

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Wednesday, July 19, 2000 - 5:30 P. M., Board Room

Beverly Wilson, 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, July 19, 2000 at 5:30 P. M., pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Wilson, President; Michael Hefner, Vice-President; Judy Cox, John Earl Guidry, Rickey Hardy, Carl LaCombe, Edward Sam, David Thibodaux, Board Members; Michael Zolkoski, Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kay Gibson

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

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None

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

A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:

- a. Regular Board Meeting of 7/5/00
- b. Special Board Meeting of 7/5/00 (Recessed until 1:00 P. M., Friday, July 21, 2000)

Motion (Hefner, LaCombe) that the above minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF:

None

IV. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF BILLS ... May, 2000

- General Fund \$8,598,781.37
- Special Revenues 552,027.89
- Adult Education 512,350.48
- Special Education 483,782.96
- Bond Sinking Fund . . . 550.00
- Consolidated School District #1 -0-
- Construction Account 1995 Bond -0-
- Self-Funded Construction 31,243.81
- Construction Account 1998 Bond 127,148.10
- Construction Account 1999 Bond 283,346.49
- IASA Title I (Federal Programs) 1,259,617.63
- Construction Fund #14 -0-
- Child Development 199,861.69
- IASA Title II/Title IV/Title VI 239,769.14
- School Food Service 210,969.48
- Capital Improvement 38,896.98
- Employee Insurance Fund 1,493,633.66
- LPSB General & Auto Loss Fund 24,545.74
- LPSB Workmen's Compensation 74,796.38

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$14,131,321.80

Motion (LaCombe, Cox) that the Board approve the ratification of bills for May, 2000 as presented. Motion carried.

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

None

C. OTHER REPORTS

None

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

- Unitary Status

Lane Roy, Attorney, presented to the Board a report on Unitary Status. He also informed them that to declare the Lafayette Parish School System unitary and in compliance with Federal equal education opportunity law, the following green factors need to be addressed: students' assignments to schools, faculty assignments to schools, student discipline, facilities, special programs and activities, extra-curricular activities, resources for students, minority to majority transfers, special education programs, students' assignments to classes and faculty

recruitment and hiring. He informed them that they could request unitary status on any one of the factors or on all of the factors.

Motion (Guidry, Thibodaux) that Unitary Status be moved to an Action Item. Motion carried. Sam requested that he be recorded as voting NO.

Motion (Hefner, LaCombe) that the following items be added to the Action Items: Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Acting Principal I at G. T. Lindon Elementary School; Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Principal II at Milton Elementary School; Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Warehouse Driver I in the School Food Service Department and Approval of Resolution 7-00-1296 - Declaration of Public Emergency. Motion carried.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

Dr. Zolkoski presented to the Board an update on the opening of schools.

C. OTHER REPORTS

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

That the Board approve the following personnel changes:

PERSONNEL CHANGES

RESIGNATIONS:

- ALBAN, Janice, Teacher - Music/SS - Acadian Middle (**Eff. EOD 07/31/2000**)
- BREAUX, Michelle, Teacher - Elem. - Alice Boucher Elem. (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)
- HAYDELL, Janette, Teacher - Kdgn. - Alice Boucher Elem. (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)
- VEILLEUX, Simon, Teacher - Foreign Associate - P. Breaux Middle (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)
- FINK, John, Teacher - Science - Comeaux High (**Eff. EOD 06/30/2000**)
- GRACE, Roncarlos, Teacher - PE - Comeaux High (**Eff. EOD 06/14/2000**)
- ADELSON, Cynthia, Teacher - Foreign Associate - Evangeline Elem. (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)
- GEORGES, Alexandra, Teacher - Foreign Associate - Evangeline Elem. (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)
- GROTH, Carol, Speech Therapist - Evangeline Elem. (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)
- FAUCHER, Vincent - Teacher - Foreign Associate - Ernest Gallet/Prairie Elem. (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)
- WINANCE, Isabelle, Teacher - Foreign Associate - S. J. Montgomery Elem. (**Eff. EOD 06/08/2000**)

- GUGLIELMI, Luc, Teacher - Foreign Associate - Myrtle Place Elem. (Eff. EOD 06/08/2000)
- MAILLET, Monette, Teacher - Foreign Associate - Prairie Elem. (Eff. EOD 06/08/2000)
- ASCHERICKX, Sandrine, Teacher - Foreign Associate - Vermilion Elem. (Eff. EOD 06/08/2000)
- CLARCK, Marie, Teacher - Foreign Associate - Vermilion Elem. (Eff. EOD 06/08/2000)
- STRAUSS, Mary, Teacher - Elem. - Vermilion Elem. (Eff. EOD 06/08/2000)
- ROMERO, Rachel, Teacher - NCPH - Woodvale Elem. (Eff. EOD 06/08/2000)

TRANSFER:

ANDREPONT, Jennifer, from Teacher - Math - Lafayette High to Counselor - Acadiana High (Eff. 07/24/2000)

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

HARER, Carol, Lead Speech-Language Pathologist - Special Ed. (Eff. 2000-2001 Session)

RETURNING FROM LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

HAJ-BROUSSARD, Michelle, USL, 8 Yrs. Exp., Teacher - Elem. - Evangeline Elem. (Eff. 08/14/2000)

SABBATICAL LEAVE:

DEAN, Karen, Teacher - Kdgn. - J. W. Faulk Elem. (Eff. 08/14/2000 - 01/09/2001)

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT RENEWALS:

HIATT, Janet, Prin. - Acadiana High (Eff. 07/22/2000 - 07/21/2004)

CALDWELL, Loretta, Prin. - P. Breaux Middle (Eff. 08/13/2000 - 08/12/2004)

RUFFIN, Lee, Prin. - W. D. Smith Career Center (Eff. 08/15/2000 - 08/14/2004)

