The Franklin Parish School Board met for its regular scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 5:00 PM in the Franklin Parish School Board complex boardroom.

Present for the meeting were, Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, Mrs. Alaina Nichols, Mr. Danny Davis, Dr. Jacqueline Johnson, Mr. Matt Stephens and Ms. Laquetta Barnes

Absent from the meeting: Mr. Richard Kelly

President Eddie Ray Bryan called the meeting to order. Mr. Danny Davis led in prayer and President Bryan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR, JANUARY 9, 2024, REGULAR MEETING AS LISTED

ORDINANCE # 2024-01-0001

BE IT ORDAINED, ETC., that the Franklin Parish School Board approved the agenda for the January 9, 2024, regular meeting as listed.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING:**

**January 9, 2024, Regular Meeting**

**FRANKLIN PARISH SCHOOL BOARD COMPLEX**

**7293 PRAIRIE ROAD**

**WINNSBORO, LA 71295**

**Board Room, 5:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: President

INVOCATION: Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President

I. Approval of Agenda for January 9, 2024, regular meeting.

II. Approval of minutes from December 5, 2023 regular meeting.

III. Election of 2024 School Board Officers and Appointment of Committees

IV. **Recognition of Visitors – Carol Pinnell-Alison - LSU AgCenter**

-**Troy Bell - District Awards**

V. Presentation of Audit Report. (EisnerAmper)

VI. Business -

A. To consider and/or take action on Policy Updates: **CG:** Administrative Records**;**

**DFG:** Donations and Gifts**; EBBH:** Use of Automated External Defibrillator AED

and Cardiac Emergency Plan**; GBG:** Probation**; IHAD:** Parent Conferences**; JGB:**

School Wellness**; JGC:** Student Health Services**.** (Gullatt) **Lay over 30 days**

B. To consider and/or take action on awarding 2024 Spring Janitorial Bid to lowest bidders. (Walters/Gullatt)

C. To consider and/or take action of awarding 2024 Air Conditioner bid to lowest bidders. (Walters/Gullatt)

VII. Business Manager Report

VIII. Superintendent’s Report

IX. President’s Report

X. Adjourn

MOTION: Mrs. Alaina Nichols SECOND: Dr. Jacqueline Johnson

YEAS: Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, Mrs. Alaina Nichols, Mr. Danny Davis, Dr. Jacqueline

Johnson, Mr. Matt Stephens and Ms. Laquetta Barnes

NAYS: None

ABSENT AND/OR NOT VOTING: Mr. Richard Kelly

The motion was approved.

Mr. John Gullatt, Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, President

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MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 5, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

ORDINANCE # 2024-01-0002

BE IT ORDAINED, ETC., that the Franklin Parish School Board approved the minutes from the December 5, 2023 Regular meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Matthew Stephens SECOND: Ms. Laquetta Barnes

YEAS: Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, Mrs. Alaina Nichols, Mr. Danny Davis, Dr. Jacqueline

Johnson, Mr. Matt Stephens and Ms. Laquetta Barnes

NAYS: None

ABSENT AND/OR NOT VOTING: Mr. Richard Kelly

The motion was approved.

Mr. John Gullatt, Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, President

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Mr. Matthew Stephens nominated Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan as Board President, seconded by Mr. Danny Davis. With no other opposition, Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan assumed the office of President.

Mrs. Alaina Nichols nominated Dr. Jacqueline Johnson as Board Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Danny Davis. With no other opposition, Dr. Jacqueline Johnson assumed the office of Vice President.

Dr. Jacqueline Johnson nominated Mr. Danny Davis as Board Chaplain, seconded by Mr. Matthew Stephens. With no other opposition, Mr. Danny Davis assumed the office of Chaplain.

President Bryan appointed, Mr. Danny Davis, Mr. Matthew Stephens, and Dr. Jacqueline Johnson to the Finance Committee with Dr. Jacqueline Johnson, Chair. Mr. Richard Kelly, Ms. Laquetta Barnes, and Mrs. Alaina Nichols to the Maintenance Committee with Mrs. Alaina Nichols, chair. Insurance Committee will comprise of Mrs. Alaina Nichols, Mr. Danny Davis and Dr. Jacqueline Johnson with Dr. Jacqueline Johnson, chair. Mr. Matthew Stephens, Ms. Laquetta Barnes and Mr. Richard Kelly to the Policy Committee with Mr. Richard Kelly, chair.

