

**LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, April 16, 2008 - 5:30 P. M., Board Room

Carl J. LaCombe, 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, April 16, 2008 at 5:30 P.M. pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

I. MEETING OPENINGS

The meeting was called to order by LaCombe and opened with a prayer by Beasley. Lewis led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Harriett Taylor informed the Board that the Lafayette Parish School System has partnered with the Lafayette Education Foundation, Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, the Iberia Chamber of Commerce and other agencies to host the Career Connections Expo on April 23, 2008 at the Cajundome Convention Center. The expo gives sophomores a chance to visit over 100 Career Exhibitors and participate in the Reality Store. The Reality Store helps students develop a realistic view of what it actually costs to have the lifestyle they desire.

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

The Board congratulated Coach Clifton Brown of Lafayette High School for being selected as the Louisiana Sports Writers Association Class 5A Coach of the Year. This is the third consecutive year that a Lafayette Parish School System coach has been named state coach of the year.

The Board recognized the Louisiana Champion Future Problem Solvers from L. J. Alleman Middle School. Faye Foret, Rachel Walker, Faith Munsell and Emma Hymel will compete at the International Future Problem Solving Program in Lansing, Michigan from May 28th through June 1st. Their topic in the competition will be on child labor throughout history and throughout the world. Our state team will be competing against approximately 60 other teams from the U.S. and other countries.

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

A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:

Regular Board Meeting of 3/19/08

Motion (Hefner, Awbrey) that the Board amend the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 19, 2008 regarding the Middle School Bell times to read as follows: start time

8:35 a.m. and ending time 3:35 p.m. Motion carried.

a. Regular Board Meeting of 4/2/08

Motion (Awbrey, Sam) that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 2, 2008 as presented. Motion carried.

b. Special Board Meeting of 4/15/08

Motion (Hefner, Cockerham) that the Board approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of April 15, 2008 as presented. Motion carried.

B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF:

a. Joint Meeting of the Board Insurance Committee/Employee Insurance Advisory Committee of 4/1/08

Motion (Beasley, Cockerham) that the Board accept the minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Board Insurance Committee/Employee Insurance Advisory Committee of April 1, 2008. Motion carried.

b. Special Committee Meeting on Expulsion Hearing(s) of 4/16/08

Motion (Awbrey, Lewis) that the Board accept the minutes of the Special Committee Meeting on Expulsion Hearing(s) of April 16, 2008. Motion carried.

ADD TO THE AGENDA

Motion (Hefner, Trahan) that the Board add to the Action Agenda: Addendum to Personnel Changes. Motion carried.

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS

A. APPROVAL OF BILLS

a. APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF BILLS ... February, 2008

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund..... | \$12,943,528.49 |
| Special Revenues | 31,221.28 |
| Consolidated Direct Federal | 173,168.10 |
| Adult Education | 9,344.37 |
| Consolidated Other Federal | 19,317.92 |
| Special Education..... | 145,878.20 |
| Bond Sinking Fund | -0- |
| Consolidated School District #1 | 520.00 |
| Self-Funded Construction | 49,141.51 |
| Construction Account 1999 Bond..... | -0- |
| Construction Account 2001 Bond..... | -0- |
| IASA Title I (Federal Programs) | 1,239,071.95 |

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Consolidated Other State | 57,463.53 |
| Child Development | 44,864.93 |
| IASA Title II/Title IV/Title VI | 9,336.41 |
| School Food Service | 501,126.37 |
| Capital Improvement | 243,678.85 |
| Employee Insurance Fund..... | 2,481,040.02 |
| LPSB General & Auto Loss Fund | 46,555.79 |
| LPSB Workmen's Compensation..... | 194,466.36 |
| LPSB Other Direct Federal..... | 17,912.44 |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS..... | 18,207,636.52 |

Motion (Trahan, Lewis) that the Board approve the ratification of bills for February, 2008.
Motion carried.