ANGEL, Carrie, Prin. - Carencro Hghts. Elem. (Eff. 08/02/2000 - 08/01/2004)

DUGAS, Carl, Prin. - Duson Elem. (Eff. 08/04/2000 - 08/03/2004)

MILLER, Jane, Prin. - Evangeline Elem. (Eff. 07/01/2000 - 06/30/2004)

LANDRY, Rosemary, Asst. Prin. - J. W. Faulk Elem. (Eff. 10/08/2000 - 10/07/2004)

MONCRIEF, Janice, Prin. - J. W. Faulk Elem. (Eff. 08/13/2000 - 08/12/2004)

BONVILLAIN, Virginia, Prin. - G. T. Lindon Elem. (Eff. 08/13/2000 - 08/12/2004)

BROUSSARD, Carole, Prin. - Ridge Elem. (Eff. 07/22/2000 - 07/21/2004)

KEBODEAUX, Jesse, Prin. - Youngsville Middle (Eff. 07/25/2000 - 07/24/2004)

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

TRANSFER:

DUGAS, Peggy, from Carpenter I - Maintenance Dept. to Maintenance Tech. I - Maintenance Dept. (Eff. 07/19/2000)

CUSTODIAL SERVICES

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENT:

EAGLIN, Mary, Custodian - E. A. Martin Middle (Eff. 07/19/2000)

ADDENDUM

ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSFER:

AGUILLARD, Dr. Donald, from MIS Director - Central Office to Principal - Carencro High (Eff. 07/20/2000 - 07/19/2002)

B. APPROVAL OF THE PAY GRADE ADJUSTMENTS FOR THREE PRINCIPALS

That the Board approve the readjustment of salaries for the three principals (Sherry Brown from J. W. James Elementary to L. J. Alleman Middle, Nelda Broussard from A. Boucher Elementary to S. J. Montgomery Elementary and Joe Lee Harris from St. Antoine Elementary to K. Drexel Elementary) reassigned from Principal I to Principal II positions due to compliance with the Federal Court Order.

C. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF CARPENTER I IN THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

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

D. ADOPTION OF PUPIL PROGRESSION PLAN FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2000-2001

That the Board approve the changes, as recommended by the Committee, in the Pupil Progression Plan for School Year 2000-2001. Cox requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

E. DELETION OF POLICY FILE: IHFA - GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND POLICY FILE: IHFA-R - GRADUATION CEREMONIES

That the Board approve the deletion of Policy File: IHFA - Graduation Ceremonies and Policy File: IHFA-R - Graduation Ceremonies.

F. APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO POLICY FILE: JHF - GRADUATION CEREMONIES

That the Board approve the revisions to Policy File: JHF - Graduation Ceremonies.

G. APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO POLICY FILE: GBRIB - LEAVE WITHOUT PAY - FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE

That the Board approve the revisions to Policy File: GBRIB - Leave Without Pay - Family Medical Leave.

H. UNITARY STATUS

I.1 PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF ACTING PRINCIPAL I AT G. T. LINDON ELEMENTARY

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Acting Principal I at G. T. Lindon Elementary.

I.2 PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL II AT MILTON ELEMENTARY

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Principal II at Milton Elementary.

I.3 PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF WAREHOUSE DRIVER I IN THE SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Warehouse Driver I in the School Food Service Department.

I.4 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 7-00-1296 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY

That the Board adopt the following resolution

RESOLUTION - 7-00-1296

DECLARATION OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, it is necessary to move buildings prior to the start of the 2000-2001 school year to comply with the Court Orders in the District's desegregation case entitled Alfreda Trahan, et al., and United States of America vs. Lafayette Parish School Board, et al., Civil Action No.10,903 requiring the District to close J. Wallace James Elementary and St. Antoine Elementary Schools and relocate those students on other campuses, and,

WHEREAS, there is not sufficient time to properly advertise and receive bids for the movement and subsequent required building modifications to upgrade the buildings to present code standards, and,

WHEREAS, R.S. 38:2212.1, provides for the elimination of advertising for bids on materials and supplies in excess of \$15,000 in the case of court ordered activity and extreme public 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 the school sites required to add portable buildings pursuant to the Federal Court Order that may affect the health and safety of students and employees by updating them to code standards prior to the start of school, approves and authorizes the expenditure of funds for those updates. The amount of materials is estimated to be less than \$100,000.00.

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 July 19, 2000, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana, this 19th day of July, 2000.

/s/Michael Zolkoski, Secretary-Treasurer

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Motion (Hardy, LaCombe) that the Board approve Action Items A, B, C, E, F, G, I.1, I.2, I.3 and I.4 and that Action Items D and H be pulled for discussion. Motion carried. Thibodaux requested that he be recorded as voting NO on Action Items A, B, C, I.1, I.2, I.3 and I.4 and Hardy requested that he be recorded as voting NO on Action Item A.

- ADOPTION OF PUPIL PROGRESSION PLAN FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2000-2001

The item was pulled until the next Regular Board Meeting of August 2, 2000.

- UNITARY STATUS

Motion (Thibodaux, Guidry) that staff be authorized to contact David Armor, Professor at George Mason University, to ascertain what the cost would be to provide an evaluation of the Lafayette Parish School District in respect to achieving unitary status in accordance with the Federal Court. Motion carried. Sam requested that he be recorded as voting NO.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

BOARD PRESIDENT/MEMBERS - QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Comments were made by the Board members. No action was taken.

SUPERINTENDENT

ATTORNEY

OTHER BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN

There being no further business, it was moved by Hardy, seconded by Hefner and carried that the meeting adjourn.

SIGNED:

/s/Beverly Wilson, President

/s/Michael Zolkoski, Secretary-Treasurer

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