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Board Meeting Agenda Thursday, September 15, 2022

The West Carroll Parish School Board will meet at the West Carroll Parish Schools Media Center Auditorium, 410 Willis Street, in Oak Grove, Louisiana on Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

1. The meeting will begin with a public hearing to discuss the proposed budget for the 2022-2023 school year.

The West Carroll Parish School Board Meeting will begin immediately following the public hearing. The agenda follows:

1. To approve the agenda;
2. To approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022, Regular Board Meeting;
3. To approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022, Finance Committee Meeting;
4. To receive the July 2022 financial report;
5. To adopt the proposed operating budget for the 2022-2023 school year;
6. To consider offering 4 operational, tilting skillets for surplus sale;
7. To receive information about the LDOE 5-Year Strategic Planning Initiative which will include focus groups, interviews, and surveys for parents, staff, and students;
8. To enter into executive session to discuss and review school safety plans and procedures;
9. To approve two (2) new policies to comply with state law:
 - i. File IDDDFA—Special Education Advisory Council—Establishes a Special Education Advisory Council and outlines membership and meeting requirements, and
 - ii. File LEH—Patriotic Organizations—Provides access to public school facilities and students for patriotic organizations.
10. To approve nine (9) policy revisions to comply with state law:
 - i. File GBDA—Employment of Retired Personnel—Provides for the re-employment of retired teachers when a critical shortage has been established and bus drivers in accordance with state law and TRSL/LSERS policies;
 - ii. File GBN—Dismissal of Employees—Outlines the provisions and process for the termination of administrators, teachers, substitute teachers and bus drivers;
 - iii. File GBRIB—Sick Leave—Includes “special circumstances” as an allowable reason for taking sick leave without the loss of pay;

- iv. File GBRID—Military Leave—Provides for “leaves of absence” and step increases for military duty and outlines the process for employees ordered to active duty;
- v. File IDDFB—Service Animals in Schools—Defines “service animal” and outlines the process for requesting the accompaniment of a service animal;
- vi. File IDDFC—Cameras in Special Education Classrooms—Requires WCPSB to develop procedures for the installation and operation of cameras in special education classrooms and adds a provision for parental camera request(s);
- vii. File JBCE—Public School Choice—Adds the allowance for secondary students to transfer from one high school to another to pursue a specific *program of choice* as outlined by Louisiana Act 533;
- viii. File JGCE—Child Abuse—Defines the role of mandatory reporters, outlines procedures for reporting child abuse and neglect, and requires age-appropriate student instruction relative to child assault/prevention; and
- ix. File JQE—Expectant and Parenting Students—Allows excused absences, check outs, and make up work for expectant and parenting students and includes provisions for lactating students as well as information/assistance in identifying local child care providers.

11. To receive information concerning contracts, resignations, and retirements:

- a. Contracts—Kathy Anderson, Kristina Ashcraft, Emily Edmonson, Rachel Higginbotham, Mika Mills, Keith Murray, Emilia Norris, Erica Russell; and
- b. Resignations—Tracie Boutwell and Minnie Stowe.