

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Wednesday, March 21, 2001 - 5:30 P. M., Board Room

Carl 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, March 21, 2001 at 5:30 P. M., pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl LaCombe, President; David Thibodaux, Vice-President; Judy Cox, Kay Gibson, John Earl Guidry, Rickey Hardy, Michael Hefner, Beverly Wilson, Edward J. Sam, Board Members; James H. Easton, Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

I. MEETING OPENINGS

The meeting was called to order by LaCombe and opened with a prayer by Hefner. Guidry led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Superintendent asked that the audience have a moment of silent prayer for Assistant Principal from Carencro High School, Anthony Lyons, who passed away.

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

The Board recognized and congratulated Kesha Jean-Batiste, student from L.J. Alleman Middle School selected to represent Louisiana at the Windsor-Ontario International Indoor Games in Canada.

Also recognized were students from Broussard Middle who invited the Board Members to attend a performance of "Annie".

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

A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:

a. Regular Board Meeting of 3/7/01

Motion (Hefner, Hardy) that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 21, 2001 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

b. Special Board Meeting of 3/21/01

Meeting recessed to be continued after the Regular Board Meeting of 3/21/01.

B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF:

a. Special Committee Meeting on Expulsion Hearings of 3/21/01

Motion (Cox/Gibson) that the minutes of the Special Committee Meeting on Expulsion Hearings of March 21, 2001 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS

A. APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF BILLS ... JANUARY, 2001

- General Fund \$7,144,933.76
- Special Revenues 228,962.66
- Adult Education 55,098.55
- Special Education 160,103.19
- Bond Sinking Fund -0-
- Consolidated School District #1 17.84
- Construction Account 1995 Bond -0-
- Self-Funded Construction 216,438.75
- Construction Account 1998 Bond 37,734.01
- Construction Account 1999 Bond 162,671.69
- IASA Title I (Federal Programs) 87,314.70
- Child Development -0-
- IASA Title II/Title IV/Title VI 153,246.52
- School Food Service 722, 198.89
- Capital Improvement 78,063.66
- Employee Insurance Fund 2,669,559.62
- LPSB General & Auto Loss Fund 27,765.03
- LPSB Workmen's Compensation 114,261.35

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$11,858,370.22

Motion (Hefner, Hardy) that the Approval of Ratification of Bills for January, 2001 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. General Fund Cash Receipts and Disbursements for February, 2001

Motion (Hardy, Cox) that the General Fund Cash Receipts and Disbursements for February 2001 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

C. OTHER REPORTS

None

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

a. Curriculum Update

An update on Career & Technical Education Opportunities was presented to the Board by Burnell LeJeune, Supervisor of Career & Technical Education.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

None

C. OTHER REPORTS

None

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

That the Board approve the following personnel changes:

PERSONNEL CHANGES

RESIGNATIONS:

- McMANUS, Olivia, Teacher - Elem. - Ernest Gallet Elem. (**Eff. EOD 02/23/2001**)
- ROSEBROCK, Julie, Teacher - Elem. - Ernest Gallet Elem. (**Eff. EOD 02/22/2001**)
- JOHNSON, Ashley, Teacher - Resource - Plantation Elem. (**Eff. EOD 03/16/2001**)

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENT:

SONNIER, Nadena, BA-USL, No Exp., Teacher - BD - N. P. Moss Annex (**Eff. 02/23/2001 - 05/30/2001**)

TRANSFER

ROACH, Kim, from Counselor - E. A. Martin Middle to Counselor - Acadiana High (**Eff. 03/22/2001**)

RETURNING FROM SABBATICAL LEAVE:

LINK, Grashell, BA-USL, 6 Yrs. Exp., Teacher - Elem. - Evangeline Elem. (Eff. 01/11/2001)

DISABILITY RETIREMENT:

BOUDREAUX, Laura, Teacher - PE - Acadiana High (Eff. 05/031/2001)

SERVICE RETIREMENT:

DuBOIS, Margaret, Teacher - Elem. - Myrtle Place Elem. (Eff. 03/16/2001)

CLERICAL DEPARTMENT

TRANSFERS:

- PAPIILLION, Louise, from Cler. Asst. - Alice Boucher Elem. to Cler. Asst. - Carencro Middle (Eff. 03/22/2001)
- SCOTT, Alta, from Title I Library Clerk/Parent Involvement Facilitator - Carencro Hghts. Elem. to Cler. Asst. - Carencro Hghts. Elem. (Eff. 03/22/2001)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

RESIGNATION:

SIMMONS, Marian, PE Tea. Asst. - Ernest Gallet Elem. (Eff. EOD 03/15/2001)

