

LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 12, 2004 - 5:30 P.M., J. Wallace James Elementary School

Michael C. Hefner, President, Presiding

The School Board of the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, met in special session at J. Wallace James Elementary School, Lafayette, Louisiana, on Wednesday, May 12, 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 S. Gibson, John Earl Guidry, Carl LaCombe, Edward J Sam, David Thibodaux and Beverly Wilson Board Members; James H. Easton, Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The President called the meeting to order.

I. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion (Sam, Hardy) that the Board add to the agenda, Participation in Graduation Ceremony for Students Not Passing the Exit Exam. Motion carried.

II. STAFFING OPTIONS FOR THE 2004-2005 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion (Thibodaux, Hardy) that the Board keep the staffing levels the same next year (2004-05) as it is this year (2003-04) and if additional faculty needed for teaming and block scheduling, that staff go back and find other areas in budget to cut.

An amendment to the motion was made by LaCombe that the Board leave staffing at the current level and have staff bring information at next meeting regarding the above; that schools that want to go to teaming and block scheduling get with the Superintendent and come up with some suggestions to implement teaming and block scheduling, and that any additional staff or facilities would require action by the Board. Thibodaux agreed to add it to his motion.

A substitute motion was made by Guidry, that staff remain as is.

After some discussion, Guidry withdrew his motion.

A substitute motion was made by Gibson and seconded by Sam that the Board retain staffing levels at the 2003-2004 level for the 2004-2005 school year.

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

Motion (Gibson, Hardy) that schools that are not presently doing teaming and block scheduling be allowed to do teaming and block scheduling with present allocation.

After some discussion, Gibson withdrew her motion.

Motion (Hardy, Sam) that Board action be required for schools that want to do teaming and block scheduling.

A substitute motion was made by Cox, and seconded by Guidry that the Board approve schools that want to do teaming and block scheduling that they go ahead and do it with the staff they already have.

After some discussion, Hardy withdrew his motion and the substitute motion becomes the original motion.

After some discussion, Cox withdrew her motion.

Motion (Wilson, Thibodaux) that the Board allow Acadiana High, eight (8) additional teachers, Lafayette High School, nine (9) additional teachers and that Carencro High School use existing staff to do block scheduling.

Wilson called for the motion.

The Chair called for a ten (10) minute recess.

The Chair reconvened the meeting.

A substitute motion was made by Cox and seconded by Wilson that the Board reconsider the high school staffing level for 2004-2005 and approve Option B.

A motion was made by Hardy and seconded by Sam that the meeting adjourn.

The Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion to adjourn. Voting for were Gibson, Guidry, Hardy, LaCombe, Sam and Thibodaux. Voting against were Cox, Hefner and Wilson. Motion carried.

SIGNED:

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

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