

# Board *notes*

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## Lafayette Parish Regular Board Meeting October 1, 2003

### **Board Recognizes Uniform Donation**

The Lafayette Parish School Board recognized Karl Breaux of Breaux's Mart for making a donation to five schools, in the amount of \$1,000, to assist students in need of uniforms. Breaux presented checks, in the amount of \$200 each, to Northside High, N.P. Moss Middle, J.W. Faulk Elementary, Evangeline Elementary, and Acadian Middle Schools. This is the sixth year that Breaux's Mart makes a \$1,000 donation for the purpose of providing uniform assistance.

### **Board Hears from Livingston Parish Superintendent**

The Board heard a presentation from Livingston Parish Schools Superintendent Warren Curtis regarding the MFP failure to provide funding for buildings and facilities. Livingston Parish and several other parishes are joining in a law suit to question BESE's omission of capital funding from the cost of a minimum program of education. Curtis asked the Lafayette Parish School Board to participate in the suit. Following the presentation, the Board approved a resolution joining in the suit against the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE), the State of Louisiana, and other appropriate parties to require BESE and the state to meet their Constitutional obligation to provide for and adequately fund a minimum foundation program (MFP) of education by including the cost of facilities and school buildings in the MFP for public elementary and secondary schools.

### **Board Approves Resolutions**

The Board approved a resolution recognizing the month of October as National High School Activities Month and acknowledging that participation in activities such as athletics, speech, music, debate, drama, spirit and others generally lead to positive

development and often lead to superior achievement. The Board also approved a resolution recognizing the week of October 20-24 as Red Ribbon Week and encouraged participation in drug prevention education activities, making a visible statement that Lafayette Parish Schools are strongly committed to a drug free community.

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

- approved corrections of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of 9/17/03;
- approved the Sales Tax Collection Report for August, 2003;
- approved recommended personnel changes;
- granted permission to advertise and fill the position of Clerical Assistant in the Federal Programs Department;
- granted permission to advertise and fill the position of Head Custodian I at Broadmoor Elementary;
- delayed approval of revisions to Policy File: JHF - Graduation Ceremonies until the Board could discuss the changes during a workshop;
- approved the purchase of computer software and supplies.

