

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Wednesday, October 17, 2001 - 5:30 P. M., Board Room

Carl LaCombe, President, Presiding

The School Board of the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, met in regular session at its meeting place, the Lafayette Parish School Board Administrative Building, Board Room, Lafayette, Louisiana, on Wednesday, October 17, 2001 at 5:30 P. M., pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl LaCombe, President; David Thibodaux, Vice-President; Judy Cox, Kay Gibson, John Earl Guidry, Rickey Hardy, Michael Hefner, Edward Sam and Beverly Wilson, Board Members; James H. Easton, Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

I. MEETING OPENINGS

The meeting was called to order by LaCombe and opened with a prayer by Hefner. Cox led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

The Board recognized Stan Dutile, County Agent for Lafayette Parish. He presented the 2000-2001 Annual Report that recognizes the major efforts accomplished by LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service.

III. CORRECTIONS AND/OR APPROVAL OF BOARD/COMMITTEE MINUTES

A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:

a. Regular Board Meeting of 10/3/01

Motion (Hefner, Cox) that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 3, 2001 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF:

a. Special Committee Meeting on Expulsion Hearing(s) of 10/17/01

Motion (Sam, Cox) that the minutes of the Special Committee Meeting on Expulsion Hearing(s) of October 17, 2001 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS

A. APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF BILLS FOR AUGUST, 2001

- General Fund \$6, 588,600.57
- Special Revenues 4,333.00
- Adult Education 44,356.38
- Special Education 256,251.09
- Bond Sinking Fund -0-
- Consolidated School District #1 8.36
- Self-Funded Construction 116,524.49
- Construction Account 1998 Bond -0-
- Construction Account 1999 Bond 260,852.43
- Construction Account 2001 Bond 443,390.70
- IASA Title I (Federal Programs) 77,725.11
- Child Development -0-
- IASA Title II/Title IV/Title VI 14,738.23
- School Food Service 331,561.63
- Capital Improvement 72,442.74
- Employee Insurance Fund 1,919,959.53
- LPSB General & Auto Loss Fund 24,116.87
- LPSB Workmen's Compensation 126,523.19

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$10,281,384.32

Motion (Hefner, Hardy) that the Board approve the ratification of bills for August, 2001 as presented. Motion carried.

B. OTHER REPORTS

- a. None

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

- a. Curriculum Update - Instructional Technology

Donna Denny, Director of Instructional Technology, reviewed with the Board the highlights of the Instructional Technology Program.

Motion (Guidry, Sam) that the Board accept the report as presented.
Motion carried.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

a. None

C. OTHER REPORTS

a. None

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

That the Board approve the following personnel changes:

PERSONNEL CHANGES

RESIGNATION:

- CORTEZ, Ann, Speech Therapist - Carencro Middle (**Eff. EOD 09/28/2001 following Maternity Leave**)
- O'FRIEL, Jan, Teacher - Resource - K. Drexel Elem. (**Eff. EOD 10/12/2001**)
- HARDY, Jason, Teacher - Resource - Lafayette Middle (**Eff. EOD 09/21/2001**)

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENTS:

- GALLASPY, Karen, Teacher (Half Time) - Science/SS - L. J. Alleman Middle (**Eff. 09/21/2001 - 05/31/2002**)
- HORN, Steven, BS-OOSC, 6 Yrs. Exp., Teacher - Resource - Carencro Middle (**Eff. 10/02/2001 - 05/31/2002**)
- LOUVIERE, Kathleen, BS-LSU, Teacher - Resource - Lafayette Middle (**Eff. 09/27/2001 - 05/31/2002**)
- LEGER, Angie, BA-ULL, No Exp., Teacher - Math - E. A. Martin Middle (**Eff. 10/08/2001 - 05/31/2002**)
- BROUSSARD, Amy, BS-ULL, 1 Yr. Exp., Teacher - Lang. Arts - Milton Elem. (**Eff. 09/20/2004 - 02/27/2002**)
- DUNCAN, Amanda, BS-OOSC, No Exp., Teacher - S. J. Montgomery Elem. (**Eff. 09/28/2001 - 05/31/2002**)
- HALEY, Holly, BA-ULL, No Exp., Teacher - Elem. - Westside Elem. (**Eff. 09/18/2001 - 01/11/2002**)

TRANSFERS:

- KUNST, Paige, from Teacher - Elem. - Ossun Elem. to Teacher - Elem. - Alice Boucher Elem. (**Eff. 08/16/2001**)
- FONTENOT, Deeya, from Teacher - Resource - Broadmoor Elem. to Teacher - Elem. - Alice Boucher Elem. (**Eff. 08/16/2001**)
- HEBERT, Keisha, from Teacher - Kdgn. - Ridge Elem. to Teacher - Kdgn. - Alice Boucher Elem. (**Eff. 08/16/2001**)

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

VENTROY, Renee, Outreach Facilitator - Itinerant (Eff. 08/16/2001 - 01/11/2002 Session)

RECOMMENDED REAPPOINTMENTS:

- FUSELIER, Shelia, BA-USL, 5 Yrs. Exp., Teacher - Elem. - Alice Boucher Elem. (Eff. 08/16/2001)
- POE, Toni, BA-NLU, 5 Yrs. Exp., Teacher - Elem. - Alice Boucher Elem. (Eff. 08/16/2001)

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT:

AUZENNE, Terry, Program Supervisor I - Special Ed. Dept. (Eff. 10/18/2001 - 06/12/2002)

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT RENEWAL:

RATH, Annette, Asst. Prin. II - Carencro High (Eff. 02/12/2002 - 02/11/2006)

