



Thursday, January 8, 2026

PPSB Regular Board Meeting- Woodland Central Office, 1484 Woodland Hwy., Rm. 100, Belle Chasse, LA 70037-6:00 P.M.

1. Opening Items

- 1.01 Call to order
- 1.02 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.03 Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum (or lack of Quorum)
- 1.04 Approval of Agenda
- 1.05 Nominations and Election of Officers for 2026

2. Recognitions and/or Presentations

- 2.01 The 2026 Louisiana School Board Member Recognition Month "Local Leadership, Lasting Impact"
- 2.02 Special Recognition of School Board Member Training Hours- 2025 LSBA Certified School Board Member-Superintendent Ritz. * Item presented after publication of the agenda.
- 2.03 Students of the Year District Winners- Presentation by Jamie G. Blanchard, CAO

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE YEAR: Zaria Bartholomew, BVES

MIDDLE/JR. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE YEAR: Gia Nguyen, BCMS

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE YEAR: Cormille Jones, BCHS

3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following committee meetings were held on Monday, December 15, 2025, at the District's Woodland Central Office, located at 1484 Woodland Highway, Room 100, Belle Chasse, Louisiana 70037: the Budget and Finance Committee, chaired by Board Member Kristee Arbourgh, and the Policy Review Committee, chaired by Board Member Jaime K. Sauer. Based on the recommendations of each respective committee, the following items are submitted to the full Board for consideration and approval.

- 3.01 (BUDGET) Discussion and/ or action regarding approval of Budget vs. Actuals-General Fund-November 2025 Katherine Phelan, CFO. Recommendation: APPROVE Budget vs. Actuals-General Fund-November 2025, as presented.
- 3.02 (POLICY) Discussion and /or action regarding approval of Policy Alert, October 2025, Legislative Update, Part II, Policy: IDDFC or Simbli 811.10- Cameras in Special Education Classrooms- Mary Ellen Hamner, Dir. of Special Education. Recommendation: APPROVE revised Board Policy: IDDFC with Simbli 811.10 verbiage, as presented.
- 3.03 (POLICY) Discussion and/ or action regarding approval of revisions to Policy Alert, October 2025, Legislative Update to Policy: GAAA- Equal Employment Opportunity - Nicole Parker, Dir. of Human Resources. Recommendation: APPROVE revised Board Policy: GAAA- Equal Employment Opportunity, as presented.
- 3.04 (POLICY) Discussion and/ or action regarding approval of NEW Board Policy: EFAB, Employee and Student Use of Artificial Intelligence, submitted pursuant to the Executive Order deadline of December 15, 2025- Superintendent Ritz. Recommendation: APPROVE NEW Board Policy: EFAB, Employee and Student Use of Artificial Intelligence, as presented.

3.05 APPROVAL of Consent Agenda Items

4. Other Board Action Items

4.01 Student Expulsion Appeal — To conduct a student expulsion appeal hearing, which may be held in Executive Session pursuant to the provisions of La. R.S. 42:17(A)(7).

4.02 Executive Session- Discussion of negotiations regarding potential extension of the Superintendent's contract, pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17. ***Information presented after publication of the agenda.**

4.03 Discussion and /or action regarding approval of Ad Hoc and Standing Committee Reports- Niko Tesvich, Board President.

4.04 Discussion and / or action regarding approval of minutes from the December 4, 2025, regular board meeting- Niko Tesvich, Board President.

4.05 Discussion and/ or action regarding approval of minutes from the December 10, 2025, special board meeting- Niko Tesvich, Board President.

5.Information Items

5.01 Sales Tax Report - September 2025

5.02 Check Register - November 2025

5.03 Head Start Budget Report - November 2025

5.04 Head Start Enrollment Update

5.05 Employment Related Action Taken by the Superintendent of Schools for the 2025-2026 school year -Information ONLY

6. Information and Announcements

6.01 Policy Updates- SIMBLI Section 600: Facilities, Grounds, and Equipment- Jaime K. Sauer, Policy Review Committee, CHR., Board Member, Dist. 2

6.02 Superintendent's Report

6.03 Board Members Non-Agenda Items

7. Date, Time & Location of Next Meeting

7.01 Next Meeting: Thursday, February 5, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the district's Woodland Central Office, located at 1484 Woodland Hwy., Room 100, Belle Chasse, LA 70037.

8.Adjournment

Please note: This meeting is livestreamed, and all comments must be made at the microphone. Please silence all cell phones and maintain appropriate decorum. Citizens wishing to speak on a Board agenda item must complete a public comment card, then come to the podium, state their name and address for the record, and limit remarks to three minutes.