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Mission: "Academic Excellence through Quality Teaching"

Vision: "Continuing to a 'B' in 2026"

DR. JESSE WINSTON, JR.
Superintendent

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

DATE: September 15, 2026
TIME: **Immediately following the public hearing**
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 –
 - Rufus Martin – Retired Bus Driver
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum
6. Approval of Agenda
7. Recognitions – Central Office
8. Superintendent's Announcements – (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr.)
9. Approval of Minutes – The Regular School Board Meeting held on August 4, 2026 at 5:30 pm.
10. Approval of monthly Travel Requests - (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr.)

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11. Approval of monthly Bus Requests – (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr.)
12. To adopt the Morehouse Parish School Board 2025-2026 Revised School Year Consolidated Budget. (Requested by Ms. Ersula Downs and Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
13. To adopt the Morehouse Parish School Board 2026-2027 School Year Consolidated Budget Resolution. (Requested by Ms. Ersula Downs and Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
14. To discuss and consider the approval of the revised job description for the Business Coordinator Specialist position. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
15. To receive an update regarding Executive Order 26-047 Teacher and Support Staff Stipends (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
16. To present the LARMA, Crime and Cyber renewal and approve same and adopt the resolution for the 2026-2027 school year and authorize the superintendent to execute all documents necessary for renewal. (Presented by Mr. Rob Cowan)
17. To hear a presentation by Bretta Palmer of NativState, or her representative, regarding the Forest Management Plan and the Forest Management Plan Addendum for the Morehouse Parish School Board and the Memorandum of Understanding and for the school board to adopt the Forest Management Plan and the Forest Management Plan Addendum for the Morehouse Parish School Board and to approve the Participant Memorandum of Understanding with the Morehouse Parish School Board, NativState and F&W Forestry Services, Inc. and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign all necessary documents from time to time in order to implement same and to direct the Superintendent of Schools to continue the posting of the Forest Management Plan and the Addendum To Forest Management Plan on the Morehouse Parish School Board's website. (Presented by Bretta Palmer, RF or her representative).
18. To consider changing the November 5, 2026, board meeting to November 10, 2026 due to a conflict in schedules. (Presented by Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr.)
19. To accept the bid of \$83,150.48 per year for Agricultural purposes, for five years, Section 16, Township 23 North, Range 10 East, approximately 540 acres from Owens Farming Joint Venture (Scott Owens). (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
20. To accept the bid of \$96,251.00 per year for Agricultural purposes, for five years, Section 16, Township 22 North, Range 9 East, approximately 638.46 acres from Ricky A. McIntyre (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
21. To receive the report from the Finance and Advisory Committee meeting held on August 25, 2026.

The Finance and Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, August 25, 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. Also present were Mrs. Debbie Wilson, Dr. Jesse Winston, Jr., Superintendent, and Stephen Katz, Attorney.

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

1. To receive the Sales Tax Funds for July 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) *On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the Sales Tax Fund for July 2026, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously. Mr. President, I so move.*
 2. To receive the General Fund report for July 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) *On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the General Fund report for July 2026, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously. Mr. President, I so move.*
 3. To receive the School Lunch Fund report for July 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) *On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the School Lunch Fund report for July 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 July 2026. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs) *On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the East Morehouse Tax Fund report for July 2026, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously. Mr. President, I so move.*
 5. To receive quarterly and year-to-date budget-to-actual comparisons on the funds below. (Presented by Ms. Ersula Downs)
 - A. Sales Tax Funds
 - B. General Fund
 - C. School Lunch Fund
 - D. East Morehouse Tax Fund
 - E. Special Revenue Funds*On a motion of Ms. Adrin Williams to approve the quarterly and year-to-date budget-to-actual comparison Sales Tax Funds, General Fund, School Lunch Fund, East Morehouse Tax Fund, and Special Revenue Funds, seconded by Mr. Robert Johnson. None opposed; the motion passed unanimously.*
 6. Meeting adjourned.
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22. To receive the Discipline report for August 2026. (Presented by Mr. Ralph Davenport)
 23. To consider the adoption of the Delta Committee budget for 2026-2027. (Presented by Ms. Wendy Coleman)

24. To adopt a correction to policy JCDA, Student Code of Conduct, as a “**Second reading**”.
(Presented by Mr. Steve Katz)
25. To adopt amended policies EBBC, IDDFC, JGCE, JGCFA, GBRIA, GBRIB, JD JDE, and IDDF to comply with the mandates of the 2026 legislative session, as a “**First Reading.**”
(Presented by Mr. Steve Katz)
26. Public Comment: **3-5 minutes are allowed for comment.**
 - Rhonda Johnson would like to discuss school uniforms.
 - Sheneka Hatfield would like to discuss school security.
 - Juanetta Martin would like to discuss Special School Reason
27. Personnel
 - Personnel Report (See Attachment)

28. **ADJOURNMENT**



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

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

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