B. OTHER FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Ratification of Purchases for March, 2008

Motion (Awbrey, Cockerham) that the Board accept the Ratification of Purchases for March, 2008. Motion carried.

b. Summary of Grant Funding and Activity

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

c. Budget-to-Actual Status Report

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

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

a. Curriculum Update

Pam Dehm, Dyslexia Coordinator informed the Board that the goal of the Dyslexia program is to identify students with dyslexia and provide research based multi-sensory structured language services.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

a. Revisions to the Attendance Administrator Job Description

Motion (Awbrey, Hefner) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.

b. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Attendance Administrator

Motion (Hefner, Awbrey) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.

c. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Assistant Principal II – Youngsville Middle

Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.

- d. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Science Lead Teacher – Middle School. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- e. Grant Application and Edushift Contract for the “Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)” Grant. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- f. Grant Submission: Foreign Language Assistance Program Grant (FLAP). Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- g. Bids for Lafayette High School Limestone Parking Improvements
Motion (Sam, Lewis) that this item be deferred until the next Regular Board Meeting.
Motion carried.
- h. Purchase of Existing Leased Portable Buildings
Motion (Hefner, Cockerham) that this item be deferred until the next Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.
- i. Portable Buildings Refurbishing for Fiscal Year 2008-2009
Superintendent will come back with the cost of having students from W. D. Smith Career Center refurbish portable buildings.
- j. Portable Buildings Relocations for Fiscal Year 2008-2009
Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- k. General Fund Budget Revision #2 Fiscal Year 2007-2008
Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- l. Self-Funded Construction Fund Budget Revision #2 Fiscal Year 2007-2008
Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- m. Capital Improvement Fund Budget Revision #2 Fiscal Year 2007-2008
Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- n. Sales Tax Fund Revision #1 Fiscal Year 2007-2008
Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- o. Group Insurance Fund Budget Revision #1 Fiscal Year 2007-2008
Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- p. 2002 Half-Cent Sales Tax Fund Budget Revision #1 Fiscal Year 2007-2008
Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- q. 2002 Half-Cent Sales Tax Fund Declaration of Excess Reserve Payout to Teachers for

Fiscal Year 2007-2008

Motion (Hefner, Lewis) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.

- r. Authorization to Purchase New Student Information System Software (SIS). Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- s. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Electrician I in the Maintenance Department.
Motion (Hefner, Trahan) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.
- t. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Warehouse Worker I in the Warehouse Department.
Motion (Hefner, Trahan) that the Board move this item to Action. Motion carried.

C. OTHER REPORTS

- a. None

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL CHANGES

Personnel Changes

April 16, 2008

New Employees

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>Position</i> | <i>Eff. Date</i> | <i>Fund</i> | <i>Note</i> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| None | | | | | |

Employee Transfers

| <i>Name</i> | <i>From/To</i> | <i>Eff. Date</i> | <i>Fund</i> | <i>Note</i> |
|--------------------|---|------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Barousse, Mac | Carencro HS (Coach) to Carencro HS (Head Football Coach) | 04/17/08 | 01 | Replacing L. Guidry |
| Bergeron, Susan | Scott MS to Boucher ES (Counselor) | 04/01/08 | 01 | New Position |
| Dugas, Kay | Printer I to Printer II | 04/17/08 | 50 | New Position |
| Robinson, Virginia | Broussard MS (Power Reading/SS) to Moss MS (Magnet Focus Teacher) | 04/17/08 | 57 | Magnet Schools A+ACCESS Grant |

Other Action

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>Position</i> | <i>Eff. Date</i> | <i>Fund</i> | <i>Note</i> |
|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Broussard, Marian | L. Leo Judice/Westside | Asst. Prin. II | 03/20/08 – 06/13/08 | 01 | Leave Without Pay |
| Citizen, Lillian | Transportation | Bus Driver | 04/07/08 – 05/02/08 | 01 | Suspension Without Pay |
| Credeur, Amanda | Transportation | Bus Attendant | 04/10/08 – 05/07/08 | 01 | Suspension Without Pay |

