas of the state could participate; and
- d. \$0 for uncategorized/special projects.

Further, that the Board approve the following proposed priority areas for FY 2015-2016:

- High Quality Early Childhood Education,
- College and Career Readiness,
- Teacher and Leadership Development, and
- Technology and Innovation.

In addition, that the Board authorize BESE staff to establish guidelines and procedures for the implementation of the approved program and budget.

Lengthy discussion followed.

Mr. Roemer asked for a Roll Call Vote on the motion offered by Ms. Boffy, and seconded by Ms. Bradford.

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A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yeas: Ms. Bradford and Mr. Guillot.

Nays: Dr. Beebe, Ms. Boffy, Mr. Garvey, Ms. Hill, Mr. Lee, Dr. Miranti, Ms. Orange Jones, and Ms. Smith.

Abstentions: None

Absences: None.

As presiding officer, Mr. Roemer exercised his right to not vote.

The motion failed.

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At this point in the meeting, Ms. Tripeaux read into the record the following corrected figures:

Management and Oversight - \$651,047;
Block - \$11,349,476; and
Statewide - \$12,349,476.

Mr. Lee's motion was amended accordingly.

Mr. Roemer asked for a Roll Call Vote on the motion offered by Mr. Lee, and seconded by Dr. Beebe.

5.2.11 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Dr. Beebe, the Board approved the revised 8(g) program allocation amount of \$23,698,953 by funding category, as follows:

- a. \$11,349,476 for block allocation;
- b. \$12,349,476 for statewide;
- c. \$0 for local and statewide competitive; and
- d. \$0 for uncategorized/special projects.

Further, the Board approved the following proposed priority areas for FY 2015-2016:

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- High Quality Early Childhood Education,
- College and Career Readiness,
- Teacher and Leadership Development, and
- Technology and Innovation.

In addition, the Board authorized BESE staff to establish guidelines and procedures for the implementation of the approved program and budget.

A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yeas: Dr. Beebe, Ms. Hill, Mr. Lee, Dr. Miranti, Ms. Smith, and Mr. Roemer.

Nays: Ms. Boffy, Ms. Bradford, Mr. Garvey, Mr. Guillot, and Ms. Orange Jones.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: None.

The motion passed.

5.2.12 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the 8(g) Annual Report for FY 2013-2014.

5.2.13 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the report from Education Finance staff concerning the Special School District budget.

Student Centered Goals - Competitive

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

Allocation:	LA Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Program
Amount:	\$16,544,000
Funding Period:	10/01/2014 - 09/30/2015
Source of Funds:	Federal

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Purpose: The purpose of the Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Program grant is to increase literacy achievement for all students, birth-grade 12. Funds will be used to create sustainable systems that support implementation of CCSS and focus on:

1. School Leader and Teacher Learning Targets,
2. Assessment and Curriculum,
3. School and Teacher Collaboration,
4. Compass Observation and Feedback,
5. Pathways to College and Career, and
6. Aligning Resources.

Basis of Allocation: This is a supplement to the initial allocation of \$250,000 awarded to each LEA in August. Allocations are based on the number of students and a base allocation to implement program components. The student allocation is \$150/pupil for Cohort 1 and \$200/pupil for Cohort 2. The base allocation is \$480,000 for Cohort 1 districts; \$575,800 for Cohort 2 districts; and \$528,000 for the districts in both Cohort 1 and Cohort 2.

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

Allocation:	Jump Starting Jump Start Grants
Amount:	\$645,000
Funding Period:	10/15/2014 - 06/30/2015
Source of Funds:	IAT - 8(g)

Purpose: The Jump Starting Jump Start Grants provide student access statewide to career counseling services that enable an engaged adult to interact with high school students to help determine types of traditional or non-traditional college and career training pathways that might work best for the students, and/or workplace experiences where schools and industry can work together to maximize the number of authentic workplace experiences, ranging from industry speakers to workplace visits to apprenticeships and internships, available to Louisiana students.

