

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, Monday, August 7, 2023, at 6:30 P.M.

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

Shane Ray gave the invocation.

The regular meeting of the West Carroll Parish School Board was called to order by President, Truman Smith, at 6:35 p.m.

Agenda Item #1 To approve the agenda.

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

Agenda Item #2 To approve the minutes of the July 10, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

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

Agenda Item #3 To observe a moment of silence in honor of Mike Gammill, former teacher and coach at Kilbourne High School and Oak Grove High School, former principal of Oak Grove High School, and former West Carroll Parish School Board member.

No action taken.

Agenda Item #4 To approve the provision of painted portraits and name-specific plaques from Kilbourne High School to the person identified or his/her next-of-kin.

On the motion of Shane Ray, seconded by Todd Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #4. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #5 To receive the June 2023 financial report, including budget-to-actual comparisons. Report received and discussed. No action taken.

Agenda Item #6 To reschedule the September Board meeting from Monday, September 11th to Thursday, September 14th.

On the motion of Laura Perkins, seconded by Todd Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #6. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #7 To approve a bid process to allow for the sale of a third bus that must be retired because it has reached the 25-year mark.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Johnny Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #7. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #8 To approve a bid process for the sale of surplus, disposed tires.

On the motion of Laura Perkins, seconded by Todd Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #8. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #9 To approve finance committee recommendations for property insurance to remain at \$25 million dollar coverage and to examine listed property.

On the motion of Laura Perkins, seconded by Johnny Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #9. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #10 To approve finance committee recommendations, that are currently in place, regarding the transfer of funds from Epps Elementary School to Forest High School and from Kilbourne High School to Oak Grove Elementary School and Oak Grove High School.

On the motion of Laura Perkins, seconded by Todd Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #10. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #11 To approve finance committee recommendations for the adjustment of coaching stipends.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Johnny Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #11. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #12 To approve the following policies to comply with 2023 legislative updates:

- a. EBBB–School and Student Safety–Defines *Imminent Risk* and establishes reporting guidelines,
- b. EDCB–Carpool and Bus Line Safety–Establishes a barrier and procedures for the drop-off and pick-up of students in grades PK-5,
- c. IDCJ–Continuous Learning–Requires the district to develop and post a continuous learning plan for extended school closures,
- d. JD–Attendance–Provides guidelines for documenting attendance of remote/hybrid instruction,
- e. JBD–Student Absences and Excuses–Provides for absences related to mental or behavioral health,
- f. JDA–Corporal Punishment–Requires prior parental consent for corporal punishment on a form provided by LDOE and prohibits corporal punishment for certain students,
- g. JGCD–Administration of Medication–Permits school nurses to maintain a supply of opioid antagonists and permits school nurses and those trained to administer medications to administer them in emergency situations, and
- h. BCAD–Remote Participation in School Board Meetings–Allows for remote participation in school board meetings by Board members for specified reasons,
- i. BCBD–Agenda Preparation and Dissemination–Allows ten (10) calendar days for third party agenda requests and includes guidance for the determination of acceptability by the Board President and Vice President,
- j. BCBI–Public Participation in School Board Meetings–Includes provisions for remote participation in school board meetings by persons with disabilities recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

On the motion of Shane Ray, seconded Laura Perkins, **the Board approved agenda item #12. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #13 To approve the West Carroll Parish Schools Administrative Handbook as required by the district audit findings for the 2022 fiscal year end.

On the motion of Laura Perkins, seconded by Shane Ray, **the Board “tabled” the approval of handbook. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #14 To receive the August personnel report.

Item discussed. No action taken.

On the motion of Shane Ray, seconded by Laura Perkins, **the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.**