

DRAFT:

The Morehouse Parish School Board met for a special board meeting on Monday, March 9, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at Morehouse Student Services Center, with the following members present: Karen Diel, Louis Melton, Robert Johnson – President, Rick Hixon, Debbie Wilson, Veronica Loche-Tappin, Vice-President, and Adrin Williams. Also, present Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr., Superintendent, and Steve Katz, Attorney.

President Robert Johnson called the meeting to order.

The next item on the agenda was the invocation led by Mr. Robert Johnson.

Next was a Roll call to Establish a Quorum: Present – Karen Diel, Louis Melton, Robert Johnson, Rick Hixon, Debbie Wilson, Veronica Loche-Tappin, and Adrin Williams.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss and consider the joint recommendation from the Louisiana Department of Education and the Recovery School District to enter into a management agreement with Third Future Schools for the operation of Morehouse Elementary School for a minimum of three years, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year. (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr. and Dr. Pam Schooler) There was a public comment from the Communi Health School Base nurse at Morehouse Elementary School. There was discussion for this item. ***On a motion of Mr. Rick Hixon to approve the joint recommendation from the Louisiana Department of Education and the Recovery School District to enter into a management agreement with Third Future Schools for the operation of Morehouse Elementary School for a minimum of three years, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, seconded by Ms. Karen Diel.***

Roll Call Vote:

Karen Diel-Yes

Louis Melton-Yes

Robert Johnson- Yes

Rick Hixon- Yes

Debbie Wilson- Yes

Veronica Tappin- Yes

Adrin Williams-Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mr. Robert Johnson, School Board President

Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr., Superintendent