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Basis of Allocation: Allocations were based on: (1) quality of planned expenditures; (2) level of multi-district and charter school collaboration; (3) documented industry support, including the requirement that a minimum of four industry, economic development, and/or workforce development stakeholders participate in the development of the grant application; (4) documented school principal support; and (5) potential sustainability, including but not limited to: (a) commitment of matching funding; (b) involvement of business, economic development, and workforce development stakeholders; and (c) school principal commitment.

School and District Support - Competitive

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

Allocation:	High Cost Services Grant
Amount:	\$4,000,000
Funding Period:	09/01/2014 - 06/30/2015
Source of Funds:	State
Amount:	\$3,999,998
Funding Period:	09/01/2014 - 09/30/2015
Source of Funds:	Federal

Purpose: High Cost Services Grant refers to IDEA State Set Aside funds and MFP funds made available to provide additional supports and services to LEAs serving students with high needs. The provision for states to implement High Cost grants 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 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: SCR 55, the MFP Resolution for FY 2014-2015, outlines the method for calculating and allocating the High Cost Services Grant based on four tiers. The cost for qualifying students must exceed three times the average state per pupil expenditure. Applications will be funded based on the needs of the student, the cost to educate the student, the impact of the costs of services on the budget of the school system or school where the student is enrolled, and the availability of funds.

School and District Innovations - Other

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

Allocation: Teacher Incentive Fund
Amount: \$3,165,662.00
Funding Period: 10/01/2014 - 09/30/2015
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: The LA Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) supports efforts to develop and implement performance-based teacher and principal compensation systems in high-need schools. The goals include: increasing the percent of effective educators, building the district capacity to implement and sustain a performance-based compensation system for teachers and principals, and increasing student achievement in the six partnering LEAs. These goals will be achieved through the implementation of TAP™: The System for Teacher and Student Advancement in Ascension, Desoto, Pointe Coupee, St. Mary, Tangipahoa, and West Baton Rouge Parishes.

Basis of Allocation: Funds are distributed to participating LEAs to be used as follows: salary for district/school personnel (i.e., master teachers); salary addendums for additional leadership roles and responsibilities of master/mentor teachers; differentiated effectiveness incentive pay stipends for career teachers, master/mentor teachers, assistant principals, and principals; hard-to-staff recruitment incentives; and the TAP online training portal.

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

Allocation: New School Development
Amount: \$15,000.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2015
Source of Funds: IAT - 8(g)

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

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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 8(g) New Schools Incubation funds. Awardees will use funds for planning, development, and training activities related to incubating new schools.

School and District Support - Other

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

Allocation: JAG AIM High! Middle School Pilot Project
Amount: \$0.00
Funding Period: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2015
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 the students' 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 one site for the FY 2014-2015 JAG AIM High! Middle School Programs for the period of July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015.

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

Allocation: State Level Funding
Amount: \$1,500,000.00
Funding Period: 10/15/2014 - 09/30/2015
Source of Funds: Federal
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Purpose: The LDE administers programs that provide direct services to disabled and at-risk students in state-operated programs. These programs are administered through the Special School District and Louisiana Schools for the Deaf and the Visually Impaired. Services are provided to students in a combination of residential and day programs. The global basis of this request may include activities which support the following initiatives: assisting in providing direct services to students in state-operated programs by complying with state and federal mandates; ensuring access to services and community integration; addressing the needs of personnel shortages; expanding technology through improving and supporting the use of classroom technology; supporting the use of assistive technology and universal design for learning to maximize access to the general education curriculum; providing a continuum of services and oversight with regard to the transition of students to postsecondary activities; and supporting the provision of alternative programs for students removed for disciplinary actions.

Basis of Allocation: The basis of this allocation is to support students with disabilities through targeted grant activities, authorized pursuant to 34 CFR 300.370(c) (use of SEA allocations). The BESE Special Schools serve a disproportionately high number of high-need students with disabilities. This student population requires more intense academic supports and services. Therefore, the Division of NCLB and IDEA Support has identified the population of students served by these special schools as a priority to support improved educational services in these facilities.

