

October 25, 2002

OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
CAMP LEJEUNE DEPENDENTS SCHOOLS
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2002

I. CALL TO ORDER

(Name Removed) called to order the October 16, 2002 School Board Meeting of the Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools. The meeting began at 1805 hours in the CLDS Board Room.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(Name Removed) made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2002 School Board Meeting, seconded by (Name Removed). The minutes were approved unanimously. (Tab A)

III. SCHEDULED COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A. Lejeune Education Association (LEA)

(Name Removed) welcomes the School Board as they tour the schools on Thursday, October 17. There will be many wonderful things to see in the classrooms.

(Name Removed) appreciates the opportunity to meet with Mr. Brinton on a regular basis to work on issues at the lowest level and looks forward to the open communication with the District Office. The faculty representatives are thankful for the time they have to meet with principals.

(Name Removed), FEA Area Stateside Director, will be at Camp Lejeune on October 28 and 29, 2002 to provide training for LEA and LESA representatives. Thank you to Mr. Brinton who has scheduled (Name Removed) for a tour of the schools.

The LEA remains concern about the upcoming DDESS Transfer Study.

B. Lejeune Educational Support Association (LESA)

(Name Removed) extended a “Happy Bosses’ Day” to Mr. Brinton and Dr. Halloran.

At this time, there is no update in respect to the A-76 Study. (Name Removed) hopes to bring back some information from the Area Council Meeting scheduled November 6-8, 2002.

Issues continue to be worked through regarding educational aides on the school buses. Dr. Halloran has been most supportive in working this concern.

A network problem exists within the district and the AT’s are working extremely hard to fix the problem. A meeting was held with all AT’s and ET’s to come up with the best possible solution. Schools will be kept updated.

IV. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS

A. NC Teacher Cadet Program

(Name Removed), Social Studies teacher at Lejeune High School, gave a presentation on the NC Teacher Cadet Program which she received training in this past September. The NC Teacher Cadet Program has been implemented at Lejeune High School and will introduce or provide orientation to students who have an interest in the teaching profession. Students portraying a high level of academic achievement and the personality traits found in good teachers are encouraged to consider teaching as a career. The program provides helpful skills in enhancing students to become future community leaders as well as a knowledge base on how schools work. During (Name Removed)’s PowerPoint presentation, the origin, philosophy, components, units, and the criteria of the NC Teacher Cadet Program were shared with the School Board. It is our goal to create a connection with colleges in support of the program. The NC Teacher Cadet Program is a one semester elective that is being offered to high school juniors and seniors. Currently, there are nine students registered for the program next semester.

The School Board thanked (Name Removed) for her work with this program and appreciated the presentation/update.

B. District Website

(Name Removed), Office Automation Assistant for the District Office, thanked Mr. Brinton for the opportunity to serve as the District Webmaster. Recently, (Name Removed) received training in building websites and since that time has developed a skeleton/plan for the

CLDS website. (Insert at Tab F) She gave an overview on the various topics that will be available for employees, parents, and students to view. Mr. Brinton added that one of the primary goals would be to have information available for parents who are either transitioning into our school system and out of the school system. (Name Removed) welcomed feedback and other suggested topics for the website in an effort to make it most accessible/informative for all constituents.

The School Board was most impressed with this initiative and thanked (Name Removed) for her overview/work.

C. Budget Process/Fiscal Cycle

(Name Removed), Schools Finance Officer, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Budget Process/Fiscal Cycle for Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools. The non-salary target Budget for FY 02 is \$3,123,000.

Currently, CLDS is operating under a Continuing Resolution Authority (CRA) until the DoD Budget is passed by Congress. A chart on the Budget Process reflected how the appropriation is distributed to school districts. (Insert at Tab J) (Name Removed) defined the types of appropriations classified by duration and purpose: (1) Operational and Maintenance (O&M) (one year money); (2) Procurement (three year money); and (3) Military Construction (MILCON) (five year money).

The Student Activity Fund (SAF) evolves primarily around the various clubs, athletic programs, and fundraising activities at the high school. Elementary schools are involved through picture sales. MCNAFAS, the military auditing group, audits the Student Activity Fund and does a wonderful and thorough job. (Name Removed) thanked (Name Removed), Accounting Technician, for her outstanding work with the Student Activity Fund.