**VISITOR:**

**CAROL PINNELL-ALISON - LSU AgCenter -** Mrs. Alison gave each board member a copy of the LSU AgCenter’s Quarterly Report and the Franklin Parish Profile. She invited everyone to the Ag Expo that will be held December 7th and 8th. She then highlighted some items of interest in the Quarterly Report, which included the Ag Tour for the Louisiana Delta Community College and updated the board on things that Mark Ricard is working on at the schools.

**TROY BELL - District Awards -** Mrs. Susan Russell, representing Franklin State Bank was present during the presentation.

**Elementary Teacher - Maria Huff, First grade teacher, Crowville Jr. High School**

**Jr. High Teacher - Mary Beth Ogden, 7th and 8th grade, Baskin Jr. High School**

**High School Teacher - Donnie Young**

**Support Staff - Jan Bland, Franklin Parish High School**

**Cleanest Campus - Baskin Jr. High School**

**PRESENTATION OF AUDIT REPORT - MR. FREDDY SMITH, EISNERAMPER**

Mr. Smith opened his report by stating that state law requires school systems to be audited yearly. The audit was submitted to the Louisiana Legislative Auditors last week. Mr. Smith presented each board member with a copy of the 2023 Audit Results. He went over the report in detail. There were a few findings concerning the Federal Funding, ESSER Grant and Child Nutrition. For the ESSER Grant the finding included monitoring of contractors using Davis-Bacon. Child Nutrition finding consisted of Non-compliance with the procurement regulations for bidding or pricing.

MOTION TO CONSIDER AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING POLICY UPDATES: CG, DFG, EBBH, GBG, IHAD, JGB, JGC

ORDINANCE # 2024-01-0003

BE IT ORDAINED, ETC., that the Franklin Parish School Board tabled the policy update for 30 days.

The motion was tabled.

Mr. John Gullatt, Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, President

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MOTION TO CONSIDER AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON AWARDING THE 2024 SPRING JANITORIAL BID TO THE LOWEST BIDDER(S)

ORDINANCE # 2024-01-0004

BE IT ORDAINED, ETC., that the Franklin Parish School Board approved awarding the 2024 Spring Janitorial Bid to the lowest bidder(s).

MOTION: Dr. Jacqueline Johnson SECOND: Mrs. Alaina Nichols

YEAS: Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, Mrs. Alaina Nichols, Mr. Danny Davis, Dr. Jacqueline

Johnson, Mr. Matt Stephens and Ms. Laquetta Barnes

NAYS: None

ABSENT AND/OR NOT VOTING: Mr. Richard Kelly

The motion was approved.

Mr. John Gullatt, Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, President

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MOTION TO CONSIDER AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON AWARDING 2024 AIR CONDITIONER BID TO LOWEST BIDDER(S)

ORDINANCE # 2024-01-0005

BE IT ORDAINED, ETC., that the Franklin Parish School Board awarding the 2024 Air Conditioner Bid to the lowest bidder(s).

MOTION: Mr. Danny Davis SECOND: Mrs. Alaina Nichols

YEAS: Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, Mrs. Alaina Nichols, Mr. Danny Davis, Dr. Jacqueline

Johnson, Mr. Matt Stephens and Ms. Laquetta Barnes

NAYS: None

ABSENT AND/OR NOT VOTING: Mr. Richard Kelly

The motion was approved.

Mr. John Gullatt, Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, President

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BUSINESS REPORT

Miss Ellen Lane, Business Manager gave the board members a copy of the Check Register for December 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023, the Account Classification Structure-Actual ending December 2023, Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Year thru December 31, 2023, Balance Sheet for December 2023, and Trial Balance for the Period Ending December 2023. Miss Lane indicated the Net Excess is lower than last year by nearly $524,000. The Ad Valorem Taxes has not been received in total at the time of the meeting. She added MFP is down and Expenses are less. Ms. Lane reminded the board members that if at any time there were questions about the school board finances, her door was always open. With no other business to discuss, Miss Lane concluded her report.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Gullatt opened his Superintendent Report by recognizing Mr. Elbert Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence has been repairing the air conditioning units in the Field House and has them working properly.

Mr. Gullatt let the board members know of the upcoming LSBA meeting that will be in March. If any board member would like to attend, please contact Mrs. Lee to get everything set up. Mr. Gullatt set the next meeting dates as followed; January 30, 2024, Agenda Meeting and February 6, 2024, Regular Board Meeting. With that, Mr. Gullatt concluded his report.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT –

Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan opened his report by thanking everyone that contacted him after the loss for his father and during his hospital stay. He was appreciative of the support and prayers during both. With that, Mr. Bryan concluded his report.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

ORDINANCE # 2024-01-0006

BE IT ORDAINED, ETC., that there being no further business to discuss the regular meeting is adjourned.

MOTION: Mrs. Alaina Nichols SECOND: Dr. Jacqueline Johnson

YEAS: Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, Mrs. Alaina Nichols, Mr. Danny Davis, Dr. Jacqueline

Johnson, Mr. Matt Stephens and Ms. Laquetta Barnes

NAYS: None

ABSENT AND/OR NOT VOTING: Mr. Richard Kelly

The motion was approved.

Mr. John Gullatt, Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Eddie Ray Bryan, President

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| **Instructional Personnel** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Hires** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
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| **Resignation** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
| Head, Denise | FPHS | Teacher | 12.20.2023 | Health | 01.09.2024 |
| Williams, Kishawn | FPHS | Teacher/Coach | 12.20.2023 | Relocation | 01.09.2024 |
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| **Terminations** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
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| **Transfers** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
| Atkins, Gelazhia | WES to FPHS | Teacher | 01.04.2024 | Replace S. Head | 01.09.2024 |
| Ford, Sarah | FORT | PreK to Elem Teacher | 08.04.2023 | Replace S. Lovell | 01.09.2024 |
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| **Extended Sick Leave** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Dates** | **Total Days** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
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| **Leave without pay** |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Support Personnel (All Support Personnel shall be on a 6-month probationary basis.)** | | | | | |
| **Hires** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
| Boutwell, Odessa | BJHS | TI Para | 11.28.2023 | Replace C. Gable | 01.09.2024 |
| McCarthy, Kaleisha | WES | GF Para-Office | 11.16.2023 | New Position | 01.09.2024 |
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| **Resignation** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
| Adams, Sandy | FPHS | Cafe Tech | 01.08.2024 | Personal | 01.09.2024 |
| Brown, Kimberly | CJHS | Cafe Tech | 12.20.2023 | Personal | 01.09.2024 |
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| **Transfers** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
| Hamilton, Pamela | FPHS to FORT | Cafe Tech | 01.09.2024 | Not given | 01.09.2024 |
| Winstead, Taylor | CJHS | Cafe Tech to Manager | 01.04.2024 | Replace T.Hatten | 01.09.2024 |
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| **Military Leave** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
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| **Extended Sick Leave** |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Leave without pay** |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Vacant Teacher Positions** | |  |  |  |  |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position/Grade** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd.Mtg.** |
| ~~Boley, Keneshia~~ | ~~WES~~ | ~~Long Term Sub~~ | ~~09.12.2023~~ | ~~Replace P. Cheffin~~ | ~~10.10.2023~~ |
| Cox, Christi | CJHS | Long Term Sub | 08.04.2023 | Replace C. Young | 01.25.2024 |
| ~~Gonzales, Miranda~~ | ~~FORT~~ | ~~Long Term Sub~~ | ~~09.21.2023~~ | ~~SPED Teacher~~ | ~~10.10.2023~~ |
| Lowe, Emily | FPHS | Long Term Sub | 08.04.2023 | Replace K. Sparks | 10.10.2023 |
| Parker, Dawn | CJHS | Long Term Sub | 08.04.2023 | Replace A. Morehouse | 10.10.2023 |
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| **Day to Day** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning with the 2016-17 school year, “long-term” day to day substitute teachers MUST have at least a bachelor’s degree from an accredited university or institution to receive “long-term” day to day substitute pay. (The universities or institutions must be accredited by one of the recognized organizations to be accepted in Louisiana. Recognized regional accrediting organizations are: MSA, NWCCU, NCA, NEASC-CIHE, SACS, WASC-ACCJC & WASC-ACSCU | | | | | |
| **Name** | **School** | **Position** | **Effect. Date** | **Reason** | **Bd. Mtg.** |
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