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Mission: "Academic Excellence through Quality Teaching"
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DAVID GRAY
Superintendent

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

July 28, 2022

A public meeting will be held as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, August 2, 2022

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: Morehouse Student Services Center
1607 Martin Luther King South
Bastrop, LA 71220

REGULAR MEETING


1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. A moment of silence for the following who have died recently:
 - Betty Johnson- Retired Teacher
 - Edna Sue Johnston Jordan Warren- Special Services
 - Linda Smith Dorsey – School Board Office Receptionist
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum
6. Approval of Agenda

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7. Recognitions: JAG
8. Superintendent's Announcements (Mr. David Gray)
9. Approval of Minutes - Regular School Board Meeting held on July 12, 2022.
10. Approval of monthly Travel Requests – Presented by Mr. Gray
11. Approval of monthly Bus Requests- Presented by Mr. Gray
12. To consider and take action with respect to adopting an ordinance providing for the continued levy within the Parish of Morehouse, State of Louisiana, of (i) a one-half of one percent (1/2%) sales and use tax and (ii) a one-half of one percent (1/2%) sales and use tax for school purposes, such taxes having been authorized at a special election held in the Parish on Saturday, November 13, 2021. (Presented by Mrs. Debbie Wilson)
13. To adopt the Morehouse Parish School Board 2022-2023 Revised School Year Calendar effective August 2, 2022. (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
 - ⬇ 11 month employee last day June 30, 2023
 - ⬇ June 19, 2023 Juneteenth Holiday
14. To authorize the Superintendent to advertise for bid on Cherry Ridge School with the minimum bids of the appraised value of \$56,000 and to grant the Superintendent the authority to execute all necessary documents. (Requested by Mr. David Gray, presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
15. To receive the Sales Tax Funds report for June 2022. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
16. To receive the General Fund report for June 2022. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
17. To receive the School Lunch Fund report for June 2022. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
18. Requesting a signed copy of the following contracts, Volkert Construction Management and TBA (Tim Brandon Architecture firm). (Requested by Ms. Adrin Williams)
19. Requesting a copy of the state fire marshal list of code violations for Morehouse. (Requested by Ms. Adrin Williams)
20. To give an annual report on East Morehouse Tax Fund. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
21. To receive and adopt the following amendment as a “**Second Reading**” to Policy C-7, Sports Injury Management and Concussions Act No. 113 paragraph 6 on page 2. (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
22. To receive and adopt policy **H-30**, page 155.H from Act No. 624, as a “**Second Reading**”, It essentially provides a process by which each high school is to provide an opportunity for each high school senior who is at least seventeen years of age to register to vote by using a school computer, etc. (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)

23. To receive and adopt new policy **H-3.7g** beginning with page **72.H-1** passed from **Act No. 472** as a **“Second Reading”**. The Policy would require that if the school does not provide child care on campus or off campus, then the administration of that school should adopt policy itself for assisting parenting students in identifying child care providers.(Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
24. To receive and adopt new policy **H-4.8** from **Act. No. 324**, Requirements for the removal of a student for “protective custody” by some court or law enforcement official, as a **“Second Reading”**. (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
25. To receive and adopt new policy **H-3.7h** from **Act. No. 562** as a **“Second Reading”**, which requires certain training for seizure disorder. It also requires school nurses and such school employees, such as school bus operators, to complete courses of instruction regarding treating students with seizure disorders developed by the Louisiana Department of Education. (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
26. To receive and adopt policy **C-8** from **Act. No. 385** as a **“Second Reading”**, requires certain employees to receive annual training for sudden cardiac arrest. The State Department of Education is required to have such a program on its website to access free of charge, effective August 1, 2022. (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
27. To receive and adopt an addition to policy **H-2.8** from **Act. No. 325** as a **“Second Reading”** adding a fourth paragraph that requires the principal of each school to adopt a check-out policy.(Presented by Mr. David Gray)
28. To receive and adopt amendment to policies **F-2, Equal Employment Opportunity and H-1, Equal Educational Opportunities** from **Act. No. 529**, to add that statutory prohibition of not discriminating based upon natural, protective or cultural hairstyle, as a **“Second Reading”**. (Presented by Mrs. Teresa Merritt and Mr. Ralph Davenport)
29. To receive and adopt an addition to **section H**, as policy **H-3.7i** from **Act. No. 315** as a **“Second Reading”**, It deals with the requirement to have a secure location in each classroom where auto-injectable epinephrine is stored if a student has a condition that puts him or her at risk of anaphylaxis. It is also required each school to place this policy in the student handbook and post it on its website. (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
30. To receive and adopt amendment to policy **F-10.4** on page **66.F** to include “special circumstances” as grounds for sick leave, from **Act No. 648**, as a **“Second Reading”**. (Presented by Mrs. Teresa Merritt)
31. To receive and adopt new policy **E-1.7b** to be inserted as page **12.E-1** as a **“Second Reading”**. This is from **Act. No. 485**, It requires that each “patriotic organization “ that has a youth group listed as a “patriotic society” in Title 36 of the United States Code can use a public school building for student participation and activities at times other than instructional time during the school day. (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
32. To receive and adopt the following revision requirements of **Act No. 204 & 424** to Policy **E-11, Purchasing & Bids and quotations** as a **“Second Reading”**. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)