One-Year Appointments & Substitutes

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>Position</i> | <i>Contract Term</i> | <i>Fund</i> | <i>Note</i> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| None | | | | | |

Exiting Employees

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>Position</i> | <i>Eff. Date</i> | <i>Fund</i> | <i>Note</i> |
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|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------|----|------------|
| Arceneaux, Amanda | Lafayette HS | Teacher – Biology | 04/18/08 | 01 | Resigned |
| Aymond, Angela | Carencro HS | Teacher – Math | 04/03/08 | 01 | Resigned |
| Chapman, Charlotte | Acadian MS | Teacher – Math | 05/27/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Cole-Pham, Johanna | Youngsville MS | Asst. Prin. II | 05/23/08 | 01 | Resigned |
| Deshotels, Juanita | Career Center | Teacher – Adult Ed | 05/28/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Dugas, Georgette | Prairie ES | Clerical Assistant | 04/16/08 | 01 | Terminated |
| Guidry, Kermit | Transportation | Contract Bus Driver | 05/24/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Hoffpauir, Jr., Gregory | Maintenance | Electrician I | 04/30/08 | 01 | Resigned |
| James, Daphne | Boucher ES | Teacher – K | 05/27/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Mauldin, Sharon | Martin MS | Teacher - English | 08/06/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Menard, Ramona | Truancy Office | Clerical Assistant | 04/07/08 | 01 | Resigned |
| Moody, Breean | Youngsville MS | Social Studies | 05/23/08 | 01 | Resigned |
| Patin, Anne | Lindon ES | Reading Facilitator | 06/27/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Reeves, Richard | Lafayette HS | Teacher - SPED | 03/23/08 | 01 | Deceased |
| Sanders, Patricia | Drexel ES | Teacher – SPED | 08/05/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Sellers, Jessica | Faulk ES | Teacher – 4 th | 04/10/08 | 01 | Resigned |
| Stansbury, Bridget | Woodvale ES | Teacher – 2nd | 05/27/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Thibodeaux, Dorothy | Transportation | Contract Bus Driver | 05/26/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Tylock, Susan | LL Judice MS | Teacher – K | 05/27/08 | 01 | Retired |
| Vinning, Janice | Woodvale ES | Teacher – 1st | 06/01/08 | 01 | Retired |

Number of Full-Time, Active Employees by Funding Source as of April 11, 2008

| | |
|--|--------------|
| General Fund (01) | 3392 |
| 2002 Sales Tax (15) | 98 |
| 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) | 192 |
| Group Insurance Fund (85) | 2 |
| Magnet Grant (57) | 4 |
| TOTAL | 4,070 |
| Total last month | 4,089 |
| Total year ago | 4,260 |

A1. ADDENDUM TO PERSONNEL CHANGES

ADDENDUM

Personnel Changes April 16, 2008

New Employees

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>Position</i> | <i>Eff. Date</i> | <i>Fund</i> | <i>Note</i> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
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Reed, Julie Transportation Operations Clerk 05/08/08 01 New Position

Employee Transfers

| <i>Name</i> | <i>From/To</i> | <i>Eff. Date</i> | <i>Fund</i> | <i>Note</i> |
|---------------|--|------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Dees, Barbara | Truman (pre-K) to Truman (Resource Coord.) | 04/17/08 | 60 | Replacing B. Pippin |
| Ross, Marsha | Wallace Grant Coord. to Truman (Resource Coord.) | 05/08/08 | 60 | New Position |

Other Action

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>Position</i> | <i>Eff. Date</i> | <i>Note</i> |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Dugas, Georgette | Prairie ES | Clerical Assistant | 04/15/08 | Resignation |
| Terrance, Eugene | Transportation | Bus Driver | 04/15/08 – 05/12/08 | Suspension Without Pay |

- B. APPROVAL OF THE FINDINGS OF THE JOB RE-CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE
That the Board approve the findings of the Job Re-Classification Committee.

