



Board Briefs

A report of the Beauregard Parish School Board meeting

The Beauregard Parish School Board met Thursday, August 10, 2017, with David Vidrine, president, District 3C, Darrin Manuel, vice president, District 4A, Martha Jackson, District 1, Timothy Hudson, interim District 2, L.D. Spears, District 3B, Cassie Henry, District 3D, Wesley Taylor, District 3E, Ray Bowman, District 4B, Don Gray, District 5, and student representative Tabitha Deer present.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Timothy Cooley announced that four-day schools were successfully underway and school staff were preparing for the start of five-day schools. He announced that all positions had been filled and that all personnel will be attending "The Big Event" inservice Friday with a motivational speaker in the morning and breakout sessions planned for the afternoon. The theme of the event is: "Roots to Grow and Wings to Fly." He thanked everyone involved in planning and implementing the event.

He explained a handout concerning LEAP 360 – the Louisiana Comprehensive Assessment System being piloted this school year. LEAP 360 provides a diagnostic test, two interim assessments, and one summative test to help teachers more effectively evaluate how students are progressing in learning the curriculum on which they will be tested at the end of the school year.

The ACT test results have been released showing Beauregard with a score of 19.5, a three-tenths drop from last year. Administrators are currently evaluating the data and formulating plans to help increase the district's overall score.

Contracts: Superintendent Cooley announced Tammy Crain as Instructional Supervisor with a contract for August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2019; Joey Bartz as principal at SBHS with a contract for August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2019; and Megan Martin as SBHS Assistant Principal with a contract for August 10, 2017 – August 9, 2019.

The board approved the contract for Assistant Superintendent Marlin Ramsey.

Auditing Services: The board approved the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for audit purposes. This is a required document that is approved yearly.

EBHS Weight Room: The board considered a motion from the Building and Grounds committee, but passed a substitute motion by Don Gray which changed the site location, decreased the square footage requirements "not to exceed 3500 sq. feet," and deleted outside access to the restrooms to proceed with a schematic design based on the changes in the substitute motion.

Personnel Evaluation Plan: The board approved changes to the Personnel Evaluation Plan that included a one-sentence addition: "If a teacher receives a highly effective evaluation score for three consecutive years in Beauregard Parish, only one observation shall be required for the following school year."

Evaluation Plan: The board rejected a motion 5-4 to pilot a professionalism component to the Teacher Evaluation Plan. A second motion was offered but put on hold until clarifications can be addressed concerning the board policy about reconsidering a motion that has been voted down in the same calendar year.