

The West Carroll Parish Carroll School Board held an open meeting at its regular meeting place, the West Carroll Parish Media Auditorium, in Oak Grove, Louisiana, Thursday, January 6, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. with Doug Mitchell, North Delta Regional Planning and Development District, to discuss all potential Census redistricting maps for consideration by the board and stakeholders.

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, January 6, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James C. Burrell, Marilyn Haley, Tracey Rios, Julie Linson, Cullen Kovac, Todd Smith, and Shane Ray

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The regular meeting of the West Carroll Parish School Board was called to order by President Marilyn Haley at 6:30 p.m.

Marilyn Haley gave the Invocation

One agenda item was modified

Agenda Item #8 - To decide between a 5-member or 7-member redistricting plan for the West Carroll Parish School Board based on data generated by the 2020 United States Census.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Julie Linson, the Board approved to modify item #8 James C. Burrell and Cullen Kovac opposed. The motion passed.

Agenda Item #1 To nominate and elect the 2022 President and Vice President of the West Carroll Parish School Board.

The floor was opened for nominations. Julie Linson nominated Marilyn Haley for President of the West Carroll Parish School Board. No further nominations. The floor was closed.

Tracey Rios nominated Julie Linson for Vice President of the West Carroll Parish School Board. No further nominations. The floor was closed. Positions filled by acclamation.

Agenda Item #2 To approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021, Finance Committee Meeting.

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

Agenda Item #3 To approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

On the motion of James C. Burrell, seconded by Tracey Rios, **the Board approved agenda item #3. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #4 To receive the November 2021 financial report.

Board members received information from Mrs. Angela Johnson, business manager.

Agenda Item #5 To recognize Courtney Bolding as the West Carroll Parish School Board's December 2021 Employee of the Month (presented by Taylor & Sons Insurance & Financial Services).

Mrs Bolding was presented with a plaque from Taylor & Sons Insurance & Financial Services.

Agenda Item #6 To recognize the winners of the West Carroll Parish School Board's Young Authors' Contest.

Mrs. Sarah Kovac acknowledged 1st place parish winners of the contest.

Agenda Item #7 To take from the table the option to adopt a redistricting plan for the West Carroll Parish School Board.

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

Agenda Item #8 To decide between a 5-member or 7-member redistricting plan for the West Carroll Parish School Board based on data generated by the 2020 United States Census.

Todd Smith made a motion to adopt a 5 member redistricting plan. With no second, the motion died.

James C. Burrell made a motion to keep 7 member redistricting plan. With no second, the motion died.

Discussions were held from the floor with Board members.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Shane Ray, **the motion to adopt a 5 member redistricting plan was accepted. The motion passed. James C. Burrell abstained from voting.**

Agenda Item #9 To adopt interim changes to the West Carroll Parish School Board's Pupil Progression Plan

On the motion of Tracey Rios, seconded by Cullen Kovac, **the board approved agenda item #9. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #10 To recognize January as School Board Appreciation Month and publicly recognize each board member.

Mrs. Christy Boyte presented each board member with tokens of appreciation.

Agenda Item #11 To appoint the 2022 Finance Committee of the West Carroll Parish School Board.

Tracey Rios accepted the appointment as President. Shane Ray and James C. Burrell accepted appointments as committee members.

Agenda Item #12 To set the day, time, and location of the monthly regular meetings of the West Carroll Parish School Board as the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the West Carroll Parish School Board Media Center, 410 Willis Street, Oak Grove, LA. Regular School board meetings will be held on the second Monday of the month in July and September because of the holidays.

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by James C. Burrell **the board approved agenda item #12. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #13 To set the day, time, and location of quarterly West Carroll Parish School Board Finance Committee meetings of the West Carroll Parish School Board as the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the West Carroll Parish School Board Media Center, 410 Willis Street, Oak Grove, LA.

On the motion of Tracey Rios, seconded by Julie Linson, **the Board approved agenda item #13. The motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item #14 To enter into executive session to discuss employee matters, including the evaluation of the superintendent.

On the motion of Julie Linson, seconded by Todd Smith, **the Board convened into executive session @ 7:21 p.m.**

On the motion of Cullen Kovac, seconded by James C. Burrell, **the Board reconvened into regular session @ 7:45 p.m.**

Agenda Item #15 To receive information concerning contracts and leaves.

- a. Contracts—Peggy Williams
- b. Leaves—Sarah Burrell (retirement)

On the motion of Todd Smith, seconded by Shane Ray, **the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.**

Marilyn Haley, President
West Carroll Parish School Board

Christy Boyte, Secretary
West Carroll Parish School Board