

## **June, 2002**

*Board Briefing is a summary of St. Tammany Parish School Board action taken at the June 13, 2002, School Board meeting and is not intended to be a complete accounting of Board action.*

### **Louisiana Student Council Advisor of the Year Recognized**

Mandeville High School Assistant Principal Hannah Rucker was recognized for being chosen by the National Association of Student Councils as the 2002 Student Council Advisor of the Year for Louisiana.

### **Retirement of Assistant Superintendent for Administration Announced**

Assistant Superintendent for Administration Richard Tanner announced his retirement from the St. Tammany Parish Public School System, effective October 1, 2002. His retirement will follow 37 years of service to the School System.

### **Non-Teaching Personnel for 2002-2003 Approved**

School System non-teaching personnel (less than 12 months) recommended for the 2002-2003 school year were approved.

### **Substitute Employees for 2002-2003 Approved**

Recommended substitute employees for the 2002-2003 school year were approved.

### **Assistant Principals Appointed**

Assistant principals were appointed at four schools.

Ramona Carlin, Assistant Principal at Pine View Middle School during 2001-2002 and former teacher at Honey Island

Elementary School, was appointed to Honey Island Elementary School.

Tara Dragon, a teacher at Woodlake Elementary School, was appointed to a temporary, one-year position at Magnolia Trace

Elementary School.

Sharon Garrett, Woodlake Elementary School Resource Helping Teacher for 2001-2002 and former teacher there, was appointed to Lyon Elementary School.

Peggy Redmond, most recently Special Education coordinator at Slidell High School, was appointed to St. Tammany Junior High School.

### **Instructional Technology Job Description Approved**

The recommended job description for Instructional Technology Facilitator was approved as amended to include the phrase "Master's Degree preferred".

### **2002-2003 Consolidated Application Proposal Approved**

The 2002-2003 application proposal for a total of \$6 million in federal Title 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 funding for the School System was approved.

### **Superintendent Authorized to Examine Weighted Grades at High Schools**

The Superintendent was authorized to examine weighted grades for high school students and report findings to the Committee As A Whole for Education and Personnel.

### **2002-2003 Salary Schedules Accepted**

School System salary schedules for 2002-2003, including the \$500 increase provided by St. Tammany Federation of Teachers and School Employees contract and the appropriate increase for non-certificated management employees, were accepted.

### **Bids Rejected for Covington High School Softball Building**

All bids for construction of a softball utility building at Covington High School were rejected. Bids submitted were over budget. The project will go out for bids again in the future.

### **Low Bid for Bus Loop and Parking Lot Improvements at Folsom Elementary School Accepted**

The low bid meeting plans and specifications for bus loop and parking lot improvements at Folsom Elementary School was accepted. Dennis Glass Construction Co., Inc., submitted the low bid in the amount of \$236,860. The May, 1998, Bond Authorization is the source of funding for the project.

### **Special Systems Replacement at Salmen High School Accepted**

The replacement of Special Systems (intercom, fire alarm, and intrusion systems) at Salmen High School was accepted as substantially complete, subject to the recommendations of the architect, completion of the punch list, and approval of Superintendent Monteleone.

### **Classroom and Parking Additions at Abita Springs Elementary School Accepted**

The ten-classroom addition and parking project at Abita Springs Elementary School was accepted as substantially complete, subject to the recommendations of the architect, completion of the punch list, submission of all regulatory requirements, and approval of Superintendent Monteleone.

### **Changes to *Handbook on Attendance, Discipline and Student Records* Approved**

Revisions to the *Handbook on Attendance, Discipline and Student Records* were approved as recommended by the Superintendent. The changes were suggested by the Discipline Handbook committee following an annual review of the policy handbook.

### **Sixth Ward Junior High School Name Changed**

Beginning with the 2002-2003 school session, Sixth Ward Junior High School will be named Sixth Ward Elementary School. The name change is required because of the transfer of grades 6-8 from the school to the new Creekside Junior High School, which will serve area students beginning with the upcoming school year.

**2002-2003 IDEA Budget Approved**

The 2002-2003 budget for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) was approved.