

**LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, May 21, 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, May 21, 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; Hunter Beasley, Mark Cockerham, Michael Hefner, Lionel Lewis, Jr., Edward J. Sam, and Rae Trahan, Board Members; Burnell Lemoine, Secretary-Treasurer/Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Babineaux (business)

I. MEETING OPENINGS

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

The Superintendent thanked the Lafayette High School String Ensemble, under the direction of Ms. Susan Martin, for their musical selections.

II. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS

The Board congratulated the following physical education students who were champions in their age group at the 14th Annual LPSS Fitness Meet: **6-7 Year Old Girls:** Kali Patout, Prairie Elementary; **6-7 Year Old Boys:** Parrish Anderson, Broadmoor Elementary; **8 Year Old Girls:** Katie Becker, Prairie Elementary; **8 Year Old Boys:** Armand Duplantis, Woodvale Elementary; **9 Year Old Girls:** Corin Boutte, Prairie Elementary; **9 Year Old Boys:** Kevin Essie, Montgomery Elementary; **10 Year Old Girls:** Claire Pham, Plantation Elementary; **10 Year Old Boys:** Gunner Miguez, Prairie Elementary; **11 Year Old Girls:** Brachele George, Plantation Elementary; and **11 Year Old Boys:** Hunter Register, Burke Elementary.

Lafayette Parish finished in second place at the state meet, and the Board congratulated the following students who placed at the state fitness meet: **7th Place Overall Boys State:** Hunter Register, Burke Elementary; **8th Place Overall Boys State:** Antonio Culotta, Milton Elementary; **4th Place Overall Girls State:** Brachele George, Plantation Elementary; **8th Place Overall Girls State:** Monique Hundley, Prairie Elementary; **3rd in 50 yd. Dash Girls State:** Kelsey Thibodeaux, J.W. James Elementary; and **600 yd. Run Best Time Alternate:** Derek Boutin, Prairie Elementary.

ADD TO THE AGENDA

Motion (Hefner, Sam) that the Board add the following items to the Agenda: Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Accountant I – Business Department; Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Principal II – Carencro Middle School; Revision of Policy File: CGAA-R Administrative Contract Renewal/Non-Renewal and Addendum to Personnel Changes. Motion carried.

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

- A. CORRECTIONS ON THE MINUTES OF:
 - a. Regular Board Meeting of 5/7/08
Motion (Sam, Cockerham) that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 7, 2008 as presented. Motion carried.
 - b. Special Board Meeting of 5/20/08
Motion (Lewis, Beasley) that the Board approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of May 20, 2008. Motion carried.
 - c. Special Board Meeting of 5/21/08
Motion (Cockerham, Lewis) that the Board approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of May 21, 2008. Motion carried.
- B. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF:
 - a. None

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS

- A. APPROVAL OF BILLS
 - a. APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF BILLS ... March, 2008

General Fund.....	\$12,467,573.09
Special Revenues	35,499.88
Consolidated Direct Federal	66,189.98
Adult Education	19,835.68
Consolidated Other Federal	5,765.98
Special Education.....	148,808.89
Bond Sinking Fund	456.97
Consolidated School District #1	1,789.64
Self-Funded Construction	144,261.72
Construction Account 1999 Bond.....	-0-
Construction Account 2001 Bond.....	-0-
IASA Title I (Federal Programs)	572,362.97
Consolidated Other State	12,605.50
LPSB Other Direct Federal.....	20,662.81
Child Development	378,010.04
IASA Title II/Title IV/Title VI	12,913.23
School Food Service	1,505,485.95
Capital Improvement	307,676.07
Employee Insurance Fund.....	2,179,816.63
LPSB General & Auto Loss Fund	87,037.66
LPSB Workmen's Compensation.....	227,524.53
 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....	 \$18,194,277.22

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

- B. OTHER FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Ratification of Purchases for April, 2008

Motion (Hefner, Sam) that the Board approve the Ratification of Purchases for April, 2008. Motion carried.

b. Summary of Grant Funding and Activity

Motion (Lewis, Sam) that the Board receive the Summary of Grant Funding and Activity Report. Motion carried.

c. Budget-to-Actual Status Report

Motion (Hefner, Beasley) that the Board receive the Budget-to-Actual Status Report. Motion carried.

