

**LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, January 4, 2006 - 5:30 P. M., Board Room

James H. Easton, Ed.D., Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent, 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, January 4, 2006 at 5:30 P.M., pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Earl Guidry, Edward J. Sam, Judy H. Cox, Kay Gibson, Rickey Hardy, Michael C. Hefner, Carl LaCombe, David 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 Easton and opened with a prayer by Cox. LaCombe led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**NOMINATIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT FOR 2006**

The Chair called for nominations for President for a one-year term.

Cox placed in nomination Gibson for President for a one-year term. Sam seconded the nomination.

Motion (Guidry, LaCombe) that the nominations for President be closed. Motion carried.

It was voted by acclamation that Gibson be elected President for a one-year term.

Easton congratulated Board President Gibson and turned the gavel over to her.

**NOMINATIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT FOR 2006**

The Chair called for nominations for Vice-President for a one-year term.

Hardy placed in nomination Cox for Vice-President for a one-year term. Hefner seconded the nomination.

Thibodaux placed in nomination Sam for Vice-President for a one-year term. Sam declined the nomination.

Motion (Hardy, Hefner) that the nominations for Vice-President be closed. Motion

carried.

It was voted by acclamation that Cox be elected Vice-President for a one-year term.

### **OFFICIAL LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Kay S. Gibson, President	District 9
Judy H. Cox, Vice-President	District 8
John Earl Guidry	District 1
Carl J. LaCombe	District 2
Rickey Hardy	District 3
Edward J. Sam	District 4
Michael C. Hefner	District 5
Beverly Wilson	District 6
David G. Thibodaux	District 7

## **II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

The Board congratulated the State Class 5A Finalist, Acadiana High School Wrecking Rams Football Team, who played in the Nokia Sugar Bowl Prep Classic, Class 5A finals in Shreveport, Louisiana on December 10, 2005. This was the first appearance for Acadiana High School in the state football championship. The Rams finished with a record of 12-2.

The Board recognized Kekst and Company, a financial communications firm from New York, for their donation of \$15,000 to the FRAN the Van Family Literacy Program, which will be used to buy books and promote literacy in Lafayette.

Also recognized was the Lafayette Parish School System for being honored as one of the national leaders in pursuing and achieving District Accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and the Council on Accreditation and School Improvement at the 2005 Annual SACS/CASI Annual Conference in Houston, Texas.

The Board congratulated Phyllis Bartlett, Director of Accountability, Louise Chargois, Instructional Supervisor and Katie Landry, Area Director for their assistance in Lafayette Parish School System being recognized as a quality system.

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

### **A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:**

- a. Regular Board Meeting of 12/19/05

Motion (Hefner, Cox) that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 19, 2005 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 November, 2005

Motion (Hefner, Hardy) that the Board receive the Sales Tax Collection Report for November, 2005. Motion carried.

**V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

**A. INFORMATION REPORTS**

- a. Curriculum Update

Carol Thomas, Special Projects Coordinator, provided the Board with an update on the Extended Learning and Tutorial Program. She informed them that many students have been assisted by these programs. A DVD of the programs was also shown to the Board.

**B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

- a. ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR FOR 2006-2007. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- b. SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2006-2007. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- c. BID APPROVAL FOR LAFAYETTE HIGH BOYS GYM BLEACHER REPLACEMENT AND RENOVATIONS. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.

**C. OTHER REPORTS**

**VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS**

**A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES**

**Personnel Changes  
January 4, 2006**

**New Employees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Note</b>
Plylar, Elaine	Broadmoor ES	SpEd Tchr Asst	1/5/2006	40	Replacing M. Ayoub
Fuselier, Raphael	Transportation	Board Bus Driver	1/5/2006	01	Replacing B. Brasseaux
Cormier-Zenon, Dolores	Moss MS	Curriculum Coord.	1/16/2006	65	Replacing L. Beaux
Victorian, Brandon	Scott MS	Science Teacher	1/12/2006	01	Replacing M. Punch
Aberly, Robert	Moss Annex	SpEd Tchr Asst	1/5/2006	40	New IDEA position
Dupuis, Rodney	Scott MS	Custodian	1/5/2006	01	Replacing E. Broussard
Barton, Teresa	James ES	Grade 1 Teacher	1/16/2006	01	Replacing A. Cagle