RETURNING FROM LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

MARTIN, Lynette, PE Tea. Asst. - Duson/L/ Leo Judice Elem. (Eff. 03/12/2001)

SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENT:

WILTZ, Sarina, Tea. Asst. - N. P. Moss Annex (Eff. 03/08/2001)

TRANSFER:

PREJEAN, Nicolle, from Fed. Prog. Tea. Asst. - Carencro Hghts. Elem. to SPED Tea. Asst. - Carencro Hghts. Elem. (Eff. 03/22/2001)

CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

RETURNING FROM LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

DIXON, Shirley, Child Nutrition Services Tech. - Comeaux High (Eff. 01/22/2001)

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

DOGIE, Rose, Child Nutrition Services Tech. - Westside Elem. (Eff. 10/01/2000 - 05/30/2001)

SERVICE RETIREMENTS:

- McZEAL, Joyce, Child Nutrition Services Manager - Lafayette High (Eff. 05/31/2001)
- BERNARD, Mary, Child Nutrition Services Tech. - S. J. Montgomery Elem. (Eff. 05/31/2001)

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

TRANSFER:

VILTZ, Dennis, from Custodian - Ossun Elem. to Ground Maintenance Worker I - Maintenance Dept. (Eff. 03/22/2001)

CUSTODIAL SERVICES

RESIGNATIONS:

- BROUSSARD, Robert, Custodian - Judice Middle (Eff. 03/01/2001 at 10:00 a.m.)
- RICHARD, Joseph, Custodian - Ridge Elem. (Eff. EOD 03/01/2001)

B. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF CLERICAL ASSISTANT AT A. BOUCHER ELEMENTARY

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Clerical Assistant at A. Boucher Elementary.

C. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOL NURSE

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Special Education School Nurse.

D. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION COMPUTER TECHNICIAN

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Special Education Computer Technician.

E. APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR CHILLER REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT CENTRAL OFFICE

Bids were received from

- Prejean Co.
- Berg, Inc.
- Bernhard Mechanical

That the Board accept the bid of \$108,463.00 from Bernhard Mechanical for the Chiller Replacement Project at the Central Office.

F. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF SCIENCE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

Bids were received from

- Carolina Biological Supply Co.
- Early Childhood
- Frey Scientific
- Ken-A-Vision
- Kendrick Microscope Sales
- Nasco
- Sargent-Welch
- Science Kit & Boreal Lab
- Southern Biological Supply
- Southern Scientific

That the Board accept the bid from Southern Scientific for the purchase of Science Supplies and Equipment.

G. APPROVAL OF SELF-FUNDED CONSTRUCTION AND BOND FUND BUDGET REVISION #1

That the Board approve the Self-Funded Construction and Bond Fund Budget Revision #1 as recommended by staff.

H. APPROVAL OF INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT OF REAPPORTIONMENT PLAN

That the Board approve the Inter-Governmental Agreement of Reapportionment Plan with the Lafayette City-Parish Government.

I. PERMISSION TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE SUBSTITUTE TEACHER PAY PRACTICE

That the Board approve the revisions to the Substitute Teacher Pay Practice.

Hardy requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

J. APPROVAL OF 2000-2001 SALES TAX FUND REVISED BUDGET REVISION #1

That the Board approve the 2000-2001 Sales Tax Fund Revised Budget Revision #1 as recommended by Staff.

K. PERMISSION TO EXERCISE THE RENEWAL OPTIONS ON FISCAL AGENCY CONTRACT

That the Board grant permission to exercise the Renewal Options on Fiscal Agency Contract with Hibernia National Bank.

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

I. PERMISSION TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE SUBSTITUTE TEACHER PAY PRACTICE

Motion (Hardy, Sam) that the Board approve the revisions to the Substitute Teacher Pay Practice, that the plan become retroactive effective to the beginning of the 2000-01 school year and that the wording "15 consecutive days" be changed to read "10 consecutive days".

After further discussion, Hardy withdrew his motion.

Motion (Hardy, Hefner) that the Board approve the revisions to the Substitute Teacher Pay Practice as presented by the staff.

The Chair called for question on the motion. Motion carried.

The Chair then called for the motion. Voting for were Guidry, Hefner, Hardy, Cox, Gibson, Sam, Thibodaux and LaCombe. Voting against was Wilson. Motion carried.

Motion (Hardy, Wilson) that the Substitute Teacher Pay Practice be changed to read "10 consecutive days".

After further discussion, Hardy withdrew his motion.

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. No action was taken.

C. SUPERINTENDENT

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

IX. ADJOURN

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

SIGNED:

/s/Carl LaCombe, President /s/James H. Easton, Secretary-Treasurer

LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

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