

**LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, February 2, 2005 - 5:30 P. M., Board Room

Dr. David G. Thibodaux, 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, February 2, 2005 at 5:30 P.M., pursuant to notice given in writing to every member.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kay Gibson (Illness in Family) and Carl LaCombe (Personal Illness)

I. MEETING OPENINGS

The meeting was called to order by Thibodaux and opened with a prayer by Sam. Guidry 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 1/19/05

Motion (LaCombe, Gibson) that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 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 of December, 2004

Motion (Sam, Guidry) that the Sales Tax Collection Report of December, 2004 be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

a. School Resource Officer Program

Burnell Lemoine, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer informed the Board that as a result of the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant initiative, a School Resource Officer will be based at N. P. Moss Middle School beginning February, 2005 through 2006. The nationally accepted program involves the placement of a law enforcement officer within the educational environment on several different levels. Officer Greg Randell with the Lafayette Police Department will assist the school with any law-related issues, as a classroom resource for instruction in such areas as violence diffusion, safety programs, alcohol and drug prevention, crime prevention and other areas.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

C. OTHER REPORTS

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CHANGES

PERSONNEL CHANGES

(positions are funded via General Fund, unless noted otherwise)

NEW HIRES:

ELLIOTT, Margaret, Teacher - Resource - Acadian Middle (Effective 01/19/2005 - 06/01/2005)

MGBOJI, Evelyn, Teacher - Sev. Prof. - Carencro Middle (Effective 01/19/2005 - 06/01/2005)

GAMBINO, Kyle, Teacher - Band - Comeaux High (Effective 01/11/2005 - 06/01/2005)

WILSON, Ashlee, Teacher - English - Comeaux High (Effective 01/18/2005 - 06/01/2005)

BLESSING, Linda, Teacher - 1st - L. Leo Judice Elem. (Effective 01/18/2005 - 06/01/2005)

WOLFE, Anne, Teacher - 1st - L. Leo Judice Elem. (Effective 01/13/2005 - 06/01/2005)

ARCENEUX, Racquel, Teacher - Art - Lafayette High (Effective 01/20/2005 - 06/01/2005)

FREY, Philip, Teacher (Half-Time) - Art - Lafayette High (Effective 01/24/2005 - 06/01/2005)

GUILBEAU, Kelli, Teacher - English II - Lafayette High (Effective 01/12/2005 - 06/01/2005)

QUEBEDEAUX, Camille, Cler. Asst. - Lafayette High (Effective 01/26/2005)

ROMERO, Jan, Teacher (Half-Time) - Home Ec. - Lafayette High (Effective 01/19/2005 - 06/01/2005)

JORDAN-PHILLIPS, Miranda, Tea. Asst. - SPED - Lafayette Middle (Effective 01/26/05 - 06/01/2005)

KONIKOFF, Sarah, Tea. Asst. - SPED - Myrtle Place Elem. (Effective 01/24/2005)

HARMON, Nathalie, Tea. Asst. - SPED - Plantation Elem. (Effective 01/24/2005)
FREIDRICH, Barbara, Safe Schools Grant Project Director (LPSS2 Grant) - Central Office
(Effective 02/03/2005)
HANSEN, Andreas, Human Resource Generalist - Human Resources Dept. (Effective 02/03/2005 -
02/02/2007)

EXITING EMPLOYEES:

