



JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA
203 E. PLAQUEMINE STREET
JENNINGS, LOUISIANA
(337) 824-1834
AGENDA MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
JAMES WARD CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE
208 SHANKLAND AVE.
JENNINGS, LA 70546

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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 NOVEMBER 21, 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. Welcome by Mrs. Lori Lemmons, James Ward Center for Excellence Principal.
- 2. Students and faculty presentation.
- 3. Recognizing Paul Habetz as a Community Partner in Education.
- 4. Mayor Guinn - City of Jennings Purchase of Property.

VII. ELECTION OF 2025 SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT.

- A. Superintendent Hall, School Board Secretary, calls for nominations for office of School Board President.
- B. School Board President, calls for nominations for office of School Board Vice-President.

VIII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. **FINANCE COMMITTEE - REQUEST FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, PHILLIP ARCENEUX, THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD:**

1. Grant permission to accept the following donations:
 - A. EHS
 1. Elton Youth Football - \$500.00. Funds to be used to meet the needs of EHS football program.
 - B. JHS
 1. Jennings Alumni Association \$14,900.00. Funds to be given to following sports:
 - A. Girls softball \$3,200.00
 - B. Tennis program \$1,700.00
 - C. Boys/Girls Track Program \$2,000.00
 - D. Swim program \$800.00
 - E. Golf program \$1,700.00
 - F. Boys and Girls Basketball \$3,000.00
 - G. JHS Athletic Weight Room \$2,500.00
 2. Venture Global LNG \$2,500.00. Funds to be used by JHS softball for softball supplies and field maintenance.
 3. Quarter Back Club \$1,250.00. Funds to be used by Varsity Club to purchase wrap for trailer.
 4. Benjamin Oustalet \$75.00. Funds to be used towards purchasing flowers for homecoming.
 5. Donations for National FFA trip. Funds to be used towards expenses related to the FFA National Convention trip :
 - A. Jeff Davis Insurance \$500.00
 - B. Ronald Petree \$25.00
 - C. Jennings Kiwanis Club \$100.00
 - D. JDP Fair \$200.00
 - E. Greenpoint AG \$500.00
 - F. Drew & Laurie Duhon \$100.00
 - G. Bubba Oustalet \$2,000.00
 - H. National FFA Foundation \$4,500.00.
 - C. LAHS
 1. H & H Commercial Cleaning \$1,000.00. Funds to be used for boys basketball expenses.
 - 2.. LA Paws Boosters \$943.00. Funds to be used for varsity cheerleading team.
 3. Charter bus expenses for football playoff game:
 1. Football parents \$1,760.00.
 2. Dreamworks, II \$1,000.00
 3. Faster Cajun Network \$500.00
 - D. WES:
 1. Skip Broussard with 90 One Stop \$250.00. Funds to be used for Harvest of the Month Program, which provides monthly fruits and vegetables for students to taste as part of the Eat, Move, Grow program in Physical Education.
 - E. WHS:
 1. Sno B's \$700.00. Funds to be used for band expenses.
 2. Haynesville expenses for football playoff:

- For Band-
- A. Welsh rotary club \$200.00
 - B. R.W. Petree \$100.00
 - C. Cash \$60.00

- For Cheer
- A. The Bank \$600.00
 - B. Welsh Varsity Cheer \$1,600.00
 - C. John & Dayna Hall \$1,400.00

3. Pat Deshotel \$100.00. Funds to be used for band expenses.

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2. Grant permission to Sharon Phenice Ardoin, to accept the following donations from Gifting Grace Project in Lafayette, LA for donating around 200 bags of gifts (\$60+ average value each) for students in need. Estimated number of gifts dropped off at each school.

- Elton Elementary – 11
- Elton High – 8
- Fenton Elementary – 9
- Hathaway High – 8
- Jennings Elementary – 40
- Jennings High – 35
- Lacassine High – 22
- Lake Arthur Elementary – 10
- Lake Arthur High School – 15

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3. Grant permission to the JDP Department of Special Services to accept the following donation:

1. Knights of Columbus - Jennings Council 2012 - \$1,600.00. To be used for Special Olympic expenses.

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4. Grant permission to LAHS to purchase a 2025 John Deere Gator HPX615E from Sunshine Quality Solutions on State contract (#4400025603) at a cost of \$16,750.05. To be paid from Contingency #1.