Awbrey entered the meeting.

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION/INTRODUCTION ITEMS

A. INFORMATION REPORTS

a. Curriculum Update

Becky Vincent, Supervisor, Health Services, provided the Board with an update on Health Services. The staff provides direct health care to students and staff, leadership for the provision of health services, screening and referral for health conditions, promotes a healthy school environment, promotes personal health, leadership role for health policies and programs and serve as liaison between school and the medical community to approximately 29,500 students.

b. eGrant Application Update: 2008-2009 Allocations

Phyllis Bartlett, Director of Federal Programs, informed the Board that the timeline for submission of the eGrant has changed significantly due to the fact that a grant must be “significantly approved” before districts can obligate funds. The proposed date for submission of the 2008-200 application is Friday, May 30, 2008.

c. Banking Contract Extension

Billy Guidry, Executive Director & Chief Financial Officer, informed the Board that the current banking contract with Iberia Bank will end on July 31, 2008. Iberia Bank has offered the Lafayette Parish School System a two year extension of the contract with the same terms as those quoted in 2003 and continue a generous 33 basis points above the 90 day T-Bill return on our interest bearing accounts.

d. General Fixed Asset Accounting Guidelines

Billy Guidry, Executive Director & Chief Financial Officer, informed the Board that the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education recently revised Bulletin 1929 – Louisiana Accounting and Uniform Government Handbook’s definition of Supplies vs. Equipment which establishes a higher capitalization threshold for local school districts. Because of this revision, LPSS has revised the General Fixed Asset Accounting Guidelines criteria of classifying an item as equipment from a per unit cost equal to or greater than \$1,000 to \$5,000.

e. Transportation Update

The Board requested that Bill Samec, Director of Transportation, provide the Board with an update of the route bidding process. Mr. Samec informed the Board that they would be completing the route bidding

process soon, and he was working on School of Choice routing and had met with the Parochial/Private School Principals.

B. INTRODUCTION ITEMS

- a. New Teacher's Contract and Continuing Teacher's Contract for the 2008-2009 School Year. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- b. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Principal II – Lafayette Middle School. Motion (Hefner, Sam) that the Board move this item to the Action Agenda. Motion carried.
- c. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Principal II – Scott Middle School. Motion (Hefner, Sam) that the Board move this item to the Action Agenda. Motion carried.
- d. Revisions to Policy File: JCDACB – Student Athlete Drug Testing Policy. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- e. Paperless Board Meetings
Motion (Cockerham/Lewis) that the Board move this item to the Action Agenda. Motion carried.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Awbrey and seconded by Cockerham that the Board rescind action to move Paperless Board Meetings agenda item to Action; and that the Board allow staff to provide additional vendor information and specific quotes. Motion carried.

- f. Revisions to Policy File: DIC-R - Fixed Asset Regulations. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- g. Operational Reimbursement-Contract Bus Drivers: Fuel Adjustment. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- h. Bids for Lafayette High School Parking Improvements.
The Board requested that staff schedule a visit for the Board Members to view the parking lot conditions at Lafayette High School.
- i. Estimates for Lafayette High School Entrance Circle Repairs. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- j. Estimates for Lafayette High School Parking Lot Repairs. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- k. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Accountant I – Business Department. Action to be taken at a subsequent meeting.
- l. Permission to Advertise and Fill the Position of Principal II – Carencro Middle School. Motion (Hefner, Sam) that the Board move this item to the Action Agenda. Motion carried.

- m. Revision of Policy File: CGAA-R – Administrative Contract Renewal/Non-Renewal Procedure Motion (Awbrey, Lewis) that the Board move this item to the Action Agenda. Motion carried.