LAMPEREZ, Lilly, LPN/Tea. Asst. - Acadiana High (Service Retirement Effective 02/03/2005 at
noon)
CORMIER, Marsha, Teacher - 5th - Alice Boucher Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day
01/12/2005)
GIFFEN, Toni, Teacher - NCPH - Carencro Hghts. Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the Day
01/18/2005)
ROBIN, Aaron, Teacher - Band - Comeaux High (Service Retirement Effective 01/11/2005)
FALGOUT, Tanya, Teacher - (Part-Time) - Art - Lafayette High (Resignation Effective End of the
Day 01/13/2005)
MORRISON, Alvina, Custodian - Lafayette High (Service Retirement Effective 02/16/2005)
PELLERIN, Melissa, Teacher - Home Ec. - Lafayette High (Resignation Effective End of the Day
01/28/2005)
LeBRETON, Kimberly, Teacher - 5th - E. A. Martin Middle (Resignation Effective End of the Day
02/04/05)
ARMENTOR, Jacquelyn, Tea. Asst. - SPED - Plantation Elem. (Resignation Effective End of the
Day 01/21/2005)
VINCENT, Tammy, Sec. I - Youngsville Middle (Disability Retirement Effective 11/30/2004)
LATIOLAIS, Cheryl, Psychologist - Pupil Appraisal Dept. (Service Retirement Effective
02/01/2005)
HYPOLITE, Melvin, HVAC Mechanic I - Maintenance Dept. (Termination Effective 02/02/2005)
BENOIT, Ronald, Bus Driver - Contract - Transportation Dept. (Service Retirement Effective
02/18/2005)

TRANSFERS:

FRANK, Theresa, from Tea. Asst. - SPED - Lafayette Middle to Teacher - Sev. Prof. - P. Breaux
Middle (Effective 01/26/05 - 06/01/05)
DARJEAN, Jacqueline, from Custodian - Lafayette High to Custodian - K. Drexel Elem. (Effective
02/01/2005)
FRANCIS, Valerie, from Teacher - 1st - L. Leo Judice Elem. to Librarian - K. Drexel Elem.
(Effective 01/18/2005)
RODRIGUE, Patricia, from Cler. Asst. - Transportation Dept. to Cler. Asst. - K. Drexel Elem.
(Effective 11/08/2004)
BROWN, Rachel, from Interpreter (Certified) - S. J. Montgomery Elem. to Teacher - Hearing
Impaired - Plantation Elem. (Effective 01/03/2005 - 06/01/2005)

MORRISON, Joseph Terry, from Custodian - K. Drexel Elem. to Head Custodian I - Vermilion Conference Center (Effective 02/01/2005)

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT:

GUERRINI, Janet, from Teacher - PE - Lafayette High to Assistant Principal II - Lafayette High (Effective 02/03/2005)

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

GACHASSIN-STOKES, Angela, Teacher - 1st - Broadmoor Elem. (Effective 02/11/2005 at noon - 06/01/2005)

QAWAMI, Karin, Tea. Asst. - PE - Youngsville Middle (Effective 01/10/2005 - 04/25/2005)

EXTENSION OF LEAVE WITHOUT PAY:

FONTENOT, Marguerite, Child Nutrition Manager III - Comeaux High (Effective 01/13/2005 - 03/09/2005)

MATERNITY LEAVE:

GROVES, Dodi, Teacher - Kdgn. - K. Drexel Elem. (Effective 02/17/2005 - 05/27/2005)

CHRISTIAN, Dyshel, Tea. Asst. - SPED - Judice Middle (Effective 01/18/2005 - 03/14/2005)

Number of full-time employees by funding source for January, 2005, payroll:

General Fund (01).....	3,578
2002 Sales Tax (15).....	96
Special Revenues (20).....	22
Teaching American History Grant(25).....	7
& Small Learning Communities Grant	
Consolidated Adult Education (30).....	12
Consolidated Other Federal (35).....	7
Special Education (40).....	73
LPSS Self-Funded Construction (45).....	2
IASA Title I (50).....	95
Child Development–Head Start (60).....	85
IASA Titles II/III/IV/VI (65).....	31
Child Nutrition (70).....	192
LPSS Group Insurance Fund (85).....	2
 TOTAL.....	 4,202
Total last month:	4,177

Hardy requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

- B. RESOLUTION 02-05-1482 - CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK
That the Board adopt Resolution 02-05-1482 - Career and Technical Education Week.

