

October 22, 2005

OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
CAMP LEJEUNE DEPENDENTS SCHOOLS
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 12, 2005

I. CALL TO ORDER

(Name Removed) called to order the October 12, 2005 School Board Meeting of the Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools. The meeting began at 1810 hours in the CLDS Board Room. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. School Board members in attendance were: (Names Removed) Also in attendance were: (Names Removed)

II. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE

(Name Removed) administered the oath of office to (Name Removed) and extended congratulations on his election!

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(Name Removed) made a motion to approve the minutes of September 21, 2005, seconded by (Name Removed). The minutes were approved as presented in Tab A.

IV. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A. Recognition of Education Reporter

Ms. Heather Curuso, Education Reporter for *The Globe*, received special recognition for her outstanding coverage of events and information about the Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools. Our community was kept well informed about events to include the: 2005 School Board Election, details of the SY 2005-06 School Opening, capturing special visitors and functions within the schools, and the list goes on. Mr. Brinton shared a special reading to reflect the difference that Ms. Curuso has made in providing up-to-date information about the schools. On behalf of the CLDS School Board and the Camp Lejeune Schools administration, (Name Removed) presented a 'Certificate of Excellence' to Ms. Curuso.

B. 2006 NC and CLDS Teacher of the Year Recognition

The CLDS School Board and the Camp Lejeune School community acknowledged *Ms. Debra Bryant* in her recent selection as the 2006 North Carolina District and Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools Teacher of the Year. (Name Removed) expressed what an honor it was for Camp Lejeune to be recognized in this way. Ms. Bryant brings great pride to the Camp Lejeune community.

On behalf of the Camp Lejeune teachers and students, (Name Removed) extended high praise to Ms. Bryant in her recent award. The students of Russell Elementary School, where Ms. Bryant recently taught P.E., miss you greatly and send a 'collection of love notes' to extend best wishes to you in your new position as Athletic Director for Lejeune High. Ms. Hawes, Principal of Russell Elementary School, presented Ms. Bryant with a 'bouquet of roses.'

Mr. Brinton recalls his first visit to Russell Elementary School where Ms. Bryant had students engaged in 'learning how the brain works' during a simulation in P. E. class. Ms. Bryant continues to introduce new initiatives in our schools such as the 'Boost Up' Program and strives to do what is the absolute best for all students. We are exceptionally proud of Ms. Bryant's accomplishments and our congratulations are extended. (Name Removed) and Mr. Brinton were pleased to present Ms. Bryant with a 'Certificate of Excellence.'

On behalf of MajGen Dickerson, (Name Removed) awarded Ms. Bryant with the 'Command Teacher of the Year' rotating plaque that symbolizes how important it is to the Command to have outstanding teachers providing the best of education to our military children. The plaque will be displayed at Lejeune High School.

On behalf of the CLDS School Board, (Name Removed) presented a 'special basket' of items to Ms. Bryant in expression of their gratitude and appreciation for her hard work and commitment to the Camp Lejeune Schools.

Ms. Bryant reflected on the honor to be nominated by a great colleague and was appreciative of the support she received from others during the organization of her portfolio and video presentation. Ms. Bryant stated, "It is indeed a privilege to be recognized as the North Carolina District Teacher of the Year and to represent Camp Lejeune Schools. This would not have been possible without the support of many people throughout my educational career. It is an honor to work for such an outstanding organization as Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools. Thank you for this award and special recognition." Ms. Bryant shared her video presentation that revealed her philosophy of teaching.

V. SCHEDULED COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A. Lejeune Education Association (LEA)

Mr. Brinton introduced (Name Removed), President of the Lejeune Education Association (LEA). (Name Removed) represents the teachers of CLDS and works closely with the Superintendent in resolving issues at the lowest possible level. It is a pleasure to work with (Name Removed) in this capacity.

(Name Removed) congratulated the members on their recent election to the Board and invited them to contact her at TT2 Elementary School or via the e:mail at any time.