Soumeillan, Bridget	Lafayette HS	Math Teacher	1/3/2006	01	Replacing M. Cruice
Sellen, Angela	Lindon ES	Tchr Asst	12/9/2005	60	Replacing C. Moreland
Jones, Keisha	CAPS	Science/Voc Ed Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Replacing M. Dugas
Howe, George	Acadian MS	Science Teacher	1/12/2006	01	Replacing D. O'Pry
Landry, Arleen	Comeaux HS	Science Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Basic Allocation
Sias, Amanda	Comeaux HS	Social Studies Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Basic Allocation
Albert, Virginia	Moss Annex	SpEd Tchr Asst	1/5/2006	40	New IDEA position
Taylor, Brian	Moss Annex	SpEd Tchr Asst	1/5/2006	40	New IDEA position
James, Archie	Moss Annex	SpEd Tchr Asst	1/5/2006	40	New IDEA position
Davis, Elizabeth	Vermilion Conf Ctr	Custodian	1/5/2006	01	Replacing S. Morgan
Olivier, Nancy	Faulk ES	Speech Therapist	1/12/2006	01	Replacing A. Wallace
Cruise, Gary	Comeaux HS	Math Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Basic Allocation
LaFosse, Marietta	Carencro MS	HPE Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Replacing A. Trahan

### New Employees (resulting from enrollment of displaced students)

Name	Location	Position	Effective	Fund	Note
Pugh, Nicole	Lindon ES	Kindergarten Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Flot, Tiffany	Woodvale ES	Grade 4 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Lambert, Tonya	Woodvale ES	Kindergarten Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Alexander, Clara	Boucher ES	Grade 5 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Laurent, Julie	Boucher ES	Grade 3 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Lindon, Cora	Boucher ES	SpEd Tchr Asst	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Kovatch, Cynthia	Broadmoor ES	Grade 3 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Porter, Pamela	Broadmoor ES	Grade 4 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Bartlett, Keith	Vermilion Conf Ctr	Teacher/Tutor	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Crow, Elsie	Vermilion Conf Ctr	Teacher/Tutor	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Eubanks, Linda	Vermilion Conf Ctr	Teacher/Tutor	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Malveaux, Janie	Vermilion Conf Ctr	Teacher/Tutor	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Smith, Colleen	Ossun ES	Teacher/Tutor	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Daigle, June	Carencro Heights ES	Kindergarten Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Hebert, Marsha	Drexel ES	Grade 1 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Landry, Reba	Gallet ES	Grade 3 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Waguespack, Rachel	Milton ES/MS	Grade 3 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Hypolite, Kimberly	Westside ES	Grade 4 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Desormeaux, Michelle	Plantation ES	Grade 1 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Nabonne, Chantelle	Plantation ES	Grade 3 Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Gill, Ashley	Faulk ES	Kindergarten Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Robinson, Monique	Acadian MS	ELA Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Martin, Michelle	Acadian MS	SS/Science Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Elder, Alexis	Acadian MS	Math Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Cobb, Christy	Acadiana HS	English Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Smith, Bonnie	Alleman MS	Math Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Hypolite, Danalyn	Alleman MS	ELA Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Thornhill, Simone	Comeaux HS	Art Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Howard, Michael	Comeaux HS	Asst. Principal (Itinerant)	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Martin, Leslie	Comeaux HS	English Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
King, Mary	Lafayette HS	English Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Dennis, April	Northside HS	Physics Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Guth, Bradley	Northside HS	English Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary

Vincent, Mary Ellen	Northside HS	Business Education Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Walker, Tara	Youngsville MS	ELA/Math Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Wilson, Maria	Northside HS	Spanish Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Trahan, Bryan	Northside HS	Social Studies Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Lantier, Paige	Scott MS	ELA Teacher	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary
Desormeaux, Eric	Lafayette HS	Social Studies Tchr	1/5/2006	01	Formerly temporary