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

Allocation:	Developing Skills Checklist Assessment Kits
Amount:	\$3,000.00
Funding Period:	07/01/2014 - 06/30/2015
Source of Funds:	IAT

Purpose: The funds will be used to purchase the Developing Skills Checklist, the kindergarten screening assessment that is required by both BESE policy and statute. These funds had previously been provided to other LEAs as they initiated the Developing Skills Checklist and their kindergarten screen. This year is the initial year for these charters to participate in the screening, and to align with previous funding, these allocations are being made.

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Basis of Allocation: Activities include developing policies and procedures that affect charter schools statewide and working with local school districts to help build their capacity to become quality charter authorizers. The funds are an administrative set aside, which LDE allocates to charter schools, depending upon the given needs and/or specific conditions in a fiscal year.

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Public comments were received on the following agenda item:

Agenda Item 5.3., "Consideration of LDE contracts and leases of \$50,000 and over:"

Support: None.

Oppose: Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association, who provided a handout entitled "Cristo Rey considers starting school in Baton Rouge."

Information Only/Other: None

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Dr. Beebe offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Hill, to defer consideration of the LDE contract with ACE Scholarships Louisiana in the amount of \$499,750.00.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Roemer asked for a Roll Call Vote on the motion offered by Dr. Beebe, and seconded by Ms. Hill.

A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yeas: Dr. Beebe and Ms. Hill.

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Nays: Ms. Boffy, Ms. Bradford, Mr. Garvey, Mr. Guillot, Mr. Lee, Dr. Miranti, Ms. Smith, and Mr. Roemer.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: Ms. Orange Jones.

The motion failed.

5.2.22 On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the following LDE contract:

Contractor: ACE Scholarships Louisiana
Contract Period: 10/20/2014 - 6/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$499,750.00
Fund: State
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This contractor will establish a school tuition organization and award student scholarships through the Tuition Donation Rebate Program.

A Roll Call Vote was taken:

Yeas: Ms. Boffy, Ms. Bradford, Mr. Garvey, Mr. Guillot, Mr. Lee, Dr. Miranti, Ms. Smith, and Mr. Roemer.

Nays: Dr. Beebe and Ms. Hill.

Abstentions: None.

Absences: Ms. Orange Jones.

The motion passed.

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

Contractor: New Schools for Baton Rouge
Contract Period: 10/20/2014 - 6/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$500,000.00

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Fund: State
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This contractor will establish a school tuition organization and award student scholarships through the Tuition Donation Rebate Program.

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

Contractor: New Schools for Baton Rouge
Contract Period: 10/20/2014 - 6/30/2016
Contract Amount: \$1,250,000.00
Fund: State
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This contractor will support the launch of two new high-quality nonpublic schools. These two schools will provide scholarship opportunities to students from low-income families residing in the Greater Baton Rouge region through the Louisiana Scholarship Program.

5.2.25 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the report from the LDE Finance staff concerning Type 2 charter school budgets and expenditure reports, including irregularities and concerns.

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Public comments were received on the following agenda item:

Agenda Item 5.3., "Consideration of Fiscal dialogues as a result of the Fiscal Risk Assessment Processes:"

Support: None.

Oppose: None.

Information Only/Other: Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association, who provided a handout entitled "Union Parish Tax Increase Impact."

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5.2.26 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board received the report from the LDE Finance staff concerning the Fiscal Dialogues as a result of the Fiscal Risk Assessment Processes.

5.2.27 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the report from the LDE Finance staff concerning Type 5 Charter school budgets and expenditure reports, including irregularities and concerns.

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

Contractor: Byron J. Stewart & Associates, APC
Architects and Planners
Contract Period: 01/15/2014 - 01/15/2017
Previous Amount: \$296,940.00
Amended Amount: \$5,280.00
Contract Amount: \$302,220.00
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for additional services for a land topographical survey at McDonogh #32 Elementary School.

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

Contractor: Byron J. Stewart & Associates, APC
Architects and Planners
Contract Period: 03/07/2014 - 03/07/2017
Previous Amount: \$105,034.00
Amended Amount: \$10,010.00
Contract Amount: \$115,044.00
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for the additional services for a land topographical survey at Rosenwald Elementary School.

