

**LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, January 9, 2008 - 5:30 P. M., Board Room

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer, 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 9, 2008 at 5:30 P.M. pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl J. LaCombe; Gregory Awbrey, Hunter Beasley, Mark Babineaux, Mark Cockerham, Michael Hefner, Edward Sam, and Rae Trahan, Board Members; Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

I. MEETING OPENINGS

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

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

A. Nominations of School Board President for 2008

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

Hefner placed in nomination Carl LaCombe for president for a one-year term because of the excellent job he has been doing representing the Board and has shown steady leadership which will be needed for the coming year. Sam seconded the nomination.

It was moved by Hefner, and seconded by Awbrey and carried that the nominations for president be closed and that LaCombe be elected by acclamation. Motion carried.

Lemoine congratulated the new President and turned the meeting over to him.

B. Nominations of School Board Vice-President for 2008

The Chair called for nominations for vice-president for a one-year term.

Beasley placed in nomination Greg Awbrey for vice-president for a one-year term. Cockerham seconded the nomination.

It was moved by Hefner, seconded by Babineaux and carried that the nominations for vice-president be closed and that Awbrey be elected by acclamation. Motion carried.

OFFICIAL LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS

Carl J. LaCombe, President	District 2
Gregory Awbrey, Vice-President	District 6
Mark Babineaux	District 1
Edward J. Sam	District 4
Michael C. Hefner	District 5
Mark Cockerham	District 7
Hunter Beasley	District 8
Rae B. Trahan	District 9

- C. Recognition of Acadiana High School Wrecking Rams Football Team 2007 LHSAA Class 5A State Runners-up

The Board congratulated the Acadiana High School Wrecking Rams Football Team for finishing as state runners-up at the LHSAA Superdome Classic Class 5A Finals in New Orleans on December 8, 2007.

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

- A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:

- a. Regular Board Meeting of 12/5/07

Motion (Sam, Cockerham) that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 5, 2007 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

- b. Special Board Meeting of 12/20/07

Motion (Hefner, Trahan) that the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of December 20, 2007 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

- B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF:

- a. None

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS

- A. APPROVAL OF BILLS

- a. APPROVAL OF BILLS October, 2007

General Fund.....	\$12,049,220.80
Special Revenues	141,056.82
Consolidated Direct Federal	90,164.72
Adult Education	115,553.76
Consolidated Other Federal	49,212.75
Special Education.....	241,153.63
Bond Sinking Fund.....	300.00

Consolidated School District #1	-0-
Self-Funded Construction	45,734.66
Construction Account 1999 Bond.....	-0-
Construction Account 2001 Bond.....	-0-
IASA Title I (Federal Programs)	196,077.50
Consolidated Other State	7,027.68
Child Development	54,466.36
IASA Title II/Title IV/Title VI	30,583.11
School Food Service	644,057.82
Capital Improvement	761,796.85
Employee Insurance Fund.....	2,784,458.41
LPSB General & Auto Loss Fund	25,594.75
LPSB Workmen's Compensation.....	280,361.36
 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....	 \$17,516,820.98

Motion (Hefner, Cockerham) that the Board approve the Ratification of Bills for October, 2007.
Motion carried.

B. OTHER FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Sales Tax Collection Report for November, 2007

Motion (Awbrey, Sam) that the Board accept the Sales Tax Collection Report for November, 2007. Motion carried.

b. Ratification of Purchases for November, 2007

Motion (Beasley, Hefner) that the Board accept the Ratification of Purchases for November, 2007. Motion carried.

c. Summary of Grant Funding and Activity

Motion (Hefner, Cockerham) that the Board accept the Summary of Grant Funding and Activity. Motion carried.

d. Budget-to-Actual Status Report

Motion (Babineaux, Awbrey) that the Board accept the Budget-to-Actual Status Report. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Beasley and seconded by Sam that the Board move Introduction Items: Permission to Approve the Revisions to the Carpenter I Job Description and Permission to Approve the Revisions to the Custodian Job Description to the Action Agenda. Motion carried.

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

a. Curriculum Update

Louise Chargois, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, presented the Board with a Curriculum Update on Principal-Centered Leadership Institute. The purpose of the institute is to ensure that aspiring administrators acquire the crucial foundation “standards of accountability” skills necessary to become a successful instructional leader, and prepares and equips future principals with current information, skills, and tools for effective leadership.

b. Magnet Schools A+ Access Grant

Burnell LeJeune, Director of Career and Technical Education/Schools of Choice, informed the Board that in October, 2007 the District received a 9.23 million dollar magnet school grant to expand the Schools of Choice program. A Lafayette Delegation went to Washington, D.C., including Mr. LaCombe as a representative of the Board, and upon returning to the District, a specific budget was developed as required by the grant, including negotiations with the U.S. Department of Education.

