



City of Baker School Board Special Meeting May 14, 2025

MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board held a special meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 2025.

President Butler called the board meeting to order and explained to visitors the process for speaking on action agenda items is to request a comment card from Mrs. Debbie Dedeaux. 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. Dedeaux. She 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 to the meeting and took roll call:

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. Burgess.

Approval of Agenda:

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

Executive Session:

On motion of Mrs. Burgess seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to go into executive session to discuss the following:

1. City of Baker School Board vs Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, et al., Case No. 761784, 19th Judicial District Court, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana
2. City of Baker School Board vs Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, et al., Case No. 761785, 19th Judicial Court, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana

Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burgess, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to return to regular session. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burges, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

Action Items:

1. Consideration of Authorizing Special Counsel to Proceed with Executive Session Items.
On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Profit, the Board voted to authorize special counsel to proceed with filing an appeal. Voting yes: Profit, Burges, and Butler. Voting no: Perkins, and Joseph.
2. Discussion and Consideration of Approval of Application for Operation of Type 3 Charter Conversion of Existing Schools. On motion of Mrs. Joseph seconded by Mrs. Burges, the Board voted to approve the application for operation of Type 3 charter conversion of existing schools. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burges, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

Announcements:

1. Date of Next Meeting: June 3, 2025

Adjournment:

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Joseph, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m. Voting yes: Perkins, Profit, Burges, Joseph, and Butler. Voting no: None.

Submitted by J.T. Stroder, Secretary.