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

Contractor: Hamilton Anderson Associates
Contract Period: 12/05/2012 - 12/05/2015
Previous Amount: \$70,601.00
Amended Amount: \$16,420.80
Contract Amount: \$87,021.80
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for additional services for a topographical and boundary survey and Phase I environmental testing for Thurgood Marshall School refurbishment.

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

Contractor: Infinity Engineering Consultants, LLC
Contract Period: 10/17/2012 - 10/17/2015
Previous Amount: \$54,922.00
Amended Amount: \$9,300.35
Contract Amount: \$64,222.35
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services based on the final construction contract amount less the value of change orders attributable to the designer's errors or omissions for HVAC repairs at Walter L. Cohen High School.

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

Contractor: Professional Service Industries, Inc.
Contract Period: 03/28/2013 - 03/28/2015
Previous Amount: \$30,581.00
Amended Amount: \$34,949.00
Contract Amount: \$65,530.00
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

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Description of Service: This amendment provides for additional services for sampling and soil excavation documentation and confirmatory soil sampling for Avery Alexander School.

- 5.2.33 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: SCNZ Architects, LLC
Contract Period: 01/15/2014 - 01/15/2017
Previous Amount: \$232,753.00
Amended Amount: \$11,110.00
Contract Amount: \$243,863.00
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for additional services for a geotechnical investigation, a site survey, and an environmental Phase I survey for Gaudet Elementary School.

- 5.2.34 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: SCNZ Architects, LLC
Contract Period: 01/15/2014 - 01/15/2017
Previous Amount: \$213,695.00
Amended Amount: \$1,716.00
Contract Amount: \$215,411.00
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for the additional service for asbestos and lead testing for the Fischer Elementary School refurbishment.

- 5.2.35 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the following RSD contract amendment:

Contractor: SCNZ Architects, LLC
Contract Period: 01/15/2014 - 01/15/2017
Previous Amount: \$166,241.00

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Amended Amount: \$1,716.00
Contract Amount: \$167,957.00
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for the additional service for asbestos and lead testing for the Johnson Elementary School refurbishment.

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

Contractor: SCNZ Architects, LLC
Contract Period: 01/15/2014 - 01/15/2017
Previous Amount: \$113,614.00
Amended Amount: \$15,152.50
Contract Amount: \$128,766.50
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment provides for the additional services for a boundary/topography survey of the dumpster pads for kitchen improvements at A.D. Crossman Elementary School, Gentilly Terrace Elementary School, and Benjamin Banneker Elementary School. It also provides for the additional services for a limited asbestos survey and lead-based paint inspection for kitchen improvements at A.D. Crossman Elementary School, Gentilly Terrace Elementary School, and Benjamin Banneker Elementary School. It provides for the additional services for a geotechnical investigation for kitchen improvements at McDonogh 28 Elementary School, A.D. Crossman Elementary School, Albert Wicker Elementary School, Gentilly Terrace Elementary School, and Benjamin Banneker Elementary School.

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

Contractor: VergesRome Architects, APAC
Contract Period: 09/16/2010 - 09/16/2015
Previous Amount: \$984,759.40
Amended Amount: \$172,568.00
Contract Amount: \$1,157,327.40

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Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services for mothballing of closed schools - safe and secure at Louis D. Armstrong Elementary School, Andrew J. Bell Junior High School, Oretha C. Haley Elementary School, Lorraine Hansberry Elementary School, Morris F.X. Jeff Elementary School, Valena C. Jones Elementary School, George Mondy Elementary School, John A. Shaw Elementary School, Israel M. Augustine Middle School, and for the Andrew J. Bell School roof replacement based on the AFC for each of the projects using the revised renovation factor of 1.25.

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

Contractor: Waggonner & Ball Architects, APC
Contract Period: 03/23/2009 - 03/23/2015
Previous Amount: \$3,160,581.61
Amended Amount: \$56,146.80
Contract Amount: \$3,216,728.41
Fund: IAT - FEMA
Competitive Process: Competitive

Description of Service: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services based on the final construction contract amount less the value of any change orders attributable to the designer's errors or omissions for the renovation to Charles J. Colton School.

