

The Finance Committee of the Parish School Board of the Parish of West Carroll, State of Louisiana, met in a public meeting at its regular meeting place, the West Carroll Parish Media Auditorium, in Oak Grove, Louisiana, Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Todd Smith, Shane Ray, Laura Perkins

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Todd Smith, at 6:00 p.m.

Truman Smith gave the invocation.

Agenda Item # 1. To approve the agenda.

Shane Ray made a motion, seconded by Todd Smith, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Agenda Item # 2. To consider and make recommendations for the selection of contractors based on the quotes received for grounds keeping and maintenance projects.

- a. *Fiske Union Brush Cutting*
- b. *Goodwill Brush Cutting*
- c. *Epps Lawn Care*
- d. *Fiske Union Lawn Care*
- e. *Kilbourne Lawn Care*
- f. *Oak Grove Elementary Floor, Paint, Ceiling, and Lighting*
- g. *Forest High School Pavilion Project—Select Option and Contractor, and*
- h. *Forest High School Ag Building Washout Repair*

Committee recommended accepting the lowest quotes received and option 2 on the Forest Pavilion Project.

Agenda Item # 3. To consider an option to offer grounds keeping and maintenance contracts to the contractor offering the next lower quote if the selected contractor does not accept or does not provide verification of insurance within five business days of being notified.

Committee recommended accepting agenda item #3.

Agenda Item # 4. To consider an option to use sales tax to cover the following non-sales tax salaries during the 2024-2025 fiscal year:

- a. *Coordinator of Child Welfare and Attendance,*
- b. *School Social Worker*
- c. *School Nurse, and*
- d. *Two Teachers per Campus (to maintain a 20:1 ratio)*

Committee recommended against using sales tax to cover listed salaries.

Agenda Item # 5. To consider an option to obtain property insurance quotes from a new vendor.

Committee recommended accepting agenda item #5.

Agenda Item # 6. To consider an option to list Kilbourne High School property for surplus sale

- a. *School sign,*
- b. *Outside bleachers,*
- c. *Baseball/softball scoreboards*

Committee recommended broadly advertising the school sign and outside bleachers and locally advertising the scoreboards.

Agenda Item # 7. To consider an option to lease or sell the Goodwill School Campus.

Committee recommended tabling this discussion to gather lease information.

The finance committee meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.