The District has developed a detailed guide outlining details such as goals, objectives, timelines, budget and staff development. Meetings with principals are being held to review the packet of information. All positions meet the requirements as outlined in the grant and all are being paid by the grant.

c. N. P. Moss Middle School Update

The Superintendent informed the Board that things were running smoothly and he thanked everyone who worked during the holidays to make certain that students and staff were in place. He also commented on how well the Open House at Good Hope Baptist Church and Northside High School had been.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

a. Modular Buildings Bid

A motion was made by Beasley and seconded by Sam that this item be moved to the Action Agenda. Motion carried.

b. 403B Program Administration. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.

c. Permission to Approve the Revisions to the Carpenter I Job Description. Moved to action.

d. Permission to Approve the Revisions to the Custodian Job Description. Moved to action.

C. OTHER REPORTS

a. None

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL CHANGES

January 9, 2008

New Employees

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Angers, Abby	Gallet ES	Gr. 2 Teacher	01/07/08	01	Replacing H. DuPriest
Babineaux, Lindsey	Scott Middle	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	12/10/07	40	New Position
*Cassidy, Lynn	Human Resources	Secretary I	01/10/08	01	Replacing H. Moore
Davis, John	Alleman/Martin MS	Custodian	12/03/07	01	Board Approved Position
*Duhon, Gervis	Instructional Services	Magnet Grant Prog. Dir.	01/10/08	57	Duration of Life of Grant
Foster, Terry	Technology Dept.	Computer/Network Tech.	01/10/08	01	New Position
Martin, Linda	N. P. Moss MS	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	01/08/08	01	Replacing R. Gordon
Mott, Tanisha	N. P. Moss MS	Tea. Asst.	01/08/08	25	MARK Mentoring Grant
Pippin, Allen	Judice MS	Custodian	12/10/07	01	Replacing D. Washington
Sadou, Roumana	Prairie ES	Tea. Asst. Fr. Immersion	01/08/08	01	Replacing P. Cheramie
Simar, Mark	Technology Dept.	Computer/Network Tech.	01/10/08	01	New Position
Trahan, Ann	Carencro Hgts. ES	Part-Time Cler., Asst.	11/29/07	01	Replacing C. Pittman
Walters, Vince	Maintenance Dept.	Mechanic II	12/17/07	01	Replacing F. Shelvin, Sr.
Watson, Jonathan	Transportation Dept.	Asst. Dir. of Transportation	01/10/08	01	New Position
Williams, III, Harold	Maintenance Dept.	HVAC I	01/08/08	01	Replacing M. Hypolite
Williams, Mary	Broussard MS	Tea. Asst.	01/08/08	25	MARK Mentoring Grant

Employee Transfers

<i>Name</i>	<i>From/To</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Andrus, Diane	Moss MS to Lead Teacher Alternative Program	01/07/08	01	New Position
Babineaux, Michael	Federal-Assessment Coord. to NCLB Specialist	01/10/08 – 01/09/10	01	Replacing P. Bartlett
Duplechin, Rachel	ELA to Curr. Coord - Lafayette Middle	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	01	Replacing J. Debetaz
Kovarik, Timothy	Band/Comeaux HS to Band/J. W. James ES	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	01	Replacing E. Gray
Marix, Kay	Principal II to Instructional Supervisor	01/10/08 – 01/09/10	01	New Position
Marshall, Kenneth	S.E.A.S. to Carencro HS SpEd. Tea. Asst.	01/08/08 – 05/26/08	01	Replacing S. Franks