### Retirees Returning To Work

Name	Location	Position	Effective	Fund	Note
Foti, Betty	Ridge ES	Grade 3 Teacher	1/16/2006	01	Replacing P. Gisclair
Jacques, Vicki	Plantation ES	Gifted Tchr (1/2-time)	1/3/2006	01	Replacing C. Michot

### Employee Transfers

Graffeo, Paul: from Lafayette MS to James ES (Librarian); eff. 01/12/06; Fund 01; replacing J. Aillet  
Dugas, Mary: from Science/Voc. Ed. Teacher to Business Ed. Teacher (CAPS); eff. 01/05/06; Fund 01; replacing L. Dickerson  
Wallace, Alisa: from Itinerant Speech Therapist to Pre-K Teacher (Truman); eff. 01/12/06; Fund 60; replacing M. Bennett

### Administrative Contract Renewals

Name	Location	Position	Contract Term	Fund
Fruge, Stephen	Student Services	Program Coord.	01/05/06-01/04/08	01

### Temporary Appointments (Substitutes)

Name	Location	Position	From/To	Fund	Substituting for
Broussard, Mary	Broadmoor ES	Grade 3 Teacher	01/12/06-05/31/06	01	L. Dugas
Federico, Marleen	Ridge ES	Grade 3 Teacher	01/03/06-05/31/06	01	A. Bergeron
Judice, Stephen	Comeaux HS	Social Studies Tchr	12/01/05-05/31/06	01	A. Klenert
Gonzales, Lloyd	Lafayette MS	Social Studies Tchr	01/03/06-05/31/06	01	G. Guichard
Stelly, Mollie	Live Oak ES	French Teacher	01/03/06-05/31/06	01	H. Harrington
Habbit, Kari	Burke ES	SpEd Teacher	12/19/05-05/31/06	01	A. Plumber
Sherrill, Frankie	Milton ES/MS	Kindergarten Teacher	01/03/06-05/31/06	01	S. Breaux

### Leaves Requested

Name	Location	Position	Effective	Fund	Note
Christian, Dyshel	Judice MS	Tchr Asst.	07/17/06-05/07/06	01	LWOP
George, Georgie	Live Oak ES	Cafeteria Tech.	12/13/05-03/01/06	70	LWOP
Fontenot, Marguerite	Comeaux HS	Cafeteria Mgr.	12/01/05-05/31/06	70	LWOP
Kitchens, Marie Denise	Scott MS	Teacher	01/12/06-05/31/06	01	Sabbatical

### Exiting Employees

Name	Location	Position	Effective	Fund	Note
Michot, Carolyn	Plantation ES	Teacher	12/20/2005	01	Resignation
Baudoin, Leilani	Acadiana HS	Asst. Principal	1/12/2006	01	Retirement
Mills, Sarah	Moss Annex	Teacher	1/14/2006	01	Retirement
Harris, Ashton	Prairie ES	Custodian	12/20/2005	01	Resignation
O'Pry, Donovan	Acadian MS	Teacher	1/12/2006	01	Retirement
Gisclair, Peggy	Ridge ES	Teacher	12/21/2005	01	Retirement

Robin, Diane	P. Breaux MS	Teacher	6/1/2006	01	Retirement
Charles, Harry	Burke ES	Custodian	11/28/2005	01	Resignation
Harrington, Famee	Live Oak ES	Teacher	1/3/2006	01	Resignation
Punch, Marion	Scott MS	Teacher	1/12/2006	01	Retirement
Cagle, Ashley	James ES	Teacher	1/13/2006	01	Resignation
Mareschal, Anne	James ES	Teacher	12/20/2005	01	Resignation

LaCombe requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

**B. AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES BID**

Bids were received from:

AFP School Supplies	School Specialty
Avis Audio Visual Systems, Inc.	Tech Depot
Commercial Sales & Service	Valiant IMC
Demco	Terry Wall Enterprises, Inc.
J.E. Foss Company, Inc.	Troxell Communications, Inc.
Pyramid School Products	Ward & Associates