CLERICAL DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENT:

- MARKS, Antiolla, Cler. Asst. - Acadiana High (Eff. 10/18/2001)
- HUVAL, Bridget, Cler. Asst. - L. J. Alleman Middle (Eff. 10/18/2001)

TRANSFER:

RITCHEY, Jennifer, from Tea. Asst. - Carencro High to Cler. Asst. - N. P. Moss Middle (Eff. 10/18/2001)

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENT:

GREEN, Melissa, Account Clerk I - Business Dept. (Eff. 10/18/2001)

SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENTS:

- ALBARADO, Vanessa, Tea. Asst. - J. W. Faulk Elem. (Eff. 08/16/2001)
- THOMPSON, Ophelia, Tea. Asst. - Youngsville Middle (Eff. 10/01/2001)

RECOMMENDED REAPPOINTMENT:

WILTZ, Sarina, Tea. Asst. - N. P. Moss Annex (Eff. 08/16/2001)

DISABILITY RETIREMENT:

COLOMB, Verna, Tea. Asst. - J. W. Faulk Elem. (Eff. 07/24/2001)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

TRANSFER:

BROUSSARD, Tiffany, from Tea. Asst. - G. T. Lindon Elem. to Tea. Asst. - Myrtle Place Elem. (Eff. 10/04/2001)

CHILD NUTRITION DEPARTMENT

SERVICE RETIREMENT:

GREEN, Theresa, Child Nutrition Tech. - Truman Elem. (Eff. 11/02/2001)

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

SERVICE RETIREMENT:

DUHON, Clarence, Bus Driver (Eff. 11/04/2001)

B. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 10-01-1348 - NATIONAL DRUG AWARENESS AND RED RIBBON WEEK

That the Board adopt Resolution 10-01-1348 - National Drug Awareness and Red Ribbon Week.

RESOLUTION - 10-01-1348

National Drug Awareness Week Proclamation

"United We Stand-Drug Free"

WHEREAS, alcohol and other drug abuse has been identified as one of the greatest threats to the future of our nation, and the 15 to 24 year old age group is dying faster than any other age group; and,

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified preventive education efforts by community members be launched to reduce the demand for drugs; and,

WHEREAS, the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth, the State Department of Education and the Lafayette Parish School Board Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act

Program are sponsoring the National Red Ribbon Celebration offering citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug free lifestyles; and,

WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Celebration will be celebrated in every community in America during "Red Ribbon Week" October 22-26, 2001; and,

WHEREAS, business, government, law enforcement, schools, religious institutions, service organizations, youth, physicians, senior citizens, military, sports teams, and individuals will demonstrate their commitment to drug free, healthy lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign; and,

WHEREAS, the community of Lafayette Parish further commits its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Celebration; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board does hereby support October 22-26, 2001 as

RED RIBBON WEEK

and encourage citizens to participate in drug prevention education activities, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug free community.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, the undersigned Secretary-Treasurer of the Lafayette Parish School Board, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted at its Regular Board Meeting of October 17, 2001, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana, this 17th day of October, 2001.

/s/James H. Easton, Ed.D., Secretary-Treasurer

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Sam requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

C. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 10-01-1349 - WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP DAY

That the Board adopt Resolution 10-01-1349 - What I Want to be When I Grow Up Day.

RESOLUTION - 10-01-1349

WHEREAS, on October 31, students throughout America will be dressing up as an adult leader or professional they admire; and,

WHEREAS, this is an opportunity for elementary students to learn more about how these professionals spend their days in the working world; and,

WHEREAS, What I Want to Be When I Grow Up Day was pioneered throughout the Cajun Heartland School-to-Work Partnership located in Lafayette, Louisiana; and,

WHEREAS, this is an opportunity where elementary students learn what it takes (education, training, knowledge) to succeed in a particular career; and,

WHEREAS, October 31, is an opportunity for elementary students to dress up for their dream job; and,

WHEREAS, What I Want to Be When I Grow Up Day is a fun, safe and educational way to celebrate Halloween; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board will sanction elementary students in grades K-5, to come to school dressed as What I Want to Be When I Grow Up in place of the mandatory uniform policy on October 31, 2001; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board does hereby proclaim October 31, 2001, as

WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP DAY

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D. APPROVAL OF USE OF FUNDS FOR ERATE REFUND AWARD

That the Board approve their share of funding in the amount of \$32,899.50 in order to leverage the erate refund monies awarded to the Lafayette Parish School System for telecommunications to be installed at Truman Elementary, J. W. Faulk

Elementary, A. Boucher Elementary, Vermilion Elementary, Carencro Heights Elementary and Lafayette Middle.

Motion (Hardy, Gibson) that the Board approve Action Items A, C and D and that Action Item B be pulled for discussion. Motion carried. Thibodaux requested that he be recorded as voting NO on Action Item A. B. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION - 10-01-1348 - NATIONAL DRUG AWARENESS AND RED RIBBON WEEK

Motion (Hardy, Sam) that the Board adopt Resolution - 10-01-1348 - National Drug Awareness and Red Ribbon Week. Motion carried.

VII. REPORTS

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments were made by the public. No action was taken.

B. BOARD PRESIDENT/MEMBERS

Comments were made by the Board members. No action was taken.

C. SUPERINTENDENT

Comments were made by the Superintendent. No action was taken.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

IX. ADJOURN

There being no further business, it was moved by Guidry, seconded by Hefner and carried that the meeting adjourn.

SIGNED:

/s/ Carl LaCombe, President /s/ James H. Easton, Secretary-Treasurer

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