5.2.39 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received an update on RSD Capital Projects from July and August 2014, including: RSD-OPSB Phase 1 Monthly Summaries for July and August 2014; RSD-OPSB Phase 2 Monthly Summaries for July and August 2014; Superintendents' Reports for July and August 2014; BESE/RSD Open Contracts as of August 6, 2014, and September 9, 2014; OPSB Open Contracts as of August 6, 2014, and September 9, 2014; Bid Tabulations for July and August 2014; and the 2nd Quarter Report for 2014.

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Public comments were received on the following agenda item:

Agenda Item 5.3., “Consideration of an update report on meetings and the community engagement process regarding the future use and control of the John McDonogh facility (Referred per Board action August 2014):”

Support: Ms. Brenda B. Square, John McDonogh Steering Committee, who provided a handout entitled “Orleans Parish School Board (OPSB) John McDonogh Senior High School Ad Hoc Committee Report to the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) – October 14, 2014”; information from change.org; a handout entitled “John McDonogh High School Site Community Engagement Report”; a list of individuals; and Ms. Ann Marie Coviello, John McDonogh Steering Committee.

Oppose: None.

Information Only/Other: Mr. Nolan Marshall, Jr., President of the Orleans Parish School Board, who provided a handout entitled “Orleans Parish School Board Resolution No. 31-14”; Representative Ira Thomas and Representative Cynthia Cade, Orleans Parish School Board; Mr. Willie Zanders, concerned citizen, who provided a letter dated October 11, 2014, from Mr. Jim Randels; an official request for public records dated October 15, 2014; information dated June 13, 2011, regarding “Ethical/Possible Illegal Activity”; and a document entitled “Orleans Parish School Board v. Pastorek”; Ms. Elizabeth K. Jeffers, concerned citizen, who provided a letter dated October 5, 2014, from Mr. Lou Bernieri, Phillips Academy in Andover, MA; Mr. Walter Goodwin, Ms. Shawon Bernard, Ms. Angelina Elder, Ms. Dyan French Cole, and Ms. Loretta Brown, concerned citizens; Mr. Kwame Smith, John McDonogh Steering Committee; Mr. Frank Buckley, C-6, who provided information dated June 23, 2011, regarding “John Mac on Esplanade”; an article entitled “1st full-time culinary arts program for high school students will be offered,” information from the Louisiana State Licensing Board for

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Contractors database, and an article dated June 26, 2014, entitled “New Orleans school building plan \$330 million in the hole”; Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association; and Ms. Brenda Square, John McDonogh Senior High School Ad Hoc Committee.

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Mr. Patrick Dobard, Superintendent of the Recovery School District, represented the LDE.

Ms. Orange Jones requested that the LDE or RSD provide Board members with the written report in response to Item A of the “John McDonogh Senior High School Ad Hoc Committee Report to the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE)” dated October 14, 2014, that gave an analysis of the costs, enrollment, etc. In addition, she requested a report using actual end-of-year data by OPSB direct-run schools, RSD direct-run schools, and charter schools, to determine the overall trends in enrollment.

- 5.2.40 On motion of Dr. Miranti, seconded by Ms. Orange Jones, the Board received an update report on meetings and the community engagement process regarding the future use and control of the John McDonogh facility.
- 5.2.41 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board directed the BESE staff to follow up with the Attorney General’s office in order to expedite an opinion, previously requested at the August 2014 Board meeting, regarding the return of schools from the Recovery School District to the school district of record.
- 5.2.42 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board:
 - a. ratified the BESE president's approval of the BESE FY 2015-2016 Budget Request; and
 - b. authorized BESE staff to submit the Budget Request to the Office of Planning and Budget by the required October 15, 2014, deadline.