One-Year Appointments & Substitutes

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Contract Term</i>	<i>Note</i>
Anthony, Mary	Acadian MS	Gr. 8 English Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing K. Denison
Bahlawan, Charmaine	Westside ES	Gr. 3 Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing W. Dronet
Barrere, Donna	Moss MS	Gr. 7 Lang. Arts Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing E. Falgout
Benoit, Amy	Live Oak ES	Gr. 5 Teacher	11/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing S. Elter
Brimmage, Kelly	Moss MS	M/M Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing G. Bray
Broussard, Elizabeth	K. Drexel ES	Gr. 1 Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing T. Trahan
Buller, James	Acadiana HS	English	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing E. Nehrbass
Citrano, Calyn	Ossun ES	Gr. 4 Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing A. Messa
Comeaux, Martha	Acadian MS	Gr. 8 Lang. Arts Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing J. Pope
Cook, Sari	J. W. James ES	Gr. 2 Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing M. Thibodeaux
D'Avy, Zeke	Acadiana HS	Biology/Keystone	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing C. Kidd
Darbonne, Katie	Boucher ES	Gr. 3 Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing S. Williams
Domangue, Kimberly	Ridge ES	Gr. 2 Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing M. Shoemaker
Duhon, Callie	Milton ES	Gr. K Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing F. Sherriel
Font, Lindsey	Scott MS	Gr. 8 Science Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing D. O'Pry
*Graham, Amos	Lafayette MS	Gr. 6 Math Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing N. DeJean
Guidry, Angel	Martin MS	Gr. 5 Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing P. Cramer
Guillory, Sara	Boucher ES	Gr. 2 Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing L. Ousse
Hargrave, Chad	Duson ES	PE Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing L. Jackson
Hebert, Lane	Westside ES	Gr. 2 Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing M. Landry
Hintze, Elizabeth	Comeaux HS	English Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing T. Nolan
Kent, Donald	Carencro MS	Science Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing A. Anderson
Landry, Amy	Burke/Prairie ES	Band Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing C. Cart
Latiolais, Chad	Alleman MS	PE Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing D. Garner

LeJeune, Barbara	Milton ES	ELA Teacher	12/13/07 – 05/26/28	Replacing R. Benoit
Manuel, Shalita	J. W. Faulk ES	Gr. 1 Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing L. Helmick
*McGlorie, Mary	Boucher ES	Gr. K Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing C. Anselmo
Motty, Henry	Youngsville MS	Gr. 8 Social Studies Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing K. Roebuck
Mouton, Christine	Myrtle Place ES	Gr. 5 Teacher	12/10/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing T. Pekar
Ny, Michelle	Live Oak ES	Resource	11/12/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing G. Rodrigue
Pearce, Shelly	K. Drexel ES	Gr. K Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing H. Gardiner
Quereau, Michelle	Northside HS	English Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing C. Hanks
Simeral, Kellie	Moss MS	Gr. 6 Lang. Arts Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Vacant Position
Talley, Brittany	Ossun ES	Title II Tutor	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing L. Frank
Terro, Kirsten	Burke ES	Gr. 4 Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing S. Reese
Trahan, Mary	N. P. Moss MS	Gr. 6 Science Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Vacant Position
Turner, Abigail	Carencro MS	Gr 6 Math Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing A. Louviere
Van Wick, Frances	Montgomery ES	Hearing Impaired	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Open Position
Veronie, Marissa	Lafayette MS	English Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing R. Duplechin
Veselka, Stephanie	Boucher ES	Gr. K Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing P. Pucheau
Webb, Lindsay	Westside ES	Gr. 1 Teacher	12/17/07 – 05/26/08	Replacing T. Cole
Williams, Lynette	Youngsville MS	PE	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing M. Blanchet
Williamson, Leslie	Youngsville MS	Gr. 7 Science Teacher	01/07/08 – 05/26/08	Replacing S. Stokley

Other Action

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Note</i>
Caston, Jennifer	Broussard MS	Gr. 6 ELA Teacher	01/07/08	Returning from Sabbatical Leave
Clark, Jena	Moss MS	Reading Teacher	12/18/07	Change from Fund 25 to Fund 01
Garbarino, Stacey	Carencro HS	Math Teacher	01/07/08	Returning from Sabbatical Leave
Lantier, Yvette	Acadiana HS	Math Teacher	01/07/08	Returning from Sabbatical Leave
McDowell, Sharon	Evangeline ES	SpEd Tea. Asst.	01/08/08	Returning from Leave Without Pay
Motte, Ebony	Broussard MS	Gr. 7 Science Teacher	01/07/08	Returning from Sabbatical Leave
Neto, Pauline	P. Breaux MS	French Teacher	01/07/08	Returning from Sabbatical Leave
Sonnier, Kelly	Carencro MS	Reading Teacher	12/18/07	Change from Fund 25 to Fund 01
Terro, Renee	P. Breaux MS	Reading Teacher	12/18/07	Change from Fund 25 to Fund 01
Willis, Elizabeth	Burke ES	Gr. 2 Teacher	01/07/08	Returning from Sabbatical Leave
Wilson, Curtis	Moss MS	Science Teacher	12/18/07	Rescinding Sabbatical Leave

Leaves Requested

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Note</i>
Clark, Zula	Gallet ES	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	03/31/08 – 12/04/08	Leave Without Pay
DeRouen, Mary	Burke ES	Gr. 2 Teacher	01/08/08 – 05/26/08	Sabbatical Leave
Duhon, Jacqueline	Plantation ES	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	12/10/07 – 02/29/08	Leave Without Pay
Porche, Julianna	K. Drexel Elem.	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	01/21/08 – 05/09/08	Leave Without Pay

Exiting Employees

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Anderson, Antiolla	Carencro MS	Science Teacher	12/21/07	01	Resignation
Cheremie, Paul	Prairie Elem.	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	11/30/07	01	Resignation
Denson, Kimberlie	Acadian MS	Gr. 8 ELA Teacher	12/18/07	01	Resignation
Dronet, Wendy	Westside Es	Gr. 3 Teacher	12/17/07	01	Resignation
DuPriest, Holly	Gallet ES	Gr. K Teacher	12/21/07	01	Resignation
Glaude, Pearl	Faulk ES	SFS Technician	02/12/08	01	Retirement
Hanks, Clayton	Northside HS	English Teacher	01/09/08	01	Retirement
Jin, Lina	Martin MS	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	12/21/07	01	Resignation
Keal, Mary	Ossun /Scott MS	Custodian	11/30/07	01	Resignation
Lasseigne, Shannon	S.E.A.S.	SpEd. Tea. Asst.	12/04/07	40	Resignation
Maggio, Kathy	Plantation ES	Speech Therapist	12/21/07	01	Resignation

Thompson, Debra Lafayette MS Resource Teacher 11/30/07 01 Resignation

***Retiree Returning to Work**

Number of Full-Time, Active Employees by Funding Source as of December 20, 2007

General Fund (01)	3411
2002 Sales Tax (15)	99
Special Revenues (20)	19
Other Grants (25)	35
Consolidated Adult Education (3)	9
Consolidated Other Federal Programs (35)	1
Special Education (40)	120
Self-Funded Construction (45)	1
IASA Title I (50)	80
Consolidated Other State (55)	10
Child Development & Head Start (60)	76
IASA Titles II/III/IV/VI (65)	31
Child Nutrition (70)	193
Group Insurance Fund (85)	2
Magnet Grant (57)	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	4,088
Total last month	4,076
Total year ago	4,260

B. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL II – PLANTATION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Principal II – Plantation Elementary School.

C. WAREHOUSE BID

Bids received from:

AFP School Supplies	Quill Office Products
Corporate Express	School Specialty
Pyramid School Products	Standard Stationery

That the bid of Pyramid School Products on items 6-41 be accepted; and that the bid of Corporate Express on items 1, 4, 5 and 42 be accepted. No bids were received on items 2 and 3.

D. AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES BID

Bids received from:

AFP School Supplies	Highsmith, Inc.	Terry Wall Enterprises, Inc.
Audio Video Systems, Inc.	J.E. Foss Company, Inc.	Troxell Communications, Inc.
B & H Photo	Long's Electronic	Valiant International
Childcraft Education	Pyramid	VSA Inc.
Dell Marketing, LP	Quill	Ward & Associates
Gaylord Brothers	TechDepot	

That the bid of AFP School Supplies on items 1P, 2P and 14S be accepted; that the bid of Audio Video Systems, Inc. on items 9P, 18S and 20P be accepted; that the bid of B & H Photo on item 3P be

accepted; that the bid of Dell Marketing, LP on items 9S and 13P be accepted; that the bid of Pyramid on items 1S, 2S, 7S, 10S, 11S and 12S be accepted; that the bid of TechDepot on items 8P, 15P, 20S and 32P be accepted; that the bid of Troxell Communications, Inc. on items 3S, 4S, 8S, 15S, 16P, 19P, 22P, 27P, 28P and 29P be accepted; that the bid of Valiant International on items 4P, 5S, 6S, 10P, 11P, 12P, 13S, 14P, 17P, 18P, 36P and 37S be accepted; that the bid of VSA Inc. on items 36S and 37P be accepted; and that the bid of Ward & Associates be accepted on items 5P, 6P, 7P, 16S and 17S be accepted.

- E. RESOLUTION 01-08-1589 – DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY
That the Board adopt Resolution 01-08-1589 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

Sam requested that this item be pulled for reading purposes.

- F. APPROVAL OF THE STAFF ALLOCATION FORMULAS
That the Board approve the Staff Allocation Formulas for Regular Classroom Teachers, Special Education Teachers, Secondary Discipline Center Teachers, Outreach Teachers, Elementary Physical Education and Vocal Teachers, Teacher Assistants, Administrators, School Counselors, Librarians, Clerical, Custodians and Child Nutrition.

- G. RATIFICATION OF CHANGE TO THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY ADJACENT TO ACADIANA HIGH SCHOOL
That the Board ratify the original agenda item approved on December 5, 2007 from 23.6 acres to 23.63 acres with the actual purchase price increasing by \$785.82 totaling to \$618,964.22 instead of \$618,178.40.

- H. SELECTION OF DISTRICT 3 BOARD MEMBER
That the Board select someone to represent District 3 following Hardy's resignation.

Hefner requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

- I. PROCLAMATION 01-08-1593 – CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY OF OFFICE FOR LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DISTRICT 3
That the Board adopt Proclamation 01-08-1593 – Calling a Special Election to fill a vacancy of office for Lafayette Parish School Board Member District 3.

PROCLAMATION 01-08-1593

A PROCLAMATION CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY OF OFFICE FOR LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Parish School Board, has received the official resignation of Rickey Hardy, Member of School Board, District 3, Parish of Lafayette, effective December 31, 2007 and,

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Parish School Board is given the authority and responsibility under the provisions of LA R.S. 18:602 to fill the vacancy in the position of School Board Member from District 3 by special election where the unexpired term exceeds one (1) year; and,

WHEREAS, the vacancy declared this date by the Lafayette Parish School Board results in creating the unexpired term in excess of one (1) year; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board does hereby authorize and call a special election to be held in Lafayette, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana for the purpose of electing a School Board Member from District 3 to fill the vacancy declared this day by the Lafayette Parish School Board for the unexpired term of Rickey Hardy; and,

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the primary election shall be held on October 4, 2008, qualifying July 9-11, 2008, and general election November 4, 2008; and,

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the election shall be conducted in accordance with the election laws of the State of Louisiana; and,

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that copies of this proclamation be sent by certified and registered mail to the Lafayette Parish Clerk of Court and to the Louisiana Secretary of State and shall be published in the official journal as required by law.

This proclamation, being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Gregory Awbrey, Mark Babineaux, Hunter Beasley, Mark Cockerham, Michael Hefner, Carl LaCombe, Edward Sam and Rae Trahan

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

This proclamation was declared adopted on this the 9th day of January, 2008.

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 proclamation adopted at its Regular Board Meeting of January 9, 2008, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana,
this 9th day of January, 2008.

/s/ Carl LaCombe

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Carl LaCombe, President
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

J. PERMISSION TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE CARPENTER I JOB DESCRIPTION

That the Board approve the revisions to the Carpenter I job description.

K. PERMISSION TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE CUSTODIAN JOB DESCRIPTION

That the Board approve the revisions to the Custodian job description.

L. MODULAR BUILDINGS BID

That the Board authorize staff to advertise and accept bids for the purchase of used modular buildings to replace the modular buildings currently being leased.

Motion (Awbrey, Cockerham) that the Board approve Action Items A, B, C, D, F, G, I, J, K, and L, and that Action Items E and H be pulled for discussion. Motion carried.

E. RESOLUTION 01-08-1589 – DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY

Motion (Sam, Board) that the Board adopt Resolution 01-08-1589 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

RESOLUTION 01-08-1589

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 21, 2008, 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 9, 2008, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana,
this 9th day of January, 2008.

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

H. SELECTION OF DISTRICT 3 BOARD MEMBER

The Chair recognized the following candidates interested in District 3: Shelton Cobb, Elroy Broussard and Lionel Lewis, Jr., and then opened the floor for nominations.

A motion was made by Awbrey that Elroy Broussard be selected as Board Member of District 3. Motion died for lack of a second.

Sam placed in nomination Lionel Lewis, Jr. for Board Member of District 3. Cockerham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It was moved by Sam and seconded by Cockerham that nominations for Board Member of District 3 be closed. Motion carried.

The Chair called for a voice vote to select Lionel Lewis, Jr. as Board Member of District 3. Voting for were: Awbrey, Babineaux, Beasley, Cockerham Hefner, LaCombe, Sam and Trahan. Voting against were none. Motion carried.

OFFICIAL LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS

Carl J. LaCombe, President

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Michael C. Hefner	District 5
Mark Cockerham	District 7
Hunter Beasley	District 8
Rae B. Trahan	District 9

VII. REPORTS

A. Public Comments

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

B. Board President/Members

The Board President presented Rickey Hardy with a plaque honoring his many years of service to the children of District 3 in Lafayette Parish School System.

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 Hefner, seconded by Trahan, and carried that the meeting adjourn.

SIGNED:

/s/ Carl J. LaCombe

Carl J. LaCombe, President
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

SIGNED:

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
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