- C. PERMISSION TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE LEAD TEACHER SCIENCE
MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL JOB DESCRIPTION
That the Board grant permission to approve the revisions to the Lead Teacher Science Middle and High School job description.

Beasley requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

- D. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS
QUALITY PERFORMANCE SPECIALIST
That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Federal Programs Quality Performance Specialist.

- E. REVISIONS TO POLICY FILE: FEAB-R – ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE
SELECTION OF AN ARCHITECT
That the Board approve the revisions to Policy File: FEAB-R – Administrative Regulations for the Selection of an Architect.

- F. PORTABLE BUILDINGS BID FOR FY 08-09
That the Board authorize staff to advertise and accept bids for the purchase of four (4) new portable classrooms buildings and one (1) new portable restroom building.

- G. ATHLETIC LOCKERS BID
Bids received from:
Indeco Sales, Inc.
Louisiana School Equipment
That the Board award the athletic lockers bid to Louisiana School Equipment.

- H. KITCHEN EQUIPMENT BID
Bids received from:
Buckelew’s Company Kamran & Company, Inc.
Cayard’s, Inc. Lafayette Restaurant Supply

Great Lakes Supply Company Louisiana Food Service
That the Board award the kitchen equipment bid to Cayard's, Inc.

I. **LIMESTONE BID**

Bid received from:

Acadiana Shell & Limestone, Inc.

That the Board award the limestone bid to Acadiana Shell & Limestone, Inc.

J. **EARLY RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR LIBRARY PERIODICALS**

That the Board approve the early release of funds to purchase library periodicals for the 2008-2009 school session.

K. **EARLY RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR COPIER AGREEMENTS**

That the Board approve the early release of funds to renew copier lease and maintenance agreements for the 2008-2009 school session.

L. **GRANT APPLICATION AND EDUSHIFT CONTRACT FOR "ARTS IN EDUCATION MODEL DEVELOPMENT AND DISSEMINATION GRANTS PROGRAM"**

That the Board approve the grant application and EduShift contract for "Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Grants Program".

M. **GRANT APPLICATION AND EDUSHIFT CONTRACT FOR "PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ARTS EDUCATORS (PDAE)"**

That the Board approve the grant application and EduShift contract for "Professional Development for Arts Educators (PDAE)".

N. **RESOLUTION 04-08-1604 – TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY**

That the Board adopt Resolution 04-08-1604 – Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day.

The Chair pulled this item for reading purposes.

O. **RESOLUTION 04-08-1605 – TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

That the Board adopt Resolution 04-08-1605 – Teacher Appreciation Week.

RESOLUTION 04-08-1605

WHEREAS, teachers personify America's belief that universal public education is a key to meeting the challenges of our changing world; and,

WHEREAS, teachers strive to make every classroom an exciting, productive place to learn and grow; and,

WHEREAS, teachers reach out to foster the well-being of each student, regardless of ability, social or economic background, race, ethnic origin, or religion; and,

WHEREAS, teachers motivate individual students to find new directions in life and to reach high levels of achievement; and,

WHEREAS, teachers influence our lives long after our school days are only memories; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board proclaim the week of May 4-10, 2008, as

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

and urge all citizens to observe this week by taking time to remember and salute the teachers who shape the future of our children, our community, and the community of nations.

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 April 16, 2008, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana
this 16th day of April 2008.

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

P. RESOLUTION 04-08-1606 – OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR STATE CENTRAL COLLECTION OF LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX

That the Board adopt Resolution 04-08-1606 – Opposition to Proposed Legislation for State Central Collection of Local Sales and Use Tax .

Hefner requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

Q. RESOLUTION 04-08-1607 – DECLARATION OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY – CHILLER SYSTEM AT LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL

That the Board adopt Resolution 04-08-1607 – Declaration of Public Emergency – Chiller System at Lafayette High School.

