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Mission: "Academic Excellence through Quality Teaching"
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DR. JESSE WINSTON, JR.
Superintendent

A **Public Meeting** will be held as follows:

DATE: November 10, 2026
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Morehouse Student Services Center
1607 Martin Luther King South
Bastrop, LA 71220

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. A moment of silence for –
   - Robert Jackson –Bus Driver
   - Shirley T. Smith- Retired Teacher
   - Joe Keys- Retired Bus Driver
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum
6. Approval of Agenda
7. Recognitions:
   - Employee of the month – Morehouse Magnet
8. Superintendent's Announcements – (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr.)

9. Approval of Minutes – The Regular School Board Meeting held on October 6, 2026 at 5:30 pm.

10. Approval of monthly Travel Requests – (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr.)

11. Approval of monthly Bus Requests – (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr.)

12. To receive the audit report for the 2024-2025 School Year with Carr, Riggs, and Ingram, LLC. (Presented by Mr. Josh Trahan.)

13. To discuss the Beekman Charter School renewal timeline and evaluation tool, which needs to be clarified between Mrs. Samantha Mann and Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr. (For discussion only, presented by Mr. Robert Johnson)

14. To discuss and take action regarding the BCS charter and to direct our administration to provide BCS administration with the tools needed for a review in a timely manner so action can be taken at the December meeting of the MPSB. (Presented by Karen Diel.)

15. To receive the report from the Finance and Advisory Committee meeting held on October 27, 2026.

The Finance and Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at 5:30 pm. Veronica Tappin – Chairperson, called the meeting to order. In attendance were the following: Louis Melton, Robert Johnson, Rick Hixon, and Adrin Williams. Mrs. Debbie Wilson was present, along with Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr., Superintendent, and Steve Katz, Attorney.

The following items were presented to the Finance and Advisory Committee:

1. To receive the Sales Tax Funds for September 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the Sales Tax Funds for September 2026, seconded by Mr. Louis Melton. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. President, I so move.

2. To receive the General Fund report for September 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the General Fund report for September 2026, seconded by Mr. Louis Melton. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. President, I so move.

3. To receive the School Lunch Fund report for September 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the School Lunch Fund report for September 2026, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. President, I so move.

4. To receive the East Morehouse Tax Fund report for September 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the East Morehouse Tax Fund report for September 2026, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. President, I so move.

5. To receive the quarterly and year-to-date budget-to-actual comparisons on the funds below: (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)

A. Sales Tax Fund- On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the quarterly and year-to-date budget–to–actual comparison for the Sales Tax Fund, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. President, I so move.

B. General Fund - On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the quarterly and year-to-date budget–to–actual comparison for the General Fund, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. President, I so move.

C. School Lunch Fund - On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the quarterly and year-to-date budget–to–actual comparison for the School Lunch Fund, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. President, I so move.

D. East Morehouse Tax Fund - On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the quarterly and year-to-date budget–to–actual comparison for the East Morehouse Tax Fund, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. President, I so move.

E. Special Revenue Funds - On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the quarterly and year-to-date budget–to–actual comparison for the Special Revenue Funds, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. President, I so move.

(Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)

Meeting adjourned.

16. To adopt the amended 2026-2027 Salary Schedules. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)

17. To approve the 2026-2027 certain Teacher and Support Staff Stipend Payment of $2000 for Classroom Teachers and $1000 for Support Staff as required by the Executive Order No. 2026-047. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)

18. To discuss and take action regarding awarding stipends to those employees not included in the stipend awarded by the Department of Education. (Presented by Ms. Karen Diel)

19. To receive the Discipline report for October 2026. (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)

20. To adopt amended policy JDD to comply with the mandates of the 2026 legislative session as a **"Second Reading".** (Presented by Mr. Steve Katz)

21. To hear from Ms. Kayla C. Norred requesting that her child be granted permission to enroll in the Morehouse Parish School District to attend Fresh Start Academy after being expelled from school in Jackson Parish and take any action appropriate regarding the request.

22. Public Comment: None for this meeting.

23. Personnel
    - Personnel Report (See Attachment)

24. **ADJOURNMENT**

Jesse Winston, Jr.

Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr., Superintendent
Morehouse Parish Schools

cc: Board Member
Central Office Staff
Principals
Legal Advisor
News Media

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