



**JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA
203 E. PLAQUEMINE STREET
JENNINGS, LOUISIANA
(337) 824-1834
AGENDA MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**

FILE: BCB - SCHOOL BOARD MEETING RULES OF PROCEDURE
An individual speaker who appears at a School Board meeting to speak on an agenda item must register prior to the meeting, and will be allotted three (3) minutes to speak on the agenda item prior to School Board discussion on the agenda item.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

III. ROLL CALL FOR DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM.

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IV. APPROVAL OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON MAY 9, 2024 AND THE SPECIAL MEETING ON MAY 1, 2024.

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V. VOTE TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED AND TO ADD NEW ITEMS NOT ON THE ORIGINAL AGENDA.

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VI. RECOGNITION/ PRESENTATIONS:

1. Creed M. Romano, Jeff Davis Economic/Tourist Commission - ITEP update on new rules.

VII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Finance Committee - Phillip Arceneaux, Chairman
- B. Insurance - Blake Petry, Chairman
- C. Building & Grounds Committee - David Doise, Chairman
- D. Policy- Russell Walker, Chairman
- E. Transportation Committee - Greg Bordelon, Chairman
- F. 16th Section-Charles Bruchhaus, Chairman
- G. Ward II - Paula LeJeune, Chairman
- H. Legislative Liaison - Greg Bordelon, Chairman
- I. Long Range Planning - Malon Dobson, Chairman
- J. Food Service Committee - Greg Patterson, Chairman

VIII. SALES TAX REPORT - by Amber Hymel, Tax Collector.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Adopt the Louisiana Audit & Compliance Questionnaire, as required by the Legislative Auditor, for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

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2. Approve and sign the Engagement Letter for the Fiscal year June 30, 2024 audit between Management and the Board and Mike Gillespie, CPA, APAC, External auditors.

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3. Grant permission to Superintendent Hall to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Sowela for Dual enrollment.

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4. Consideration of adopting a resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special elections held in (i) School District No. 1 of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana and (ii) Welsh-Roanoke Consolidated School District No. One (1) of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, April 27, 2024, to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds.

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5. Consideration of adopting a resolution authorizing the incurring of debt and issuance of Three Million Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$3,015,000) of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2024, of School District No. 1 of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana; prescribing the form, terms and conditions of said Bonds; designating the date, denomination and place of payment of said Bonds; providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

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6. Consideration of adopting a resolution authorizing the incurring of debt and issuance of Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$8,500,000) of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2024, of Welsh-Roanoke Consolidated School District No. One (1) of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana; prescribing the form, terms and conditions of said Bonds; designating the date, denomination and place of payment of said Bonds; providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

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7. Consideration of adopting a resolution authorizing the advertising for electronic bids for the purchase of Three Million Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$3,015,000)

of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2024, of School District No. 1 of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

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8. Consideration of adopting a resolution authorizing the advertising for electronic bids for the purchase of Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$8,500,000) of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2024, of Welsh-Roanoke Consolidated School District No. One (1) of Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

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9. Adopt the following proclamation honoring the Educational Success and Achievement of Dr. Ruth Louise Ray Jackson:

**PROCLAMATION HONORING
THE EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF
DR. RUTH LOUISE RAY JACKSON**

Whereas, Dr. Ruth Louis Ray Jackson, is a former resident of Jennings, LA and the daughter of the late Jefferson Davis Parish School Board educators, Robert and Ruby Ray.

Whereas, Dr. Ruth Louis Ray Jackson, is a 1989 graduate of Jennings High School. With a stellar performance throughout her high school year, and good ACT score, Dr. Jackson was able to apply for early admissions. At only 16 years old, skipping her 12th grade year, she became an undergraduate English Education major at Southern University and A&M College.

Whereas, Dr. Jackson went on to earn her bachelor's degree in secondary education and her master's degree in administration and supervision from Southern University and A&M College. Dr. Jackson would later earn her Ph.D. in education and human resource studies from Colorado State University.

Whereas, Dr. Jackson was a former principal at Plaquemine High School and Assistant Professor at Louisiana State University- Shreveport. She also served in several leadership roles at Langston including Dean of the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences and Vice President of Academic Affairs and Interim President of Langston University.

Whereas, on April 15, 2024, the Office of Public Relations announced that the Oklahoma A&M Board of Regents appointed Dr. Ruth Louise Ray Jackson as the 17th President of Langston University, being the second female president since the university's inception in 1897.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Jefferson Davis Parish School Board does hereby commend **DR. RUTH LOUISE RAY JACKSON** on her educational success and professional achievements. We urge all citizens of our great parish to join us in recognizing the dedication and hard work of Dr. Ruth Louise Ray Jackson

and may her story of success and dedication be an inspiration to others of how hard work and dedication can achieve great things.

Thus done and signed in Jennings, Louisiana on this 13th day of June, 2024.

PAUL TRAHAN, PRESIDENT

JOHN G. HALL, SUPERINTENDENT

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10. Grant permission to the Child Nutrition Program to surplus the following and send to the next available public auction:

1. One (1) 3 door freezer from Welsh High School (Model number ARF 72 H; Serial Number 8102065237).

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11. Grant permission for the following out of state travel:

1. LAHS boys basketball students and staff to attend Summer Team Camp at East Texas Baptist University on 6/12/24 to 06/13/24. At no expense to the Board.

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X. INFORMATION

1. Condolences are extended the families of:
 - A. Joan Kennedy, JWES SPED Para, who retired in 2005 with 27 years of service.
 - B. Julius Ardoin, Federal Funds Director, who retired 1992, with 38 years of service.
2. Summer Meal Program
 Meals boxes will be distributed every Monday beginning June 17 - July 22, 2024 from 7:00 am until 12:00 pm at the following sites: Elton High, Lake Arthur Elementary, Hathaway High, Jennings High, Fenton Elementary, Lacassine High and Welsh Elementary.

XI. PERSONNEL CHANGES

XII. SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Motion to enter into Executive session.

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B. Motion to resume in regular session.

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XIV. ADJOURN

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IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW, A COPY OF THIS AGENDA WAS POSTED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE AT THE MEETING PLACE OF SAID BOARD ON MONDAY JUNE 10, 2024 BY 4:00 P.M.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CONTACT DEBBIE AT 337-824-1834 DESCRIBING THE ASSISTANCE THAT IS NECESSARY.