5.2.43 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the following FY 2014-2015 BESE 8(g) evaluator contracts:

BLOCK EVALUATORS FY 15									
Evaluator	pjt	eval servs	travel	phase I total		eval servs	travel	phase II total	contract max
Dr. Bob Cage	14	\$7,000	\$2,450	\$9,450		\$2,800	\$700	\$3,500	\$12,950
Josephine Clement	14	\$7,000	\$2,450	\$9,450		\$2,800	\$700	\$3,500	\$12,950
Virginia Gough	14	\$7,000	\$2,450	\$9,450		\$2,800	\$700	\$3,500	\$12,950
Julia Hildebrand	14	\$7,000	\$2,450	\$9,450		\$2,800	\$700	\$3,500	\$12,950
Marilyn Siebert	14	\$7,000	\$2,450	\$9,450		\$2,800	\$700	\$3,500	\$12,950
Anna Bernard	6	\$3,000	\$1,050	\$4,050		\$1,200	\$300	\$1,500	\$5,550
Dr. William Miller	6	\$3,000	\$1,050	\$4,050		\$1,200	\$300	\$1,500	\$5,550
STATEWIDE EVALUATORS									
Anna Bernard	6	\$8,100	\$900	\$9,000		\$1,500	\$450	\$1,950	\$10,950
Dr. William Miller	5	\$6,750	\$750	\$7,500		\$1,250	\$375	\$1,625	\$9,125
COMPETITIVE EVALUATORS									
Anna Bernard	3	\$1,500	\$525	\$2,025		\$600	\$150	\$750	\$2,775
Dr. William Miller	3	\$1,500	\$525	\$2,025		\$600	\$150	\$750	\$2,775
Totals	99	\$58,850	\$17,050	\$75,900		\$20,350	\$5,225	\$25,575	\$101,475
ALTERNATE(S)									
Susan Morrow									
Bill Perry									
Lyman Wilson									

5.2.44 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the BESE Annual Meeting Schedule for the 2016 calendar year.

5.2.45 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board:

- a. received the High School Cohort Graduation Report, and
- b. authorized the LDE to submit the report to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education.

5.2.46 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the update report regarding the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Task Force.

5.2.47 On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board received the report regarding the LDE process for responding to public records requests.

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On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board deleted from the Administration and Finance Committee report the motion to direct the State Superintendent to provide in January 2015 a summary report regarding the total number of public records requests the LDE received and answered in 2014.

Dr. Beebe was recorded as being opposed to the motion.

Agenda **Educator Effectiveness Committee** (Schedule 4)
Item 5.3.

5.3.1 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until the Educator Effectiveness Committee meeting on December 2, 2014: "Consideration of a report on the teacher exit interview system."

5.3.2 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board directed the LDE to address the annual report pertaining to the teacher exit interview system at December Educator Effectiveness Committee meetings.

5.3.3 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following teacher education program, as recommended by the LDE:

Loyola University New Orleans: Baccalaureate Degree Program in Secondary Latin Education Grades 6-12.

5.3.4 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board:
a. approved the State Teacher and Principal of the Year selection process; and
b. approved the provision of monetary awards provided to the statewide honorees.

- 5.3.5 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board granted the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to the credentials of Ms. Theresa Hawkins.
- 5.3.6 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board granted the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to the credentials of Ms. Cella Singleton.
- 5.3.7 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board granted the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to the credentials of Ms. Sarina Lirette.
- 5.3.8 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board revoked the Louisiana Level 1 teaching certificate, #496500, issued to Mr. Corey Allen.
- 5.3.9 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board revoked the Louisiana Level 1 teaching certificate, #524516, issued to Mr. Daniel Gentry.
- 5.3.10 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board revoked the Louisiana Level 1 teaching certificate, #540840, issued to Ms. Stephanie Weed.
- 5.3.11 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board revoked the Louisiana Type B teaching certificate, #087196, issued to Mr. Lester Jenkins.
- 5.3.12 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board revoked the Louisiana Out-of-State principal certificate, #473625, issued to Ms. Judith Williams.
- 5.3.13 On motion of Ms. Boffy, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board revoked the Louisiana Level 3 teaching certificate, #452466, issued to Mr. Brian Toldson.

Agenda School Innovation and Turnaround Committee (Schedule 5)
Item 5.4.