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- 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 COMMITTEE - REQUEST FROM THE WARD II COMMITTEE
CHAIRMAN PAULA LEJEUNE, THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD:

1. Approve the expansion and elevation of the press box at Jerry Simmons Stadium contingent upon the approval of the City of Jennings variance.

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- H. Legislative Liaison - Greg Bordelon, Chairman
I. Long Range Planning - Malon Dobson, Chairman
J. Food Service Committee - Greg Patterson, Chairman

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

X. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve the following non-faculty coach for 2024-2025 upon completion of LHSAА coaching course certification and Board policy requirements.
1. Emily Andrepont, JHS softball.

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2. That the School Board name the following selection as District Hearing Officers for use in review hearings authorized by La.R.S.17:443, La. R.S. 17:444, and R.S. 17:493:
David Doughty
Retired Judge Glen Strong
Doug Lawrence
Jay Mitchell
Reggie Abrams
Wendy Giovingo
Greg Belfour

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3. Approve the following out-of-state travel requests:
1. LAHS Band Teacher to travel to San Antonio, TX on 02/12/25 to 02/16/25 to attend Professional Development. At no expense to the Board.
2. JHS Band students and Teacher to travel to Texarkana, TX on 01/16/25 to 01/18/25 to attend Four States Honor Band. At no expense to the Board.

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4. Approve the following Early Childhood Community Network funding requests for publicly-funded seats for the 2025–26 School year:
The Jefferson Davis Parish Early Childhood Community Network will submit the following coordinated Funding Request for publicly-funded seats for the 2025-26 School Year:
250 Jefferson Davis Parish School Board LA4 Cecil Picard Early at-risk Pre-K Seats

65 Birth through three year old seats for Type III Licensed Child Care Centers in Jefferson Davis Parish
0 NSECD Seats
0 Pre-K Expansion Grant Seats

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XI. INFORMATION

- 1. Condolences are extended to the families of:
 - A. Carrie Jean Broussard, LAHS Cafeteria Tech, who retired in 2005, with 20 years of service.
 - B. Katie Rochelle, Central Elementary Teacher, who retired in 1986 with 32 years of service.
- 2. 3rd Annual 2025 Special Olympics ~ Young Athletes Event - The Department of Special Services will be hosting the 3rd Annual 2025 Special Olympics ~ Young Athletes event on January 17, 2025, from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM at Jennings High School Gymnasium. This event is designed for students with disabilities (SWDs) in grades Pre-K through 2nd grade. The funding for this event will come from donations received by the Department of Special Services, including approximately \$2,507.33 from the Ivy Woods Golf Tournaments and the Knights of Columbus Council 2012.

XI. PERSONNEL CHANGES

A. Personnel changes:

APPOINTMENTS

- 1. Russell Peyton Phelps, JHS Teacher, 01/06/25, re: Breann Davis transfer.
- 2. Elizabeth Johnson, LHS Sped Para, 01/06/25, re: Erica Lecklelt transfer.
- 3. Grant Fontenot, LAHS Teacher, 01/06/25, re: Jaime Gonzales resignation.
- 4. Cindy McDaniel, Welsh Schools Cafeteria Tech, 01/06/25, re: Daletta Etienne resignation.
- 5. Daletta Etienne, Welsh Schools Cafeteria Tech, 12/02/24, re: Crystal Thompson resignation.
- 6. Gilbert Alexander, LAHS Custodian, 12/11/24, re: Brian Benoit retirement.
- 7. Marcus Hampton, Sr., WES/WHs custodian, 12/02/24, re: Larry Leger resignation.

TRANSFERS

- 1. Erica Lecklelt, LHS SPED Para to LHS Pre K Para, 12/02/24, re: Morgan Augustine resignation.
- 2. Debbie Marceaux, JES Teacher to HHS Assistant Principal, 01/06/25, re: Tanya Bujol transfer.
- 3. Frankie Teal, LAHS Cafeteria Tech to LAHS Custodian, 12/05/24, re: Donald Philip Richard resignation.
- 4. Breann Davis, JHS Enrichment Teacher to JHS ELA Teacher, 12/02/24, re: Kristin Victorian new position.

RESIGNATIONS

- 1. Tessa Deshotel, EHS School Secretary, 11/30/24.
- 2. Morgan Augustine, LHS Pre K Para, 11/23/24.
- 3. Donald Phillip Richard, LAHS Custodian, 11/23/24.

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 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.