RESOLUTION- 02-05-1482

WHEREAS, February 13 - 19, 2005, has been designated Career and Technical Education Week by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and,

WHEREAS, the theme for Career and Technical Education Week is "Career Tech: Training Tomorrow's Workforce"; and,

WHEREAS, career and technical education provides Americans with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in Louisiana business and industry, as well as the nation, and contributes to America's leadership in the international marketplace; and,

WHEREAS, career and technical education offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, which provide them with career choices and potential satisfaction; and,

WHEREAS, the ever increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business and industry stimulate growth and vitality of our local and state economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette Parish School Board does hereby proclaim February 13 - 19, 2005 as

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK

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 February 2, 2005, at which time a quorum was present and that same is in full force and effect.

Dated at Lafayette, Louisiana,
this 2nd day of February, 2005.

/s/ James H. Easton

C. NEW POLICY FILE: DKA - EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION ACCOUNT
That the Board approve Policy File: DKA - Employee Appreciation Account.

D. AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT BID

Bids were received from:

AFP Industries, Inc.	School Specialty
American Office Machines, Inc.	Standard Stationery
Audio Enhancement	Sunshine Lighting
Avis Audio Visual Systems, Inc.	Terry Wall Enterprises, Inc.
B & H Photo	The Library Store, Inc.
Best Computer Supplies	Troxell Communications, Inc.
Commercial Sales & Service	Valiant IMC
Crest A/V Electronics, Inc.	Virco, Inc.
Highsmith, Inc.	Ward & Associates
J.E. Foss Company, Inc.	

That the bid of AFP Industries, Inc. on items 3P, 2S and 4S be accepted; that the bid of Avis Audio Visual Systems, Inc. on items 7S, 20S, 22S, 23S, 25P, 26S, 27S, 28S, 31P, 32P, 33P, 34P and 35 P; that the bid of B & H Photo on items 3S, 12P, 13S and 33S be accepted; that the bid of Commercial Sales & Service on items 7P, 8S, 9S and 32S be accepted; that the bid of Crest A/V Electronics, Inc. on items 16P, 17P and 18P be accepted; that the bid of J.E. Foss Company, Inc. on items 24P, 25S, 31S, 34S and 35S be accepted; that the bid of School Specialty on items 10P, 11S, 19P, 29S and 30S be accepted; that the bid of Troxell Communications, Inc. on items 1S, 2P, 8P, 9P, 10S, 12S, 14S, 15S, 16S, 17S, 18S, 22P, 23P, 26P, 27P, 28P, 29P and 30 P be accepted; that the bid of Valiant IMC on items 1P, 5P, 6P, 11P, 13P, 14P, 15P, 20P and 21S be accepted; and that the bid of Ward & Associates on items 4P, 5S, 6S, 19S and 21P be accepted.

E. WAREHOUSE BID

Bids were received from:

Cajun Office Supplies, Inc.	Prairie Carbon & Ribbon
Central Poly Corporation	Precision Graphics
Corporate Express	Pyramid School Products
Elgin School Supply	School Specialty
General Office Supply	Virco, Inc.

That the bid of Corporate Express on items 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 12-19, 23-26, 30, 31, 33-37, 40-47, 50, 51, 54-59, 62, 63, 64, 67, 69, 70, 71, 96, 99 and 100-122 be accepted; that the bid of Pyramid School Products on items 4, 6, 7, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 32, 38, 39, 48, 49, 72-90, 95, 97 and 98 be accepted; that the bid of Virco, Inc. on items 123-126 and 128-136 be accepted; that the bid of Elgin School Supply on items 10, 11 and 91-94 be accepted; that the bid of General Office Supply on

items 5, 52, 53, 68 and 127 be accepted; and that the bid of Prairie Carbon & Ribbon on item 66 be accepted.

Motion (Cox, Hefner) that the Board approve Action Items B, C, D and E, and that Action Item A be pulled for discussion. Motion carried.

A. PERSONNEL CHANGES

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

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 Cox, seconded by Wilson, and carried that the meeting adjourn.

SIGNED:

/s/ David G. Thibodaux

David G. Thibodaux, Ph.D., President
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

SIGNED:

/s/ James H. Easton

James H. Easton, Ed.D., Secretary-Treasurer
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