

**LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, December 1, 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, December 1, 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, Carl LaCombe, Edward J. Sam, David G. Thibodaux and Beverly Wilson, Board Members; James H. Easton, Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

I. MEETING OPENINGS

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

The Superintendent informed the Board that he had pulled Chris Becnel Pratt, P.E. Teacher at Milton Elementary from the Personnel Changes.

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

The Board recognized Gigi Poglitch with Scientific Learning Corporation who awarded the Superintendent with the 2004 ET³ TEC Champion Leadership Award. This award is presented to pioneering leaders who have harnessed the power of technology to improve the quality of education for our underserved youth.

The Board recognized Justin Bordelon with Boy Scout Troop 156. He was in attendance to earn his merit badges on Citizens in the Community and Communications.

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

- A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:
- a. Regular Board Meeting of 11/17/04

Motion (Cox, LaCombe) that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 17, 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 October, 2004 - Gaudin/Meche
Motion (Sam, Gibson) that the Board accept the Sales Tax Collection Report for October, 2004.

Motion carried.

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

- a. Status of Early Childhood Program - Lemoine/Forsyth

Joan Daley, Principal of Truman Montessori Pre-K School, informed the Board that the Early Childhood Program currently has 815 students enrolled in eight schools. She also shared with the Board statistics of how well the program is doing in the state.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

- a. Job Description for Recruitment and Support Coordinator for Schools of Choice (Funded by Education Excellence Fund)

Discussion was held. No action taken.

- b. Job Description for Instructional Support Coordinator (Funded by Education Excellence Fund)

Discussion was held. No action taken.

- c. Capital Improvement Fund Budget Revision #1 for FY 04-05

Discussion was held. No action taken.

C. OTHER REPORTS

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

PERSONNEL CHANGES

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

NEW HIRES:

POSEY, Sr., Leon, Custodian - Alice Boucher Elem. (Effective 11/08/2004)
DAVIS, Nelson, Custodian - Charles Burke Elem. (Effective 11/18/2004)
REES, Giselle, Cler. Asst. - Comeaux High (Effective 11/29/2004)
SAMPEY, Tyra, Custodian (Part-Time) - K. Drexel Elem. (Effective 11/08/2004)
FALGOUT, Tanya, Teacher - Art - Lafayette High (Effective 09/30/2004)
SAMSONOVA, Svetlana, Tea. Asst. (SPED) - Lafayette High (Effective 11/15/2004)
BROUSSARD, Angel, Teacher - SS - Northside High (Effective 11/10/2004 - 06/01/2005)
BOUDREAUX, Lynette, Cler. Asst. - Prairie Elem. (Effective 11/29/2004)
DESHOTEL, Priscilla, Cler. Asst. - Woodvale Elem. (Effective 11/18/2004)
TAITANO, Tabitha, Cler. Asst. - Transportation Dept. (Effective 11/18/2004)

EXITING EMPLOYEES:

DENTON, Donald, Custodian - Charles Burke Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day 11/08/2004)
BROUSSARD, Judith, Comp. Proctor (H.O.S.T.) - Charles Burke Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day 12/17/2004)
DOMINGUE, Margo, Sec. II - Lafayette High (Resignation Effective End of the Day 10/08/2004)
FOGG, Amy, Teacher - Art - Lafayette High (Resignation Effective End of the Day 11/10/2004)
RIDEAUX, Genevieve, Tea. Asst. - Lafayette High (Resignation Effective End of the Day 11/09/2004)
TRAHAN, Anna, Child Nutrition Tech. - G. T. Lindon Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day 10/26/2004)
WINEY, Moquita, Teacher - Kdgn. - Ossun Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day 12/17/2004)
MILLER, Barbara, Child Nutrition Tech. - Ridge Elem. (Service Retirement Effective 12/04/2004)
LIVINGS, Shedrick, Head Custodian - Westside Elem. (Disability Retirement Effective 10/20/2004)
SAM, Monica Fisher, Bus Driver - Board Owned - Transportation Dept. (Termination Effective 12/01/04)

TRANSFERS:

GRAHAM, Amos, from Teacher - LD/Math - Northside High to Teacher - Math - Carencro High (Effective 10/11/2004)
LeBLANC, Cynthia, from Tea. Asst. - Charles Burke Elem. to Cler. Asst. - K. Drexel Elem. (Effective 11/29/2004)
KRIELOW, Karen, from Teacher - 2nd - J. W. Faulk Elem. to Reading Facilitator - J. W. Faulk Elem. (Effective 11/18/2004)
MENSMAN, Marjorie, from Teacher - 4th - J. W. Faulk Elem. to Teacher - 2nd - J. W. Faulk Elem. (Effective 11/18/2004)
DREWERY, Darlene, from Cler. Asst. - Prairie Elem./Westside Elem. to Sec. I - J. W. James Elem. (Effective 11/29/2004)
PRATT, Chris, from Teacher - PE - L. J. Alleman Middle/Milton Elem. to Teacher - PE - Milton Elem. (Effective 11/03/2004)

