

**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:** Truman Smith, Laura Perkins, Johnny Smith, Charles Townsend, Todd Smith, Shane Ray, Cullen Kovac

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**Johnny Smith** gave the invocation.

**The public hearing of the West Carroll Parish School Board was called to order by President, Truman Smith, at 6:30 p.m.**

**Agenda Item #1** To discuss the proposed operating budget for the 2023-2024 school year. Report presented by business manager, Angela Johnson.

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

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

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

**Agenda Item #2** To approve the minutes of the August 7, 2023, Finance Committee Meeting.

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

**Agenda Item #3** To approve the minutes of the August 7, 2023, 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 July 2023 financial report, including budget-to-actual comparisons. Report received and discussed. No action taken.

**Agenda Item #5** To adopt the proposed operating budget for the 2023-2024 school year.

On the motion of Cullen Kovac, seconded by Laura Perkins, **the Board approved agenda item #5. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #6** To approve a motion to pay the one-time stipend, funded through the special MFP, of \$2,000 for certified staff and \$1,000 for support staff approved in the guidance provided.

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

**Agenda Item #7** To approve a motion to pay a one-time stipend, funded through the general fund, of \$2,000 for certified pre-k staff and \$1,000 for pre-k support staff who were not approved for the legislative stipend funded through the special MFP.

On the motion of Cullen Kovac, seconded by Shane Ray, **the Board approved agenda item #7. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #8** To consider a motion to accept quotes for grounds maintenance at Epps Elementary and Kilbourne High School.

An alternate motion to accept quotes for grounds maintenance according to board-approved specifications for Epps Elementary, Kilbourne High School, Fiske Union School, and Goodwill Elementary campuses was offered by Shane Ray, seconded by Laura Perkins, **the alternative motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #9** To bring back to the table the option to approve the West Carroll Parish Schools Administrative Handbook.

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

**Agenda Item #9a.** To approve the WCPSB Administrative Handbook.

On the motion of Cullen Kovac, seconded by Todd Smith, **the Board approved agenda item #9a. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Agenda Item #10** To consider dates for annual Board member training.

**The Board approved dates of September 21<sup>st</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 for annual Board member training.**

**Agenda Item #11** To receive the September personnel report.

**Item discussed. No action taken.**

On the motion of Cullen Kovac, seconded by Todd Smith, **the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.**