B. Lejeune Educational Support Association (LESA)

Mr. Brinton introduced (Name Removed), President of the Lejeune Educational Support Association (LESA), who represents the support personnel of CLDS. It is a privilege to work with (Name Removed) who is focused on working issues for the betterment of all involved.

(Name Removed) thanked the members for taking their time to be a part of our schools. (Name Removed) stated that she represents 180 support members; and it is great to have a Superintendent who is willing to listen to our concerns. She works as the Education Technician in the Distance Learning class and coaches the high school volleyball team. (Name Removed) also organizes the annual 'Read Across America' event where dignitaries, community members, and others participate in this reading activity district-wide. She encouraged School Board members to make plans to read to students during the March timeframe.

VI. SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

A. Community Strategic Plan (CSP)

(Name Removed), ISS, presented an overview of the 2001-2006 DoDEA Community Strategic Plan (CSP,) stressing that Goal 1, "Highest Student Achievement," is the priority goal and that the purpose of the other three goals is to support Goal 1. The remaining three goals are:

Goal 2: "Performance-Driven, Efficient Management Systems," or the business and facilities side of operating schools;

Goal 3: "Motivated, High Performing, Diverse Workforce," which refers to all staff members and the need for continuous professional growth to ensure the best education for our students; and

Goal 4: "Network of Partnerships Promoting Achievement," which includes all of the valuable partners who support the educational process – our parent, military partners, other levels of the DoDEA system, the civilian community, the business community, local education agencies, and institutions of higher learning, to name a few.

The CSP provides the framework for school improvement planning in all DoDEA schools, as well as the system of accountability for students' educational progress. Currently a task force made up of stakeholders is working to review and update the CSP. Dr. Kinney, Principal of Johnson Primary, serves on the committee.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. School Board Tour: Feedback

Members of the School Board complimented the schools for an outstanding tour. Members felt very welcomed and engaged in the schools. An enjoyable lunch was provided at Brewster Middle School. (Name Removed) concurred that the tour of schools was both enjoyable and informative. (Name Removed) particularly enjoyed hearing the viewpoints of students as they lead the tour group.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Grand Opening – Johnson Primary

Plans are underway for the Johnson Primary Facility Dedication on Tuesday, October 18, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. Dr. Tafoya and Dr. Beraza will be in attendance. A highlight of the ceremony will be the musical selections performed by second grade students.

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Informational items were provided as follows:

1. *Insite Information* (9/05) (Tab O)

2. CLDS Monthly Newsletters (Tab P)

3. LHS Spirit Week – (Name Removed) announced the high school spirit week is filled with activities beginning October 17-21, 2005. Student Government is coordinating a tailgate event on Friday, October 21 at 4:00 p.m. just prior to the Homecoming Game to kick-off at 7:30 p.m.

4. (Name Removed) invited members to attend the volleyball game on Tuesday, October 18 during senior night. The game begins at 6:00 p.m.

X. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2005 in the CLDS Board Room beginning at 1800 hours. The members will meet at 1730 hours for the dinner session. Agenda items may be forwarded to (Name Removed).

XI. ADJOURNMENT

(Name Removed) adjourned the meeting at 1850 hours.

XII. FUND COUNCIL MEETING

The Fund Council convened at 1855 hours to review the following items:

A. REPORTS: FY 2005

1. Financial Report of September 2005: Approval of

(Name Removed) made a motion to approve the Financial Report of September 2005. (Name Removed) seconded the motion and the report was approved. (Tab J)

2. Student Activity Fund Expenditures over \$1000: Approval of

The following expenditures were presented for approval:

a. A check in the amount of \$4,057.64 made payable to Clark Sporting Goods to cover the cost of football uniforms for Lejeune High School.

b. A check in the amount of \$1,150.00 made payable to Burnett Lime Company to cover the cost of field marking equipment for Lejeune High School.

(Name Removed) made a motion to approve the expenditures as presented. (Name Removed) seconded the motion and the expenditures were unanimously approved.

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(Name Removed)
Chair, CLDS School Board

Attachments:
As stated

cc: Director, DDESS/DoDDS-Cuba