5.4.1 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the request for a material amendment to the charter governing Lycee Francais de la Nouvelle-Orleans, operated by LFNO, Inc., to remove 9th grade from the current contract in order to delay the opening of 9th grade until future years, as recommended by the LDE.

5.4.2 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board deferred until December 2014: "Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Innovators in Milestones for the 2014-2015 school year."

5.4.3 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board denied the Type 2 charter school application from Greater Grace Charter Academy for St. James Parish, as recommended by the LDE.

5.4.4 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board deleted from the agenda: "Consideration of the Type 2 Charter Application submitted by Grambling High Foundation in Lincoln Parish."

5.4.5 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board deferred consideration of the Type 2 charter school application submitted by Louisiana Charter Foundation for Rapides and Terrebonne Parishes until December 2014, as recommended by the LDE.

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Public comments were received on the following agenda item:

Agenda Item 2.5., "Consideration of Type 2 Charter Applications in response to the 2014 Request for Applications as recommended by the State Superintendent of Education:"

Support: None.

Oppose: None.

Information Only/Other: Mr. Scott Richard, Louisiana School Boards Association.

- 5.4.6 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Guillot, the Board:
- deferred until December 2014 consideration of the Type 2 charter school application submitted by the Louisiana Delta Empowerment Group, and
 - directed the State Superintendent of Education to provide a report to the Board at the December 2014 meeting regarding allegations concerning the Louisiana Delta Empowerment Group charter application.
- 5.4.7 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board denied the Type 2 charter school application submitted by Kingdom Builders Community Development Corporation for Lafayette Parish, as recommended by the LDE.
- 5.4.8 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board denied the Type 2 charter school application submitted by Smothers Academy for Jefferson Parish, as recommended by the LDE.
- 5.4.9 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board deferred until the Committee of the Whole (RSD Matters Only) meeting on November 12, 2014: "Consideration of a report pertaining to the status of and recommendation for schools transferred to the RSD."
- 5.4.10 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board directed the LDE/RSD to provide an annual report pertaining to the status of and recommendation for schools transferred to the RSD at future 4th quarter Committee of the Whole (RSD Matters Only) meetings.
- 5.4.11 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board approved the request of the RSD to postpone the deadline for eligible schools to notify BESE of the intent to return to the Orleans Parish School Board from December 1, 2014, to January 5, 2015.

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Item 6.

Board Advisory Council Reports

Agenda
Item 6.1.

8(g) Advisory Council

(Schedule 6)

On motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received the minutes of the 8(g) Advisory Council meeting held September 23, 2014, and approved the tentative agenda for September 9, 2015.

Agenda Item 6.2. **Superintendents' Advisory Council** (Schedule 7)

On motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Bradford, the Board received the minutes of the Superintendents' Advisory Council meeting held September 18, 2014, and approved the tentative agenda for November 14, 2014.

Agenda Item 7. **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 2014-2015) for the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts. (Schedule 8)

Agenda Item 7.2. On motion of Mr. Guillot, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board:

- appointed Ms. Kimberly Tripeaux effective October 6, 2014, to serve as Interim Executive Director until the position of Executive Director is filled;
- directed the Board President to work out any required details; and
- deferred until December 2014: "Consideration of the appointment of the BESE Executive Director."

Agenda Item 8. **Items for Consideration**

Agenda Item 8.1. On motion of Ms. Bradford, seconded by Ms. Boffy, the Board:

- 1) received the report that addresses planning and response to public health emergencies, student attendance, and continued educational services;
- 2) approved, as a Declaration of Emergency, effective for a period of 120 days from adoption, or until finally adopted as a Rule, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §339. Emergency Planning and Procedures, and §1103. Compulsory Attendance;
- 3) approved, as a Declaration of Emergency, effective for a period of 120 days from adoption, or until finally adopted as a Rule, revisions to Bulletin 135, *Health and Safety*: §309. Communicable Disease Control;

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- 4) approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §339. Emergency Planning and Procedures, and §1103. Compulsory Attendance; and
- 5) approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 135, Health and Safety: §309. Communicable Disease Control. (Schedule 9)

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.