That the bid of AFP School Supplies on items 4S and 18S be accepted; that the bid of Commercial Sales & Service on items 7S, 9S, 29S, 30S and 31S be accepted; that the bid of J.E. Foss Company, Inc. on items 1S, 3S, 27S, 28S and 32S be accepted; that the bid of Pyramid School Products on items 13S, 14S and 15S be accepted; that the bid of School Specialty on items 19P, 32S and 33P be accepted; that the bid of Tech Depot on items 10S, 24S, 25S, 33S, 34P and 35P be accepted; that the bid of Troxell Communications, Inc. on items 2S, 3P, 4S, 8S, 9P, 10P, 11P, 12P, 16S, 17P, 18P, 20S, 21P, 22S, 23S and 26S be accepted; that the bid of Valiant IMC on items 1P, 2P, 5P, 6P, 7P, 8P, 11S, 12S, 13P, 14P, 15P, 16P, 17S, 20P, 22P, 23P, 24P, 25P, 26P, 27P, 28P, 29P, 30P, 31P, 32P, 34S and 35S be accepted; and that the bid of Ward & Associates on items 4P, 5S, 6S, 19S and 21S be accepted.

**C. CONSTRUCTION FUND BUDGET REVISION #1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006**

That the Board approve the Construction Fund Budget Revision #1 for Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

**D. GENERAL FUND BUDGET REVISION #1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006**

That the Board approve the General Fund Budget Revision #1 for Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

**E. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND BUDGET REVISION #1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006**

That the Board approve the Capital Improvement Fund Budget Revision #1 for Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

**F. RESOLUTION 12-05-1509 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE UP TO \$2,000,000 OF CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS, SERIES 2006**

That the Board adopt Resolution 12-05-1509 – Authorizing the Issuance up to \$2,000,000 of Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2006.

Wilson requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

G. RESOLUTION 01-06-1508 – DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. NATIONAL HOLIDAY

That the Board adopt Resolution 01-06-1508 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday.

Sam requested that this item be pulled for reading purposes.

Motion (Sam, Hardy) that the Board approve Action Items B, C, D and E, and that Action Items A and F be pulled for discussion, and that Action Item G be pulled for reading purposes. Motion carried. Thibodaux requested that he be recorded as voting NO on Action Item D.

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

Motion (LaCombe/Wilson) that the Board approve Personnel Changes as presented. Motion carried. Hardy and Thibodaux requested that they be recorded as voting NO.

F. RESOLUTION 12-05-1509 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE UP TO \$2,000,000 OF CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS, SERIES 2006

Motion (Wilson, Sam) that the Board adopt Resolution 12-05-1509 – Authorizing the Issuance up to \$2,000,000 of Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2006. Motion carried. Thibodaux requested that he be recorded as voting NO.

**RESOLUTION 12-05-1509**

**AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE UP TO \$2,000,000**

A resolution giving preliminary approval to the issuance of not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) of Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2006 of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana; providing certain terms of said certificates; making application to the State Bond Commission for approval of said Certificates; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

**WHEREAS**, Sections 2921 to 2925, inclusive of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (R.S. 33:2921-2925) and other constitutional and statutory authority, authorizes the Issuer to make and enter into contracts dedicating the excess of annual revenues of subsequent years above statutory, necessary and usual charges to the payment of the cost of public improvements which are to be borne by the Issuer under such contracts, provided all such dedications do not exceed the estimated excess of revenue above statutory, necessary and usual charges for the year in which such contract is made; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Parish School Board of the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer") desires to incur debt and issue not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) of its Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2006 (the "Certificates"), for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and improving school and school related improvements, including necessary fixtures, furnishings and equipment in connection therewith, and paying the costs of issuance, said Certificates to be secured by and payable from a pledge and dedication of the excess of annual revenues of the Issuer above statutory, necessary and usual charges in each of the fiscal years during which the Certificates are outstanding; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer is not now a party to any contract pledging or dedicating the excess revenues, EXCEPT for the Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2002, Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2003 and Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2005 (collectively, the "Outstanding Certificates"); and,

