

LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING ON EXPULSION HEARINGS

Wednesday, December 6, 2000 - 8:30 A.M., Board Room

Michael Hefner, Vice-President, Presiding

The School Board of the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, met in special session at its regular meeting place, the Lafayette Parish School Board Administrative Building, Board Room, Lafayette, Louisiana, on Wednesday, December 6, 2000 at 8:30 A. M., pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Hefner, Vice President, Judy Cox, Kay Gibson, John Earl Guidry, David Thibodaux, Board Members; Burnell Lemoine, Acting Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: Beverly Wilson, President

The Chair informed the Board that the meeting had been called for the purpose of hearing expulsion cases.

CASE #KMB

The Chair noted that it was 8:40 a.m. and the parents of Case #KMB, hearing scheduled for 8:30 a.m., were not present nor had they called to cancel hearing.

Motion (Guidry, Gibson) that the Board uphold Staff's recommendation that Case #KMB, 8th grade student at N. P. Moss Middle, be expelled and that the parents have five days from receipt of letter from the Lafayette Parish School Board to apply to the L.A.P.S. Program and if allowed to enter the L.A.P.S. Program that Case #KMB be provided intensive counseling by staff.

Before the motion was ruled on, the Chair noted it was 8:55 a.m. and they had not heard from the parents. The Chair called for a voice vote on the motion. Motion carried.

CASE #MS

The Chair asked the party involved if they wanted an open or a close session. The party requested that the hearing be held in open session.

Motion (Cox, Gibson) that the Board uphold Staff's recommendation that Case #MS, 7th grade student at Carencro Middle, be allowed to apply to attend the C.A.P.S. Program for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year. Motion carried.

CASE #JAS

The Chair asked the party involved if they wanted an open or a close session. The party requested that the hearing be held in close session.

Motion (Guidry, Gibson) that the Committee go in executive session to hear Case #JAS. Motion carried.

Thibodaux entered the meeting.

Motion (Guidry, Thibodaux) that the Committee reconvene to regular session. Motion carried.

Motion (Thibodaux, Guidry) that Case #JAS, 11th grade student at Lafayette High, be remanded back to the school level administration for further review and consideration of additional information or evidence in the case and if the school level administration does not vacate their initial recommendation that Case #JAS be allowed to apply to the C.A.P.S. Program with academic allowances being made according to Case #JAS's I.E.P. Motion carried. Hefner and Cox requested that they be recorded as voting NO.

CASE #WC AND #SC

The Chair noted that it was 11:15 a.m. and the hearing had been scheduled for 10:45 a.m. and that the parents of Case #WC and Case #SC were not present nor had they called to cancel the hearing.

Motion (Cox, Guidry) that the Board uphold Staff's recommendation that Case #WC, 7th grade student at Carencro Middle and Case #SC, 8th grade student at Carencro Middle, be allowed to apply to attend the C.A.P.S. Program for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year. Motion carried.

CASE #AJDJ

The Chair asked the party involved if they wanted an open or a close session. The party requested that the hearing be held in open session.

Motion (Gibson, Cox) that the Board uphold Staff's recommendation that Case #AJDJ, 10th grade student at Acadiana High, be allowed to apply to attend the L.A.P.S Program, that he remain at the L.A.P.S. Program for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year and thereafter, upon completing the criteria for the L.A.P.S. Program and approved by the principal and superintendent, Case #ADJD be allowed to return back to Acadiana High and that additional substance abuse counseling be provided to Case #AJDJ by the System. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

SIGNED:

/s/Michael Hefner, Vice-President /s/Burnell Lemoine, Acting Secretary-Treasurer

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