As noted, School Food Services is a Non-appropriated Fund Instrumentality (NAFI) operation, managed by (Name Removed), School Food Services Director.

Comparisons of FY 01 and FY 02 Actuals were reflected in the Budget Summary by Object Class Report. (Insert at Tab J) The categories included: Salaries, Communication, Rental Equipment, Utilities, Printing, Contracts, Supplies, and Equipment. One-time adjustments in the various categories were shown.

The School Board complimented (Name Removed) on her presentation and recognized her for her expertise. Recently, (Name Removed) was invited to serve on a Budget Committee at the Area Service Center in Peachtree City, GA. Mr. Brinton received wonderful accolades from the DDESS Area Service Center on behalf of (Name Removed). He noted how valuable she is to Camp Lejeune Schools.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. MILCON Update

Mr. Brinton reported that the main-side school construction projects (one primary and one intermediate school) would be delayed one year from its projected start date. However, both MILCON projects will begin simultaneously. Funds have been programmed under FY'03 & FY'04; and the project remains a DDESS priority in respect to military construction.

Mr. Brinton requested that the School Board provide assistance in notifying the public about the delay in the school construction projects.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Student Activity Fund Expenditures over \$1000

The following Student Activity Fund Expenditures were presented for approval:

1. A check in the amount of \$1,100.00 made payable to Piedmont Coach Lines, Inc. to cover the cost of bus transportation to the Asheboro Zoo for students of Stone Street Elementary School.
2. A check in the amount of \$1,200.00 made payable to Coach USA of Jacksonville to cover the cost of bus transportation to the Museum of Life and Science for students of DeLalio Elementary School.

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

B. Dr. Dwight Allen's Visit with CLDS

Dr. Dwight Allen, Professor of Old Dominion University, Virginia, visited with Camp Lejeune Dependents Schools to conduct an initial overview/assessment of the school district. Dr. Allen met with several groups and tour five of the Camp Lejeune Schools. In addition, Dr. Allen and Mr. Brinton met with UNC-Wilmington administrators regarding partnership opportunities.

(Name Removed) met with Dr. Allen; and he was very complimentary of our school district. The programs at the elementary level were impressive and assisted kids in getting a good start. He saw a true sense of commitment to education from teachers, parents, and students at all levels. Many wonderful opportunities were occurring at the high school. (Name Removed) found Dr. Allen to be very passionate about schools and students.

VII. REPORTS: FY 2001

A. Financial Report of September 2002

The September 2002 Financial Report was presented for approval. (Name Removed) made a motion to approve the report as presented, seconded by (Name Removed). The report was approved unanimously. (Tab J)

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Informational items were provided as follows:

1. School Board Tour Itinerary (Tab F)
2. Transition Counselor Institute (Tab K) – Principals and counselors have been trained in Phase I of Transition Counselor Institute that is a program developed by the Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) to ease the transition process for military students entering or departing a school system. It will be our goal to bring a MCEC group on site to work with Camp Lejeune Schools in conjunction with Onslow County Schools.
3. DDESS Transfer Study (Tab M) – The official news release regarding the DDESS Transfer Study was provided.
4. AP Examinations (proposed) – As part of the high school POM, students taking Advanced Placement (AP) courses will be required to take the AP examination at the end of the course in order to get a weighted credit for the course. This proposal is slated to begin with SY 03-04. DoDEA will pay for the exams.
5. Insite Information (10/02)
6. CLDS Monthly Newsletters - The Chair encouraged members to read the school newsletters provided each month in the Board packet. The newsletters are very informative and well done.

IX. AGENDA BUILDING

Agenda items should be forwarded to (Name Removed), Mr. Brinton, or (Name Removed) for the next meeting.

X. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2002 in the CLDS Board Room beginning at 1800 hours.

XI. MEETING EVALUATION AND ADJOURNMENT

(Name Removed) adjourned the meeting at 1935 hours.

(Name Removed)
Chair, CLDS School Board

Attachments:
As stated

cc: Dr. Hinman, Director, DDESS/Cuba