33. To receive and adopt the following additions to current school board policy **G-15.13**, PARENTS' RIGHTS, with the additions beginning with section D as a "**Second Reading**". The requirements of **Act. No. 466** require that the entirety of policy **G-15.13** be posted on the school board's website in a "prominent location that is readily accessible from the main landing page of the website." The act also requires the same information to be distributed to parents during the first week of school each year when paperwork is sent home or any electronic means through which communication is routinely delivered to parents. (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
34. To receive and adopt the following Policy and **Act. 456** procedures for using cameras in Special Education Classrooms **G-16**, page **50.G**, as a "**Second Reading**". Please see the attachment at board members stations. (Presented by Dr. Dana Boockoff)
35. To receive and adopt the following Discipline Policy Review Committee's recommendation to the Morehouse Parish Discipline Policies:
 - To adopt as a "**Second Reading**" an additional revision to policy **H-3.5** as recommended by the discipline Policy Review Committee." (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
 - To adopt as a "**Second Reading**" a revised Student Usage Of Cell Phones, Electronic Devises, Games And Toys, policy **H-3.4c-2** as recommended by the Discipline Policy Review Committee. (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
36. To receive and adopt the amendment policy **H-15.1**, **Act. No. 697** Bullying (Policy Prohibiting Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying of Students by other Students) As a '**First Reading**', (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
37. To receive and adopt the addition to policy **E-1.7** Regulations Governing the use of School Facilities in Morehouse parish, **item 15**, *Any nonprofit organization which has utilized Bastrop High School and/or other school facilities for at least ten years during the summer months when school is not in session for the purpose of a day camp for youth shall be granted a 90% reduction in charges for use of school facilities for up to four days in the summer for the purpose of conducting a camp for youth. Permission for the use of any facility must be obtained from the principal of the school and approved by the Superintendent. As a "**First Reading**",* (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
38. To consider and take necessary action to create the position of Math Specialist at Bastrop High School. This would be an 11- month position. (Presented by Mrs. Marilyn Taylor)
39. To discuss and take the appropriate action to name the football field at Bastrop High School "Brad Bradshaw Field" in honor of Coach Brad Bradshaw. (Requested by Coach Korea Davis and community members, Presented by Coach Korea Davis and community members)
40. To present and updated repair list for schools and offices (Presented by Mr. Tony Roberts.)
41. Personnel Report (See Attachment)
42. Public Comment:
 - None for this meeting
43. **ADJOURNMENT**



David Gray, Superintendent
Morehouse Parish Schools

Pursuant to the requirements of LSA-R.S. 42:19, no matter may be discussed by the Morehouse Parish School Board unless it appears on the agenda published at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting unless a unanimous vote of the members of the school board votes to take up the matter.

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