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer desires to make formal application to the State Bond Commission for approval of the Certificates, and further to employ special bond counsel in connection therewith; now,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** Parish School Board of the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, for school purposes, (the "Parish") that:

SECTION 1. Preliminary approval is given to the issuance of not exceeding Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000), aggregate principal amount of Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2006 of the Issuer (the "Certificates"), to be issued for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and improving school and school related improvements, including necessary fixtures, furnishings and equipment in connection therewith, and paying the costs of issuance thereof, said Certificates to be payable from a pledge and dedication of the excess of annual revenues of the Issuer above statutory, necessary and usual charges in each of the fiscal years during which the Certificates are outstanding. The Certificates shall bear interest at a fixed rate or rates not exceeding (6%) per annum, and shall mature over a period not exceeding ten years. The Certificates shall be issued in fully registered form, shall be sold to the purchasers thereof at a price of not less than 97% of par, plus accrued interest, and shall have such additional terms and provisions as may be determined by this Governing Authority.

SECTION 2. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special bond counsel in connection with the negotiation, sale, issuance and delivery of the Certificates, and accordingly the law firm of Foley & Judell L.L.P., of New Orleans, Louisiana, is hereby employed as special bond counsel to the Issuer to do and perform comprehensive legal and co-ordinate professional work with respect to the issuance and sale of the Certificates. The fees to be paid said attorneys shall be in accordance with the Attorney General's Guidelines for Fees and Services of Bond Attorneys for comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work in the issuance of revenue bonds, plus out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Certificates. A certified copy of this Resolution



shall be forwarded to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his approval of the employment and of the fees herein designated.

SECTION 3. Application is hereby made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for authority to issue, sell and deliver the Certificates.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Judy Cox, Kay Gibson, John Earl Guidry, Rickey Hardy, Michael Hefner, Carl LaCombe, Edward Sam and Beverly Wilson

NAYS: David Thibodaux

ABSENT: None

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

/s/ Kay S. Gibson

/s/ James H. Easton

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Kay S. Gibson, President  
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

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James H. Easton, Ed.D., Secretary-Treasurer  
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

G. RESOLUTION 01-06-1508 – DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. NATIONAL HOLIDAY

Motion (Sam, Hardy) that the Board adopt Resolution 01-06-1508 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 01-06-1508**

**WHEREAS**, contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. have had a significant impact on the Civil Rights Movement of the United States; and,

**WHEREAS**, all people of all creeds, colors, ethnic backgrounds, and socio-economic levels, can benefit from the principles that Dr. King preached; and,

**WHEREAS**, in this time of increasing violence, Dr. King's emphasis on nonviolence and calls for peace are even more poignant; and,

**WHEREAS**, in this time when many are again attempting to focus on ethnicity and race as primary considerations, the message of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. that people should "...not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character..." can and should provide enlightened guidance; and,

**WHEREAS**, in this time when so many seemed determined to tear apart the fabric of our society, Dr. King's plea for all Americans to transcend the things which separate and divide us so that we might reach that spiritual plateau where we can celebrate our common humanity assumes an even greater urgency; and,

**WHEREAS**, in this time when so many choose to criticize and belittle this country, Dr. King's references to America and "...the magnificent words of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence..." as positive ideals devoutly to be embraced and good ideas enthusiastically to be pursued can and should provide refreshing insight into the wonder and glory of our nation; and,

**WHEREAS**, students and the general public will be able to participate in a variety of activities sponsored by the Lafayette Martin Luther King Holiday Committee; now,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Lafayette Parish School Board does hereby support January 16, 2006, the national holiday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and directs our administrators and teachers to remember this famous American through appropriate classroom and school activities which focus upon his dream of unity and brotherhood of all Americans.

#### 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 January 4, 2006, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana,  
this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

/s/ James H. Easton

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James H. Easton, Ed.D, Secretary-Treasurer  
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

#### **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 Sam, and carried that the meeting adjourn.

SIGNED:

/s/ Kay S. Gibson

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Kay S. Gibson, President  
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

SIGNED:

/s/ James H. Easton

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James H. Easton, Ed.D., Secretary-Treasurer  
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

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