

LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 3, 2004 -5:30 P.M., Board Room

Michael C. Hefner, 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, March 3, 2004 at 5:30 P. M., pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Carl LaCombe (Death in Family)

I. MEETING OPENINGS

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

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Motion (Hardy, Guidry) that the Board add to the agenda, Mr. Robbie J. LeBlanc, candidate for Louisiana School Board Association District 3 Representative. Motion carried.

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

The Board congratulated the Northside High School Wrestling Team who captured the Division II State Wrestling Championship on Saturday, February 24, 2004 in Kenner. This is the first school in Lafayette Parish to capture a state wrestling title.

The Board recognized Mr. Randy LeBlanc, City Manager of Lafayette Bowling Lanes for presenting the five (5) high schools with a \$1,000.00 donation from the men and women's bowling leagues. This donation will assist the high school bowling teams with expenses that may have been incurred with the start-up of a new sport.

Also recognized was Mr. Robbie LeBlanc, Iberia Parish School Board Member, candidate for Louisiana School Boards Association District 3 Representative.

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

A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:

a. Regular Board Meeting of 2/18/04

Motion (Thibodaux, Cox) that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 18, 2004 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF:

a. None

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS

A. APPROVAL OF BILLS

a. None

B. OTHER FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Sales Tax Collection Report for January, 2004

Motion (Sam, Guidry) that the Board accept the Sales Tax Collection Report for January, 2004. Motion carried.

b. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

Motion (Sam, Gibson) that the Board accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2003. Motion carried. Thibodaux requested that he be recorded as voting NO.

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

a. Property Tax Renewals

This item was pulled from the agenda.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

C. OTHER REPORTS

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

That the Board approve the Personnel Changes as follows:

PERSONNEL CHANGES

(positions are funded via General Fund, unless noted otherwise)

NEW EMPLOYEES

Teachers

- KENNEDY, John, Teacher - Resource Math - Acadiana High (Effective 02/26/2004 - 05/28/2004)
- VERRET, April, Teacher - PE - J. W. James Elem. (Recommended Reappointment Effective 02/06/2004 - 05/28/2004)
- THIBODEAUX, Hope, Teacher - Math/SS - L.A.P.S. (Effective 03/01/2004 - 05/28/2004)
- DOOLEY, Delean, Teacher - Resource - Broussard Middle/Ernest Gallet Elem. (Effective 02/26/2004 - 05/28/2004)

EXITING EMPLOYEES

- BONHOMME, Emily, Teacher - Vocal Music - Carencro Hghts. Elem. (Service Retirement Effective 02/16/2004)
- SCHRICK, Elizabeth, Teacher - 1st - Ernest Gallet Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day 04/09/2004)
- VERRETT, Robert, Teacher - Math - Lafayette High (Expiration of Contract Effective 01/09/2004)
- O'QUINN, Beverly, Teacher - 6th - E. A. Martin Middle (Service Retirement Effective 03/15/2004)
- LeBLANC, Glenda, Teacher -Tutor - Vermilion Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day 02/27/2004)

TRANSFERS

- GASPARD, Heather, from Teacher - Kdgn. - L. Leo Judice Elem. to Teacher - K-3 - C.A.P.S. (Effective 03/01/2004)
- CONQUE, Cindy, from Account Clerk I - Business Dept. to Account Clerk II - Business Dept. (Effective 03/04/2004)

LEAVES REQUESTED

- BOGAN, Yvonne, Teacher - Kdgn. - Broadmoor Elem. (Leave Without Pay Effective 03/10/2004 - 05/28/2004)
- STUART, Robyn, Teacher - PE - J. W. James Elem. (Leave Without Pay Effective 02/18/2004 - 05/28/2004)

- TURNER, Ronda, Teacher - Math/SS - L.A.P.S. (Sabbatical Leave Effective 02/24/2004 - 05/28/2004)

RETURNING FROM LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

PREVOST, Paula, Cler. Asst. - Comeaux High (Effective 02/13/2004)

Number of full-time employees by funding source for February, 2004, payroll:

- General Fund (01).....3,692
- 2002 Sales Tax (15).....124
- Special Revenues (20).....25
- Consolidated Adult Education (30).....15
- Consolidated Other Federal (35).....7
- Special Education (40).....49
- LPSS Self-Funded Construction (45).....2
- IASA Title I (50).....90
- Child Development-Head Start (60).....84
- IASA Titles II/III/IV/VI (65).....36
- Child Nutrition (70).....205
- LPSS Group Insurance Fund (85).....2

TOTAL.....4,331

Total last month: 4,352

B. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER ASSISTANT JOB DESCRIPTION

That the Board approve the Special Education Teacher Assistant job description.

C. APPROVAL OF GROUP INSURANCE FUND 85 BUDGET REVISION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

That the Board approve the Group Insurance Fund 85 budget revision for fiscal year 2003-2004.

D. APPROVAL OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND BUDGET REVISION #1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

That the Board approve the Capital Improvement Fund budget revision #1 for fiscal year 2003-2004.

E. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS BUDGET REVISION #1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

That the Board approve the Special Revenue Funds Budget Revision #1 for fiscal year 2003-2004.

F. APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND BUDGET REVISION #2 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

That the Board approve the General Fund Budget Revision #2 for fiscal year 2003-2004.

Gibson requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

G. APPROVAL OF CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM FUND BUDGET REVISION #2 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

That the Board approve the Child Nutrition Program Fund budget revision #2 for fiscal year 2003-2004.

H. APPROVAL OF HEAD START BUDGET FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2004-2005

That the Board approve the Head Start Budget in the amount of \$204,000.00 and non-federal funds of \$51,000.00.

I. APPROVAL OF STAFF RAISES

That the Board approve a 2% staff raise for all employees.

Gibson requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

Motion (Hardy, Sam) that the Board approve Action Items A, B, C, D, E, G, and H, and that Action Items F and I be pulled for discussion. Motion carried.

I. APPROVAL OF STAFF RAISES

Motion (Guidry, Hardy) that the Board approve a 2.5% staff raise for all employees.

The Chair called for a roll call vote. Voting for were Cox, Gibson, Guidry, Hardy, Hefner, Sam, Thibodaux and Wilson. Motion carried. LaCombe was absent.

F. APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND BUDGET REVISION #2 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

Motion (Hardy, Sam) that the Board approve the General Fund Budget Revision #2 for Fiscal Year 2003-2004. 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 Hardy, seconded by Thibodaux and carried that the meeting adjourn.

/s/Michael C. Hefner, President /s/James H. Easton, Ed.D., Secretary-Treasurer

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