

City of Baker School Board
Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, November 5, 2025, 6:00 P.M.
School Board Office

Monique Butler, President – Presiding

“Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.” — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

A. Meeting Commencement

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Silent Meditation
4. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Welcome of Visitors

C. Recognitions

D. Approval of Agenda (Action)

E. Action Items-The public may comment on Action Items. Public Comment is limited to 2 minutes per individual.

1. Consideration and Approval of Minutes from the School Board Meeting of 10-7-2025.
2. Consideration and Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports including Budget to Actual Comparisons for the Period Ending September 30, 2025.
3. Consideration and approval of the distribution of the Louisiana Department of Education Certificated and Support Staff stipends for the 2025-2026 fiscal year to City of Baker School Board Employees and approval of the transfer of remaining funds to Helix Community Schools. Stipend payments to staff and transfers to Helix Community Schools will be on or before November 25, 2025 in the amounts of \$2,000 for Certificated Staff and \$1,000 for Support Staff. Helix Community Schools agrees to disseminate stipends to Baker High and Park Ridge Academic staff according to LDOE guidelines.
4. Consideration and approval to transfer Louisiana Department of Education 2025-2026 Differentiated Compensation Allocation funds to Helix Community Schools to be disseminated to Baker High and Park Ridge Academic eligible teachers based upon criteria outlined in LDOE Differentiated Compensation Guidance.
5. *City of Baker School Board v. Board of Elementary & Secondary Education and GEO Academies*; Docket 761,785, Sect. 23; 19th JDC, Parish of East Baton Rouge, LA. Update on related information pertaining to the litigation. **Executive Session** may be required pursuant to LSA R.S. 42:17et seq.

F. Information Items

1. Report from Helix
2. Act 354 of the 2025 Regular Session
3. Policy Review:
 - a. B-2.2 Duties of Board Members

G. Announcements

1. Date of Next Meeting – December 2, 2025

H. Adjournment (Action)



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City of Baker School Board Meeting
October 7, 2025
6:00 p.m.
MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board held a meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7, 2025.

President Butler called the meeting to order and explained to visitors the process for speaking on action agenda items is to request a comment card from Mrs. Catrina Blackmore. Write your name on the card as well as the number of the agenda item you wish to speak on and return the card to Mrs. Blackmore. Shw will bring the card up to the Board President at the appropriate time. Visitors will be allowed two (2) minutes to speak.

President Butler welcomed all visitors and called the public meeting to order. She then took roll:

Perkins: Present
Profit: Present
Burgess: Present
Joseph: Present
Butler: Present

Ms. Butler announced there was a quorum, and the meeting would proceed.

Ms. Butler requested that everyone stand for a moment of silent meditation/prayer led by Mrs. Perkins, and the Pledge of Allegiance, to be led by Mrs. Joseph.

Approval of Agenda:

On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Mrs. Burgess, the Board voted to approve the meeting agenda. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burgess, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

Action Items:

1. Consideration and Approval of Minutes from the School Board Meeting of September 2, 2025

On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Mrs. Burgess, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the Board meeting of September 2, 2025. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burgess, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

2. Consideration and Acceptance of Monthly Financial Reports including Budget to Actual Comparisons for the Periods Ending July 31, 2025, and August 31, 2025.

On motion of Mrs. Burgess seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to approve and accept Monthly Financial Reports including Budget to Actual Comparisons for the Periods Ending July 31, 2025, and August 31, 2025. Voting yes: Profit, Butler, and Burgess. Voting no: Perkins and Joseph.

Linda Perkins provided a document: Requesting All Financial Records Dealing with the Construction of Baker High School, by Stuart & Company, from start to finish. (see attachment A).

3. Consideration and Approval of Policy Updates:

- a. B-7 Board Member Compensation
- b. B-12.8, Public Participation in School Board Meetings

On motion of Mrs. Burges, seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to approve the Policy Updates: B-7 Board Member Compensation and B-12.8, Public Participation in School Board Meetings. Voting yes: Profit, Butler, and Burges. Voting no: Perkins and Joseph.

