



MOREHOUSE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

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Mission: "Academic Excellence through Quality Teaching"

Vision: "Continuing to a 'C' in 2022"

DAVID GRAY
Superintendent

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

January 6, 2023

A public meeting will be held as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, January 10, 2023

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: Morehouse Student Services Center
1607 Martin Luther King South
Bastrop, LA 71220

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Swearing in of School Board Members by Tiffani S. Thomas, Morehouse Parish Clerk of Court

1. Call to Order (Mr. David Gray)
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance (Mr. David Gray)
4. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum
5. Election of President of Morehouse Parish School Board
6. Election of Vice-President of Morehouse Parish School Board (**Board President will take over**)
7. Approval of Agenda
8. Recognitions:
 - Employee of the month
 - LHSSA Academic Composite Football Team Recipient (Presented by Principal Marilyn Taylor & Coach Cedric Sherrod)
 - Students of the year
9. Superintendent's Announcements (Mr. David Gray)
10. Approval of Minutes – Regular School Board Meeting held on December 6, 2022
11. Approval of monthly Travel Requests (Presented by Mr. David Gray)

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12. Approval of monthly Bus Requests (Presented by Mr. David Gray)
13. To receive the Discipline Report (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
14. To receive the report from the Finance and Advisory Committee meeting held on December 20, 2022.

The Finance and Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at 5:30 pm. **Rick Hixon-Chairperson** called the meeting to order. In attendance were the following: **Louis Melton and Adrin Williams**. Absent- **Karen Diel and Debbie Wilson**. Also present were **Mrs. Veronica Tappin, David Gray, Superintendent and Stephen Katz, Attorney**.

1. Ms. Ersula Downs presented the report regarding the Sales Tax Funds update for November 2022. On a motion by Mr. Louis Melton to approve Sales Tax Funds report for November 2022, seconded by Ms. Adrin Williams. None opposed, the motion carried unanimously.
Madam President, I so move.
2. Ms. Ersula Downs presented the report regarding the General Fund for November 2022. On a motion by Mr. Louis Melton to approve General Fund report for November 2022, seconded by Ms. Adrin Williams. None opposed, the motion carried unanimously.
Madam President, I so move.
3. Ms. Ersula Downs presented the report regarding the School Lunch Fund for November 2022. On a motion by Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the School Lunch Fund report for November 2022, seconded by Mr. Louis Melton. None opposed, the motion carried unanimously.
Madam President, I so move.
4. To receive a report from the East Morehouse Tax Fund Report. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) On a motion by Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the East Morehouse Tax Fund Report for November 2022, seconded by Mr. Louis Melton. None opposed, the motion carried unanimously.
Madam President, I so move.

5. MEETING ADJOURNED.

15. To approve the Louisiana Audit Questionnaire. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
16. To discuss and take necessary actions “Due to expressed interest for portable buildings to be leased by Bastrop Police Jury from H. V. Adams Elementary School.” (Requested by Mr. Terry Mathews, Presented by Mr. Terry Mathews.)
17. “Consideration of a resolution giving preliminary approval to the issuance of Revenue Bonds of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Morehouse, State of Louisiana; making application to the State Bond Commission; and providing for other matters in connection therewith”. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs & Foley and Judell L.L.P)
18. To declare an emergency for Morehouse Magnet School reconstruction of the MPR. (Presented by Mr. Tony Roberts)

19. Notice of Public Meeting Announcement. (Presented by current Board President)
20. To discuss and approve the 2022-2023 Pupil Progression Plan Addendum. (Presented by Ms. Katie Henderson)
21. To receive and adopt the amended policy F-9.12b, Time Keeping Policy for Nonexempt Employees, subparagraph G (Regarding running extra routes) as a “**First Reading**”. (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
22. To consider and take necessary action regarding rescheduling the Morehouse Parish School Board regular scheduled monthly board meeting set for Tuesday, March 7, 2023 to Tuesday, March 14, 2023. The Louisiana School Board Association Annual Conference is March 7-9, 2023. (Requested by Mr. David Gray)
23. “To discuss and take the necessary action needed to receive a report from the Superintendent, on a monthly basis, on the status of repairs submitted and when completed.” (Requested by Mr. Louis Melton) (Presented by Mr. Louis Melton)
24. “Submit to the Board the names on the Screening Committee for new hires, how they are chosen, and how long do they serve. Is there Public representation?” (Requested by Mr. Louis Melton) (Presented by Mr. Louis Melton)
25. “Submit to the Board the total amount allocated for having a high school at Morehouse Magnet School including, but not limited to:
 - A. Administrative allocation
 - B. Athletic cost (# of sports and
 - C. Counselor responsible for 9-12 students and their required Carnegie units, TOPS, and scholarships.
 - D. Certified Foreign language teacher.(Requested by Mr. Louis Melton) (Presented by Mr. Louis Melton)
26. “Discuss and take the necessary action to inform the Board of how many judgements have been filed against and paid by the Morehouse Parish School District since 2019.” (Requested by Mrs. Veronica Tappin, Presented by Mrs. Veronica Tappin)
27. “Are local qualified personnel considered for employment prior to hiring personnel from outside the parish?” (Requested by Mrs. Veronica Tappin, Presented by Mrs. Veronica Tappin)
28. “Requesting updates from all principals or any new information pertaining to each school.” (Requested by Ms. Adrin Williams, presented by School Principals)
29. Public Comment: None submitted for this meeting
30. Personnel
 - a. Personnel Report (See Attachment)

31. To enter into Executive Session to discuss the Superintendent David Gray's professional competence and contract. (Presented by current board president)
32. To exit from Executive Session. (Presented by current board president)
33. To place the superintendent's evaluation in his personnel file.
34. **ADJOURNMENT**



David Gray, Superintendent
Morehouse Parish Schools

Pursuant to the requirements of LSA-R.S. 42:19, no matter may be discussed by the Morehouse Parish School Board unless it appears on the agenda published at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting unless a unanimous vote of the members of the school board votes to take up the matter.

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