BENOIT, April, from Teacher - LD/SS - Northside High to Teacher - SS - N. P. Moss Middle (Effective 10/27/2004)

HEBERT, Michelle, from Counselor - Live Oak Elem./Prairie Elem. to Counselor - G. T. Lindon Elem. (Effective 10/25/2004)

SOILEAU, Susan, from Teacher - PE - Milton Elem./Myrtle Place Elem. to Teacher - L. J. Alleman Middle/Myrtle Place Elem. (Effective 11/03/2004)

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

BLANCO, Jimmy, Tea. Asst. - Lafayette High (Effective 01/12/2005 - 06/01/2005)

EXTENSION OF LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

BABINEAUX, Bridgette, Tea. Asst. - N. P. Moss Annex (Effective 11/12/2004 - 12/17/2004)

EXTENSION OF MATERNITY LEAVE:

WALTERS, Mauricia, Home School Liason - Evangeline Elem. (Effective 11/15/2004 - 11/30/2004)

RETURNING FROM MATERNITY LEAVE:

CAGLE, Ashley, Teacher - 1st - J. W. James Elem. (Effective 11/03/2004)

THOMAS, Cari, Truancy Intervention Specialist - N. P. Moss Annex (Effective 11/03/2004)

ARCENEUX, Tiffani, Teacher - 3rd - Westside Elem. (Effective 11/03/2004)

SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY:

GOTT, John, Teacher - Math - Carencro High (Effective December 2, 2004)

PRATT, Chris Becnel, Teacher - PE - Milton Elem. (Effective December 2, 3, 6, 2004)**(PULLED FROM AGENDA)**

MALBREAUX, Ezola, Tea. Asst. - Milton Elem. (Effective December 2 & 3, 2004)

DID NOT ACCEPT POSITION:

CHAISSON, Gilfred, Bus Driver - Board Owned - Transportation (Effective 11/10/2004)

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

General Fund (01).....	3,561
2002 Sales Tax (15).....	96
Special Revenues (20).....	23
Teaching American History Grant(25).....	7
& Small Learning Communities Grant	
Consolidated Adult Education (30).....	12
Consolidated Other Federal (35).....	7
Special Education (40).....	73
LPSS Self-Funded Construction (45).....	2

IASA Title I (50).....	92
Child Development–Head Start (60).....	85
IASA Titles II/III/IV/VI (65).....	31
Child Nutrition (70).....	197
LPSS Group Insurance Fund (85).....	2
 TOTAL.....	 4,188
Total last month:	4,175

Hardy requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

B. APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR TELESCOPING GYM BLEACHERS AT COMEAUX HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS’ GYM AND JUDICE MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM

Bids were received from:

D & A Associates

Hahn Enterprises, Inc.

Louisiana School Equipment Company, Inc.

That the Board approve the base bid, alternate one submitted by Hahn Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$82,023 for the telescoping gym bleachers at Comeaux High School Girls’ Gym and Judice Middle School Gym.

C. APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR RE-ROOFING OF THE WOODWORKING SHOP BUILDING AT THE W. D. SMITH CAREER CENTER

Bids were received from:

Morgan Roofing

Pellerin & Wallace, Inc.

Vaughn Roofing

That the Board approve the base bid, alternates one and two submitted by Pellerin & Wallace, Inc., in the amount of \$147,300 for the re-roofing of the Woodworking Shop Building at The W. D. Smith Career Center.

D. APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO POLICY FILE: DFA-E - MILLAGE RATES

That the Board approve revisions to Policy File: DFA-E - Millage Rates.

Motion (Gibson, LaCombe) that the Board approve Action Items B, C and D, and that Action Item A be pulled for discussion. Motion carried.

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

Motion (Hardy, Gibson) that the Board approve the Personnel Changes, and that any Suspensions Without Pay be sent to payroll, and that staff provide verification in the form of a memorandum to the Board.

A substitute motion was made by Guidry and seconded by Sam that the Board approve all the Personnel Changes with the exception of Ezola Malbreaux, teacher assistant at Milton Elementary.

After some discussion, Guidry withdrew his substitute motion and made another substitute motion.

A substitute motion was made by Guidry and seconded by Sam that the Board approve the Personnel Changes and defer action on Ezola Malbreaux, teacher assistant at Milton Elementary.

After some discussion, Cox called for the question.

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

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

SIGNED:

/s/ Michael C. Hefner

Michael C. Hefner, President

SIGNED:

/s/ James H. Easton

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

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