

**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 6:45 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Johnny Smith, Charles Townsend, Todd Smith, Shane Ray, Laura Perkins, Cullen Kovac, and Truman Smith.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**The regular meeting of the West Carroll Parish School Board was called to order by President, Laura Perkins, at 6:45 p.m.**

**Agenda Item #1** To approve the agenda.

On the motion of Truman Smith, seconded by Todd Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #1. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #2** To approve the minutes of the March 4, 2024, Finance Committee Meeting.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Truman Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #2. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #3** To approve the minutes of the March 4, 2024, Regular Board Meeting.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Charles Townsend, **the Board approved agenda item #3. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #4** To receive the February 2024 monthly financial report, including budget-to-actual comparisons.

**Information provided by business manager, Angela Johnson.**

**Agenda Item #5** To receive an update on audit findings from the fiscal year ending on June 20, 2023.

**Information received. No action taken.**

**Agenda Item #6** To adopt a school calendar for the 2024-2025 school year.

Todd Smith made a motion, seconded by Johnny Smith, **to approve the hybrid calendar option.**

For the motion: Charles Townsend, Johnny Smith, Todd Smith

Against the motion: Laura Perkins, Truman Smith, Shane Ray, Cullen Kovac

**The motion failed.**

Shane Ray made a motion, seconded by Cullen Kovac, **to approve the 5-day calendar option.**

For the motion: Laura Perkins, Truman Smith, Shane Ray, Cullen Kovac

Against the motion: Charles Townsend, Johnny Smith, Todd Smith

**The motion to adopt the 5-day calendar option passed.**

**Agenda Item #7** To discuss options for restructuring of schools.

**Item discussed. No action taken.**

**Agenda Item #8** To approve a job description for the Coordinator of Child Welfare and Attendance.

On the motion of Johnny Smith, seconded by Truman Smith, **the board approved agenda item #8. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #9** To adopt updated policies as required by the Louisiana State Police for the district to continue conducting criminal background checks.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Johnny Smith, **the Board approved agenda Item #9. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #10** To approve an OGHS legislative appropriations signature resolution to assign signature rights for the Oak Grove High School project.

On the motion of Cullen Kovac, seconded by Truman Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #10. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #11** To approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee on the following matters of business:

- a. Regarding the selection of contractors based on the quotes received for grounds keeping and maintenance projects,
- b. Regarding the option to offer contracts to the contractor with the next lower quote if the selected contractor declines or does not provide verification of insurance within five business days of being notified,
- c. Regarding the option to use sales tax to cover specific non-sales tax salaries during the 2024-2025 fiscal year,
- d. Regarding the option to obtain property insurance quotes from a new vendor,
- e. Regarding the option to list Kilbourne High School property for surplus sale, and
- f. Regarding the option to lease or sell the Goodwill School Campus.

On the motion of Truman Smith, seconded by Cullen Kovac, **the Board approved accepting the Finance Committee recommendations for item #11. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #12** To receive the monthly maintenance report.

**Report received. No action taken.**

**Agenda Item #13** To receive the monthly personnel report.

**Report received. No action taken.**

On the motion of Cullen Kovac, seconded by Johnny Smith, **the meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.**

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**Laura Perkins, President**  
**West Carroll Parish School Board**

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**Christy Boyte, Secretary**  
**West Carroll Parish School Board**