RESOLUTION – 04-08-1607

**DECLARATION OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY –
CHILLER SYSTEM AT LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to replace the chiller system at Lafayette High School immediately;
and,

WHEREAS, there is not sufficient time to properly advertise and receive bids for the replacement of the Lafayette High School chiller system; and,

WHEREAS, R.S. 38:2212.1, provides for the elimination of advertising for bids of public works projects in excess of \$100,000 in the case of extreme emergency where such emergency shall, within ten (10) days, be published in the official journal of the body declaring such emergency; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board recognizes and declares that an emergency exists at Lafayette High School that could potentially affect the health and safety of students and employees, and ratifies the expenditure of funds for replacement of the chiller system. Once work commences, if it is determined that further work is needed in order to fully address the proper functioning of the chiller system, the Board authorizes that the School Board President be authorized to act on its behalf, in communication with the Administration, in approving further expenditures related to this matter, as they arise. Further, such approvals shall be ratified by the Board at the next available Board meeting.

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 April 16, 2008, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana
this 16th day of April, 2008

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

- R. REVISIONS TO THE ATTENDANCE ADMINISTRATOR JOB DESCRIPTION
That the Board approve the revisions to the Attendance Administrator job description.
- S. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF ATTENDANCE ADMINISTRATOR
That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Attendance Administrator.
- T. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL II – YOUNGSMVILLE MIDDLE
That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Assistant Principal II – Youngsville Middle.
- U. PORTABLE BUILDINGS RELOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009
That the Board authorize staff to obtain proposals for the relocation of five (5) existing portable classroom buildings.
- V. GENERAL FUND BUDGET REVISION #2 FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008
That the Board approve the General Fund Budget Revision #2 for fiscal year 2007-2008.

W. SELF-FUNDED CONSTRUCTION FUND BUDGET REVISION #2 FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

That the Board approve the Self-Funded Construction Fund Budget Revision #2 Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

X. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND BUDGET REVISION #2 FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

That the Board approve the Capital Improvement Fund Budget Revision #2 Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

Y. SALES TAX FUND REVISION #1 FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

That the Board approve the Sales Tax Fund Revision #1 Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

Z. GROUP INSURANCE FUND BUDGET REVISION #1 FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

That the Board approve the Group Insurance Fund Budget Revision #1 Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

~~Z1~~.AA 2002 HALF-CENT SALES TAX FUND BUDGET REVISION #1 FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

That the Board approve the 2002 Half-Cent Sales Tax Fund Budget Revision #1 Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

~~Z2~~.BB 2002 HALF-CENT SALES TAX FUND DECLARATION OF EXCESS RESERVE PAYOUT TO TEACHERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

That the Board consider and/or approve the recommendation of the Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) regarding "excess distributions" for the 2002 Half-Cent Sales Tax Fund (2002 Tax) as agreed to in the BRC's April 14, 2008 meeting as follows: that there be a declaration of an "excess distribution" for fiscal year 2007-2008 resulting with a payment to teachers dated April 16, 2008 in the amount of \$822.00 per eligible employee, to be distributed at the same time as monthly payroll checks are distributed in the month of May, 2008; that the 2002 Tax funds a \$1,000.00 increase to the LPSS Teacher Salary Schedule beginning with the 2008-09 school year; that a second excess distribution check for fiscal year 2007-2008 be considered in October, 2008, only if "actual available funds" exceeds "actual/projected available funds" as of June 30, 2008 in an amount that is sufficient to fund an additional declaration of excess funds which exceeds \$100/eligible employee; and finally, that declaration of "excess distribution:, if funds are available, for the school year ending June 30, 2009, and thereafter, will be made in September of the following year to allow the related check distribution to occur in October, with these future declarations to occur on an annual basis.

~~Z3~~.CC PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF ELECTRICIAN I IN THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Electrician I in the Maintenance Department.

