

# Board *notes*

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## Lafayette Parish Regular Board Meeting February 6, 2002

### **Board Recognizes Retirees**

The Lafayette Parish School Board recognized and honored employees who are retiring from the school system. As of December 2001, approximately 70 people have retired. These employees have contributed cumulatively 1,334 years of service to the students of Lafayette Parish.

### **Board Recognizes J.W. Faulk Elementary**

The Board recognized J.W. Faulk Elementary, and principal Janice Moncrief, for showing the greatest growth in Lafayette Parish on School Performance Scores. Faulk's School Performance Score showed growth of 18.6 points. The school surpassed its growth target by nearly 8 points, which earned it the growth label of Exemplary Academic Growth and made it eligible for rewards under the Accountability System.

### **BESE and State Superintendent Recognize Easton**

Judy Cox, Board President, and Burnell Lemoine, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, presented a plaque to Superintendent James Easton on behalf of State Superintendent of Education Cecil Picard and the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. The plaque recognizes Dr. Easton for outstanding leadership in guiding Lafayette Parish schools toward their accountability goals.

### **18 Schools to Receive Rewards under Accountability System**

Burnell Lemoine announced that 18 schools, which are eligible for rewards under the Accountability System, will be recognized during a reception on March 4 at the Lafayette Hilton. The 18 schools receiving rewards are L.Leo Judice Elementary, G.T. Lindon Elementary, Westside Elementary, L.J. Alleman Middle, Broussard Middle, Carencro

Heights Elementary, Judice Middle, Milton Elementary, Plantation Elementary, Lafayette Middle, Scott Middle, Ridge Elementary, Broadmoor Elementary, Carencro Middle, J.W. Faulk Elementary, E.A. Martin Middle, Ossun Elementary, and Youngsville Middle.

### **Board Recognizes Dana Schmersahl**

The Board recognized Prairie Elementary Principal Dana Schmersahl for the leadership shown during the recent tragedy of losing three students in a house fire. The Prairie teachers, students and staff showed their grief and compassion and bonded as a family during a memorial service for the three Faulk brothers who were killed in the fire, along with five other family members.

### **Board Appoints Principal for W.D. Smith Career Center**

The Board appointed Carol Vital as principal of the W.D. Smith Career Center. She most recently served as Assistant Principal of Lafayette High School. She has 27-1/2 years in education.

### **Board Approves Resolutions**

The Board approved two resolutions recognizing the week of Feb. 4-8 as School Guidance and Counseling Week and the week of Feb. 11-15 as Career and Technical Education Week.

### **Board Approved Reapportionment Plan**

The Board approved adoption of Plan 1B of the proposed Lafayette City-Parish Council/School Board Districts as reflected in the map and statistical information.

### **In other action, the Board:**

- approved corrections of the minutes of the

- Regular Board Meeting of 1/16/02;
- approved minutes of the Special Committee Meeting on Expulsion Hearings of 2/6/02;
  - approved the Sales Tax Collection Report for December, 2001;
  - received a Curriculum Update Report about the English as a Second Language (ESL) Program;
  - approved recommended personnel changes;
  - granted permission to advertise and fill the position of Assistant Principal II at Lafayette High School;
  - granted permission to advertise and fill the position of Clerical Assistant in the Special Education Department;
  - granted permission to advertise and fill the position of Electrician I in the Maintenance Department;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: EDCB-R - School Bus Discipline Regulations;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: GBBAB - Summer School Employment;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: GBMA - Voluntary Teacher Transfer Policy;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: IID - Test Security Policy;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: JBD - Pupil Attendance;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: JCAA - Due Process for Suspension/Recommended Expulsion;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: JCDAF - Unauthorized Presence on School Grounds;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: JCDB-R - Student Dress Code Regulations with revisions;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: JDD - Student Suspension/Expulsion Policy;
  - approved revisions to Policy File: JDH-R - Regulations for Administering Discipline for Fighting and/or Endangering Behavior;
  - approved a resolution authorizing participation in the Administrative Outreach Project;
  - approved the Special Revenue Funds Budget Revision #1 for Fiscal Year 2001-2002;
  - approved the Capital Improvement Fund Budget Revision #2 for Fiscal Year 2001-2002;
  - approved the General Fund Budget Revision #2 for Fiscal Year 2001-2002;
  - approved the Sales Tax Fund Budget Revision #1 for Fiscal Year 2001-2002.