4. Executive Session

- 1. City of Baker SB vs BESE, et al, Case No 761784, 19th Judicial District court, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana (Executive Session)
- 2. City of Baker SB vs BESE, et al, Case No 761785, 19th Judicial District Court, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana (Executive Session)

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to go into Executive Session. Voting yes: Profit, Butler, Burges, Perkins and Joseph.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to move to regular session. Voting yes: Profit, Butler, Burges, Perkins and Joseph.

Informational Items:

- 1. Report from Helix
- 2. Superintendent Report

Announcements:

- 1. Date of Next Meeting: November 5, 2025
(The Board agreed to change the date of the meeting due to election day being November 4, 2025).

Adjournment:

On motion of Mrs. Profit seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burges, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

October 7, 2025

TO: J. T Stroder, Brandon Decuir, Sidney Stewart

FROM: Linda B. Perkins

ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS DEALING WITH BAKER HIGH
SUBJECT: SCHOOL

This is a Public Records Request to get all the Financial Records/Reports dealing with the Construction of Baker High School, by Stuart & Company, from start to finish.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Linda B. Perkins". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "L".

CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD



**FINANCIAL REPORT INCLUDING BUDGET TO ACTUAL COMPARISONS
FOR PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

Presented November 5, 2025

CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD

Financial Report Summaries Including Budget to Actual Comparisons for Period Ending September 30, 2025

GENERAL FUND				
Description	2025-2026	2024-2025	Percentage	
	APPROVED Revenues/ Expenditures	YTD Revenues/ Expenditures	%	Change
REVENUES				
Local Sources				
TAXES AND STATE				
CONSTITUTIONAL TAX	320,452	2,770.90	-99.1%	
RENEWABLE TAX	2,450,931	21,177.21	-99.1%	
PENALTIES & INT-PROP. TAX	14,284	6,251.57	-56.2%	
SALES AND USE TAXES	4,971,300	452,506.24	-90.9%	
PENALTIES & INT SALES TAX	4,500	624.38	-86.1%	
MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT	50,000	1,299.08	-97.4%	
MFP-STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND	7,851,471	1,217,291.00	-84.5%	
OTHER RESTRICTED FUNDS THROUGH STATE	0	245,447.00	100.0%	
REV SHARING-EXCESS PORT	44,500	0.00	-100.0%	
SCA-SUPPLEMENTAL CHOICE ALLOCATION	32,000	0.00	-100.0%	
CDF-CAREER DEVELOPMENT FUNDS	25,000	25,000.00	0.0%	
INT ON INVESTMENTS	30,000	12,515.11	-58.3%	
FACILITY LEASE-HARDING STREET	240,000	40,000.00	-83.3%	
FACILITY LEASE-3200 GROOM ROAD	569,420	0.00	-100.0%	
MISCELLANEOUS/DONATIONS	1,000	70.87	-92.9%	
DIVIDENDS	25,000	0.00	-100.0%	
REIMBURSEMENT FROM CHARTER OPERATOR FOR RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS	350,000	0.00	-100.0%	
REIMBURSEMENT FROM CHARTER OPERATOR FOR SALARIES AND BENEFITS FOR LSERS				
ENROLLED EMPLOYEES	706,946	0.00	-100.0%	
ERATE	12,000	0.00	-100.0%	
Indirect Costs	33,000	0.00	-100.0%	
TOTAL REVENUES	17,731,804	2,024,953.36	-88.6%	
EXPENDITURES				
Instruction:				
Regular Programs	495,000	88,626.72	-82.1%	
Special Education Programs	0	3,535.62	100.0%	
Total Instruction	495,000	92,162.34	-81.4%	
Support Services:				
General Administration	790,184	190,092.27	-75.9%	
Business Services	101,630	28,127.92	-72.3%	
Plant Services	276,835	258,984.42	-6.4%	
Student Transportation Services	520,110	67,494.76	-87.0%	
Building Improvements (Plant Services)	195,000	109,698.42	-43.7%	
Debt Services	669,716	146,523.47	-78.1%	
Total Support Services	2,553,475	846,777.83	-66.8%	
Total Expenditures	3,048,475	938,940.17	-69.2%	
EXCESS of REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	14,683,329	1,086,013.19		
TRANSFERS OUT				
USDA SFS MATCH	10,234	0.00		
TRANSFERS OUT TO TYPE 3 CHARTER	12,398,939	2,887,352.97		
LOCAL REVENUE CHARTER SCHOOL TRANSFERS TYPE 2,5	2,965,410	0.00		
TOTAL TRANSFERS OUT	15,374,583	2,887,352.97		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	18,423,058	3,826,293.14		
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(691,254)	(1,801,339.78)		
Receivables Due from Type 3 Charter		203,507.56		
ADJUSTED CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(691,254)	(1,597,832.22)		

CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARIES INCLUDING BUDGET TO ACTUAL COMPARISONS FOR PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS						
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS APPROVED Account Title	2025-2026 APPROVED BUDGET	2025-2026 YTD Revenues	2025-2026 YTD Expenditures	2025-2026 Excess/ Deficiency	RECEIVABLES	ADJ EXCESS/ DEFICIENCY
CARL PERKINS	16,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FOOD SERVICE	908,010.00	0.00	27,827.28	(27,827.28)	0.00	(27,827.28)
IDEA PART B	217,215.00	0.00	4,372.33	(4,372.33)	4,372.00	(0.33)
SPECIAL ED - PRE-SCHOOL	6,897.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
IDEA 611 Set Aside	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
IDEA 619 Set Aside	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HIGH COST SERVICES	55,942.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HIGH DOSAGE TUTORING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY STATE DEVELOPMENT CLSD K-5	0.00	0.00	7,920.00	(7,920.00)	0.00	(7,920.00)
COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY STATE DEVELOPMENT CLSD 6-8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TITLE I	1,011,091.00	0.00	71,042.06	(71,042.06)	71,042.00	(0.06)
TITLE II	59,262.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TITLE IV	77,865.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SCHOOL REDESIGN	255,876.00	0.00	13,701.85	(13,701.85)	13,702.00	0.15
ED EXCELLENCE ENHANCEMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8g STUDENT ENHANCEMENT/PRE K	54,253.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LA - 4 Cecil Picard	175,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BAKER HIGH RESTORATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2,847,661.00	0.00	124,863.52	(124,863.52)	89,116.00	(35,747.52)

FILE: B-2.2

Cf: [A-4](#)

DUTIES OF BOARD MEMBERS

The members of the City of Baker School Board shall have authority only when acting as a Board legally in session. The Board shall not be bound in any way by any action or statement on the part of any individual Board member except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions from the Board.

No Board member, by virtue of his or her office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the schools or as an individual command the services of any school employee.

The duties and obligations of an individual School Board member may be enumerated as follows:

1. To familiarize himself/herself with school law, regulations of the Louisiana Department of Education, School Board policies and administrative regulations and procedures;
2. To have a general knowledge of educational philosophy, aims and objectives of the system;
3. To work harmoniously with other Board members without trying to either dominate the Board or neglect his or her share of the work;
4. To vote and act in the Board meetings impartially for the good of the whole school district, not just a particular school ~~district~~;
5. To accept the will of the majority vote in all cases and give wholehearted support to the resulting policy;
6. To represent the Board and the school system to the public in such a way as to promote both interest and support;
7. To refer complaints to the proper school authorities and to abstain from individual counsel and action; and
8. To act ethically in all matters at all times thereby representing the School District to the best of one's ability.

City of Baker School District