~~Z4~~.DD PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF WAREHOUSE WORKER I IN THE WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Warehouse Worker I in the Warehouse Department.

Motion (Hefner, Trahan) that the Board approve Action Items A, A1, B, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, O, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, Z1, Z2, Z3 and Z4 and that Action Items C, N and P be pulled for discussion.

Awbrey requested that the motion be amended as follows: that Action Item Z1 be changed to AA; that Z2 be changed to BB; that Z3 be changed to CC; and that Z4 be changed to DD. Motion carried.

C. PERMISSION TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE LEAD TEACHER SCIENCE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL JOB DESCRIPTION

Motion (Trahan, Beasley) that the Board grant permission to approve the revisions to the Lead Teacher Science Middle and High School job description. Motion carried.

N. RESOLUTION 04-08-1604 – TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY

RESOLUTION- 04-08-1604

WHEREAS, April 24, 2008, has been designated as Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day; and,

WHEREAS, the theme for Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day is “Making Choices for a Better World”; and,

WHEREAS, children look to their parents and their community to provide adequate support; and,

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Parish School Board and the Lafayette Commission on the Needs of Women together reach hundreds of thousands of children in Acadiana via their services and community involvement; and,

WHEREAS, Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day provides an opportunity for children in 8th, 9th, and 10th grades to shadow their parents and/or other role models in order that they may receive the guidance and motivation that they need and deserve; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board in conjunction with the Lafayette Commission on the Needs of Women does hereby proclaim April 24, 2008, as

TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY

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 April 16, 2008, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana,
this 16th day of April, 2008.

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Motion (Hefner, Sam) that the Board adopt Resolution 04-08-1604 – Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day. Motion carried.

P. RESOLUTION 04-08-1606 – OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR STATE CENTRAL COLLECTION OF LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX

RESOLUTION – 04-08-1606

RESOLUTION OF THE **LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD** IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED HOUSE BILLS 440, 442, 453, AND 646 OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE OF 2008 URGING THE LEGISLATURE AND THE STATE OF LOUISIANA TO AVOID THE CATASTROPHIC AND ILL CONSIDERED CONSEQUENCES THAT WOULD RESULT FROM THE APPOINTMENT OF THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO COLLECT, DISTRIBUTE, AND DISBURSE LOCAL SALES TAX AND MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Louisiana grants local governments the right to levy and collect local sales and use taxes; and,

WHEREAS, sales and use tax revenues for the Lafayette Parish School Board represents approximately 35% of our tax revenues; and,

WHEREAS, local administration and collection of sales and use taxes are the best means to protect a very important revenue source; and,

WHEREAS, local governments do not wish to be dependent on outside agencies to manage this critical function; and,

WHEREAS, State Representative/Speaker of the House Jim Tucker and State Representative Nicholas J. Lorusso are proposing to have the Louisiana Department of Revenue collect, administer and enforce local sales and use taxes as enumerated in the House Bills listed above:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lafayette Parish School Board urge and requests every member of the Legislative delegation to vigorously **OPPOSE** legislation authorizing the Louisiana Department of Revenue to collect, administer and enforce sales and use taxes levied by any political subdivision in Louisiana; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be sent to the Special Legislative Committee studying the entire tax system, Representative Hunter Greene, Chairman, and Senator Robert Marionneaux, Chairman, so that they will be made aware of our position on this matter; and,

WHEREAS, the resolution was declared adopted on this 16th day of April, 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 resolution adopted at its Regular Board Meeting of April 16, 2008, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana
this 16th day of April 2008.

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Motion (Beasley, Lewis) that the Board adopt Resolution 04-08-1606 – Opposition to Proposed Legislation for State Central Collection of Local Sales and Use Tax . 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 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 Hefner, seconded by Cockerham, and carried that the meeting adjourn.

SIGNED:

/s/ Carl J. LaCombe

Carl J. LaCombe, President
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
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SIGNED:

/s/ Burnell Lemoine

Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD