



City of Baker School Board Meeting March 12, 2019

MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board held a public meeting in the Board Room of the City of Baker School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on March 12, 2019.

Mrs. Shona P. Boxie, President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken by Mrs. Boxie

BURGES:	Present
PARKER:	Present
DAVIS:	Present
BOXIE:	Present
BOOKER:	Present

A moment of silent meditation was led by Mrs. Davis, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ms. Booker. Mrs. Boxie welcomed all visitors to the meeting.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Ms. Booker, the Board voted to approve the agenda. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

Superintendent Brister and the Board recognized Baker High School Head Football Coach Eric Randall for being named 2018 6-3A All District Coach of the Year and presented him with a plaque. The Baker High School All District football players were recognized and received Medallions of Achievement (see attached list of recipients).

The Student of the Year award recipients for each school were recognized and received Medallions of Achievement (see attached list of recipients). The District Elementary School Student of the Year, Miss Crista Earvin, and the District High School Student of the Year, Mr. Frank Smith, were recognized and presented with plaques. (Note: A reception to honor the City of Baker School System Students of the Year was held prior to the Board Meeting from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.)

On motion of Ms. Booker seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 5, 2019. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Ms. Booker seconded by Mrs. Parker, the Board voted to approve the Superintendent's Personnel Actions. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Parker, the Board voted to accept the monthly financial report including budget to actual comparisons for the period ending January 31, 2019. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to renew the legal services contract with DeCuir, Clark & Adams, LLP, and to adopt a resolution authorizing the employment of counsel and expressing its need to employ outside counsel. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Parker, the Board voted to approve the City of Baker School System Academic Calendar for the 2019-2020 school year, as well as adding five (5) instructional days for Bakerfield/Baker Heights Elementary School and Baker Middle School prior to the beginning of school. (Start date for Bakerfield/Baker Heights Elementary School and Baker Middle School will be **Wednesday, July 31st**, as opposed to the **Wednesday, August 7th**, the start date for Park Ridge Academic Magnet School and Baker High School.) Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

Agenda Items 13 and 14 were taken together. On motion of Ms. Booker seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted approval for the Park Ridge Academic Magnet School Junior Beta Club to travel to Jackson, Mississippi on Saturday, March 16, 2019, to visit the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum; and, approval for Park Ridge Academic Magnet School students to travel to Houston, Texas on Friday, May 17, 2019, to visit Space Center Houston. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Parker, the Board voted approval to allow members of the Baker Alumni Association to volunteer throughout the District. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Parker, the Board voted to exit regular session and go into executive session to consider the status of the litigation and the options available to the Board in *The City of Baker School Board v. The City of Baker through its Alcohol Control Board and RaceTrac, Inc., No. 611629, 19th Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge*. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

Mrs. Boxie informed the audience that while the Board was in executive session, no motions were made or votes taken.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Parker, the Board voted to exit executive session and return to regular session. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

Mr. Tom Easterly, outside counsel for RaceTrac, requested permission to address the Board. Following discussion and questions by the Board, a motion was made by Mrs. Burges to defer action on the item for another week. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

The Board agreed to call a special meeting to revisit the item on Thursday, March 21, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent Brister made the following announcements/remarks:

1. State testing is scheduled for April 1, 2019 through May 17, 2019.
2. He will participate in a conference call with representatives of the USDA regarding the District's loan on Wednesday, March 20, 2019.
3. The softball and field/track seasons have begun.

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Mrs. Boxie suggested that since the Board will be attending the National School Boards Association Conference in Philadelphia March 30th through April 1st, and the next scheduled School Board Meeting is April 2, 2019, the April 2nd Board Meeting be moved to the following Tuesday, which would be April 9, 2019. The Board agreed.

Mrs. Boxie thanked those in attendance for coming and announced the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, in the Board Room of the School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. Voting yes: Boxie, Booker, Burges, Davis and Parker. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Dr. Herman Brister, Secretary.

Baker High School
All District Football Players

First Team Offense

RB, Desmond Windon
WR, Bryant Williams
TE, Martise Covington
OL, Dillion Cage

First Team Defense

DL, Dillion Cage
LB, Camryn King
DB, Kendall McKinnis

Second Team Offense

QB, Tyren Henderson
RB, Kiley Clifton
OL, Jalen Gross
RET, Desmond Windon

Second Team Defense

DL, Jalen Gross
LB, Javarius Knox
DB, Bryant Williams
FLEX, Bryant Williams

2018-2019 Student of the Year Award Recipients

Twelfth Grade Student of the Year

Baker High School
Frank Smith

Eighth Grade Student of the Year

Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
Gabrielle Williams

Eighth Grade Student of the Year

Baker Middle School
Nylani Ford

Fifth Grade Student of the Year

Park Ridge Academic Magnet School
Crista Earvin

Fifth Grade Student of the Year

Bakerfield Elementary School
Alainia Ladey

Fifth Grade Student of the Year

Baker Heights Elementary School
Kevin Banos

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