C. OTHER REPORTS

- a. None

VI. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL CHANGES

Personnel Changes

May 21, 2008

New Employees

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Durham, Angela	L.A.P.S.	Drill Instructor	05/22/08	01	Replacing C. Serial
Gathe, Donald	Judice MS	Custodian	05/22/08	01	Replacing M. Washington
Melancon, Tami	Truancy Dept.	Clerical Asst.	05/22/08	01	Replacing R. Menard
Patin, Lois	Lafayette MS	Environmental Science Lab/Support Teacher	07/28/08	57	New Position

Employee Transfers

<i>Name</i>	<i>From/To</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Arceneaux, Lillian	Detention Ctr (Homeless Tea. Asst.)	04/21/08	40	Replacing L. Bourque
Cole, Kenneth	Bus Driver to Warehouse Worker I	05/22/08	01	Replacing H. Handy
LaFleur, Janine	P. Breaux MS (SS/PE Teacher) to S. J. Montgomery Elem Asst. Prin.	7/21/08	01	Replacing J. Hebert
Morris, Kelly	Fed. (Cler. Asst.) to Prairie ES (Cler. Asst.)	08/08/08	01	Replacing G. Dugas

Other Action

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Breaux, Kathleen	Lafayette HS	Teacher - Business	08/08/08 – 01/05/29	01	Sabbatical Leave
Doucet, Rod	Maintenance	Plumber II	05/08/08	01	Did not accept appointment
Dugas, Kay	Print Shop	Printer II	04/17/08	01	Not Fund 50

One-Year Appointments & Substitutes

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Contract Term</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Miller, Jessica	Carencro MS	Title I Teacher	03/05/08 – 05/26/08	50	New Position
Theriot, Angela	Evangeline ES	Title I Teacher	03/05/08 – 05/26/08	50	New Position

Exiting Employees

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Butts, Josef	Moss Annex	Teacher – Talented Music	05/26/08	01	Resigned
Calais, Jr., Clayton	Boucher ES	Custodian	04/15/08	01	Resigned
Castille, Delores	Prairie ES	Teacher - K	05/26/08	01	Retirement
Francis, Mary A.	Moss MS	Computer Proctor	05/27/08	01	Retirement
Isak, Fanny	Montgomery ES	Grade 1	05/27/08	01	Retirement
LeBlanc, Ronald	Scott MS	Principal II	06/10/08	01	Retirement
Menard, Christine	Woodvale ES	Reading Facilitator	05/26/08	01	Resigned
Newman, Elaine	Prairie ES	Teacher – 5th	05/07/08	01	Retirement
Rousse, Jr., Paul	Carencro HS	Band Teacher	05/26/08	01	Resigned
Tobin, Minerva	Prairie ES	Teacher – 2nd	05/27/08	01	Retirement
Williams, Sarah	Boucher ES	Teacher – 3rd	05/26/08	01	Resigned

**ESL SUMMER SCHOOL AT RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
June 9 – July 23, 2007**

RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENTS:

Blossom, Laura – ESL Teacher
 Carey, JoAnn – ESL Teacher
 Faulk, Jeffrey - ESL Teacher
 Fields, Elizabeth - ESL Teacher
 German, Mariela - Assistant
 Greene, Wanda – ESL Teacher
 Hanna, Gigi – Assistant
 Hatcher, Julee – ESL Teacher
 Lewis, Kathy – ESL Teacher
 LeMaire, Monique – ESL Teacher
 Nguyen, Jody – Assistant
 O’Campo, Georgina - Assistant
 Plauche’, Julie – ESL Teacher
 Rojas, Jose’ – Assistant
 Sarver, Pearl - Assistant
 Stine-Doyle, Jacy – ESL Teacher
 Wills, Angel – Computer Proctor

Number of Full-Time, Active Employees by Funding Source as of May 14, 2008

General Fund (01)	3375
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)	122
Self-Funded Construction (45)	1
IASA Title I (50)	84
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)	<u>5</u>
TOTAL	4,060
Total last month	4,060
Total year ago	4,260

A1. ADDENDUM TO PERSONNEL CHANGES

**ADDENDUM
Personnel Changes
May 21, 2008**

Exiting Employees

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Eff. Date</i>	<i>Fund</i>	<i>Note</i>
Krasnoff, Adam	Alleman MS	Teacher Asst.	05/19/08	01	Resigned
LaFleur, Kim	Business Dept.	Accountant I	05/21/08	01	Terminated
Riggs-Cook, Mary	Carencro MS	Principal II	06/17/08	01	Retirement

B. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL II – SCOTT MIDDLE SCHOOL

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Assistant Principal II – Scott Middle School.

C. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF ITINERANT ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL BETWEEN ACADIANA HIGH AND COMEAUX HIGH SCHOOL

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Itinerant Assistant Principal between Acadiana High and Comeaux High School.

Trahan requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

D. APPROVAL OF TITLE I/TITLE II ACADEMIC INTERVENTIONIST (K-12)

That the Board approve the job description for Title I/Title II Academic Interventionist (K-12).

E. RECOMMENDATION FOR REDUCTION IN FORCE DUE TO PROGRAMMING CHANGES THROUGH REORGANIZATION

That the Board authorize the Superintendent to enforce Policy File: GCKA, Reduction in Force (RI) Policy for Non-Teacher Employees in regards to eliminating the Grants Administrator position.

F. APPROVAL OF NEW POLICY FILE: FKA – INDOOR AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT POLICY

That the Board approve the new Policy File: FKA – Indoor Air Quality Management Policy.

G. APPROVAL OF NEW POLICY FILE: FKA-R – ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR INDOOR AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

That the Board approve the new Policy File: FKA-R – Administrative Regulations for Indoor Air Quality Management.

H. CARL PERKINS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATIONAL LOCAL APPLICATION PLAN

That the Board approve the submission of the local application plan of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Basic Grant to the State Department of Education.

I. GRANT SUBMISSION – “FULL SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS” GRANT

That the Board approve the submission of an application for the Full Service Community Schools Grant at Ossun Elementary School.

Beasley requested that this item be pulled for discussion.

J. SALES TAX FUND BUDGET REVISION REQUEST FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

That the Board approve the budget revision request to increase Professional Services and Revenues in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the fiscal year 2007-2008.

K. PORTABLE BUILDINGS REFURBISHING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009

That the Board authorize staff to obtain proposals for the refurbishing of ten (10) classrooms in existing portable buildings.

L. RESOLUTION 05-08-1612 – FINAL APPROVAL TO ISSUE PUBLIC SCHOOL REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2008

That the Board adopt Resolution 05-08-1612 – Final Approval to Issue Public School Refunding Bonds, Series 2008.

(The resolution was separately published on Wednesday, May 28, 2008)

M. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL II – LAFAYETTE MIDDLE SCHOOL

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Principal II at Lafayette Middle School.

N. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL II – SCOTT MIDDLE SCHOOL

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Principal II at Scott Middle School.

O. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL II – CARENCRO MIDDLE SCHOOL

That the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Principal II at Carencro Middle School.

P. REVISION OF POLICY FILE: CGAA-R – ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT RENEWAL/NON-RENEWAL PROCEDURE

That the Board approve the revisions to Policy File: CGAA-R – Administrative Contract Renewal/Non-Renewal Procedure.

Motion (Hefner, Trahan) that the Board approve Action Items A, A1, B, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, L, M, N, O and P and that Action Items C and I be pulled for discussion. Motion carried.

C. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POSITION OF ITINERANT ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL BETWEEN ACADIANA HIGH AND COMEAUX HIGH SCHOOL

Motion (Trahan, Cockerham) that the Board grant permission to advertise and fill the position of Itinerant Assistant Principal between Acadiana High and Comeaux High School. Motion carried.

I. GRANT SUBMISSION – “FULL SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS” GRANT

Motion (Beasley, Hefner) that the Board approve the submission of an application for the Full Service Community Schools Grant at Ossun Elementary School. 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 Awbrey 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
LAFAYETTE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

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