

# SCHOOL BOARD.

**Change of Transfers and Additional Transfers Asked.—Schools Consolidated.**

**Resolution Showing the Need of More Funds for Next Session.**

**Teachers Appointed.—Treasurer's Report and Bills Approved.**

Lafayette, La., July 11, 1907.

At a regular meeting of the Parish Board of School Directors held on the above date there were in attendance: Pres. N. P. Moss, Messrs. Alex Delhomme, Jasper Spell, Dr. G. A. Martin, Arthur Comeaux, J. H. Bernard, C. C. Brown, A. D. Verot, Alcide Justice.

The minutes of the meeting held April 11, 1907 and June 1, 1907, were approved as read.

A committee of fifteen citizens from the second ward, Cormier school, asked for additional transfer for that school, or a change in the route of Burke Transfer No. 2 to the Cormier school. The Board decided that the financial condition did not permit the establishment of new transfer routes and that the reasons advanced for the change of the transfer, Burke No. 2, were not sufficient for the Board to take action.

An account of \$45.15 for material for a gallery built at the J. C. Broussard school by the citizens of that community was approved.

A committee from the Whittington school asked for an additional room and an additional transfer. On the latter request the Board could not take action on account of the uncertainty of school funds for the present year. It was decided to take up the matter of building the new class-room as soon as possible.

On the petition of citizens of Indian Bayou school, Lafayette parish, the Board consolidated the school with the Indian Bayou school, Vermilion Parish. The Lafayette Board agreeing to pay one third the cost of the new building needed on account of the consolidation and to furnish transportation for the children of this parish. The Lafayette Board appointed Tom Daily, Hollis Daily, and C. D. Harrington. The above was adopted on the motion of Mr. Spell.

The petition of Mr. Deshotel of Scott for a remission of a fine imposed by the District Court was refused on the ground that the Board could not legally entertain such a proposition.

The sheriff asked that the Board appoint a committee to check his accounts with the School Board. The Auditing Committee was authorized to do the work.

The secretary was instructed to examine the record of the Bertrand transfer No. 2 for the past session and transfer No. 1 and make report at the next meeting of the Board. He was also instructed to readvertise for bids on the following transfer routes:

#### SECOND WARD.

Burke, No. 1, No. 2 and Burke No. 3.

#### FOURTH WARD.

Youngsville No. 1 and No. 2.

#### FIFTH WARD.

Broussard No. 1, Broussard No. 2.

#### SIXTH WARD.

Carencro No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 4.

#### EIGHTH WARD.

Cormier, No. 1.

The following resolutions were adopted and Mr. J. H. Bernard was appointed a committee to deliver a copy to the Police Jury and Dr. G. A. Martin a copy to the City Council:

Whereas, the State appropriation for schools in Lafayette parish will be materially diminished this year on account of a decrease of nearly 2000 in the enumeration of the children of the parish in 1907 as compared with 1903, reducing the State appropriation for Lafayette by about \$4000, and

Whereas, there has been an unprecedented increase in the number of children attending school, necessitating the employment of a large number of additional teachers, and

Whereas, the school board has increased the number of teachers in proportion to the number of children in attendance upon the schools and have on the petition of the citizens of the parish established 17 transfer routes and employed 17 drivers of wagonettes, who added to the 85 teachers of the parish, make a total of 102 persons on the pay roll of the parish as compared with 40 persons four years ago, and

Whereas, the attendance has increased in the same space of time from 950 to 3500, and whereas, the decrease in the Police Jury appropriation as it now stands amounts to \$3000, which added to the decrease from the State, makes an actual decrease in the amount of revenues for 1907 of \$7000 which amount added to the increased expenditure for 1907-08 due to the increase in the teaching force, \$8000, makes a total visible shortage of \$15000, and whereas the education of the children of the land should receive first consideration at the hands of those who disburse the public funds, therefore,

Be it resolved, that the School Board of Lafayette parish do hereby call the attention of the Police Jury and City Council of Lafayette to the condition of the school funds for 1907-08, and direct their attention to the fact that there must be a decrease in the session for the coming year if the appropriations from these bodies are not increased in proportion to the increased demands made upon the School Fund on account of the great increase in the attendance of children upon the schools. Be it further resolved that this Board would pro-

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foundly regret a retrograde movement at this time in the matter of school maintenance, which would result in great injury to the welfare of the children of the parish.

The following teachers were appointed to teach in the rural schools of the parish for the session 1907-08:

#### FIRST WARD.

J. C. Broussard, Miss LaSalle Avery, \$50; Miss Allie Delhomme, \$35. Duson, Miss May G. Cook, Miss Maggie Bagnal, \$45. Guidroz, Miss Brown \$40; Mathieu, Miss Hilda Delhomme, \$35, Alex Martin, Mrs. Wright, \$60, Miss Mary Patin, \$35.

#### SECOND WARD.

Alex Broussard, Miss Edna Sprole, \$40; Whittington, Miss Mary Reister, \$60; Miss Yolande Melanson, \$40; Miss Cecilia Johnson, \$35; Burke, Mr. T. W. Cleek, \$75; Miss Turner, \$40; Miss Foreman, \$35; Ridge, Miss Weir, \$40; Indian Bayou—Bonin—

#### THIRD WARD.

Mouton Switch, Miss Maria Bagnal \$45; DeClouet, Valsin Benoit, \$40.

#### FOURTH WARD.

Romero, Miss Pearce, \$40; Simon, Miss Fraser, \$60; Miss Theresa Avant, \$35; Milton, C. J. McNaspy, \$85, Miss Agnes Thibodaux, \$60, Miss Helen Reeves, \$50, Miss Aillet, \$35.

#### SIXTH WARD.

Roger, Mr. Notley Arcenoaux, \$45; Cormier, Miss Berdie Senette, \$35; Domingue, Miss May Senette, \$40.

#### SEVENTH WARD.

Pilette, Mr. Alcibiades Broussard, \$70; Miss Eunice Riggs, \$40; Veret, Miss Alta Caston, \$45; Miss Onezia Beadle \$35.

#### EIGHTH WARD.

Bertrand, Miss Cassie Pollard, \$45; Miss Cole \$40; Duhon, Miss Rogers, \$50; Cormier—

The report of the treasurer was read and filed:

To the President and Members of the School Board, Parish of Lafayette, La.:

Following is a statement of receipts and disbursements of the school funds since my last report:

To bal on hand last report.	\$1,311 64
To tax coll'r., taxes coll'd	
March.....	83 46
To tax coll'r., polls coll'd.	
march.....	51 00
To tax coll'r., interest coll'd.	
March.....	13 71
To corporation balance appropriation.....	2,000 00
To L. J. Alleman, for schools	22 20
To parish, for appropriation	7,000 00
To tax coll'r., taxes coll'd.	
April.....	86 38
To tax coll'r., polls coll'd.	
April.....	48 00
To Acadia parish, for Duson school.....	150 00
To Miss Edna Sprole, library	15 00
To P. L. Breaux, for colored school.....	21 15
To Courtenay Fraser, for library.....	18 00
To O. Bertrand, for library.....	10 00
To O. Bertrand, for Bertrand	

school.....	6 30
To tax coll'r., taxes coll'd.	
May.....	34 30
To tax coll'r., polls coll'd.	
May.....	23 00
To First National Bank, amt. borrowed.....	5,000 00
To State 2d apportionment.....	2,031 82
To Am. Seating Co., on desks	1 28
To tax coll'r., balance special tax 1906.....	63 26
To tax coll'r., balance polls 1906.....	26 00
To Mrs. Green, for library.....	18 85
	\$18,035 35

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By 5 per cent com. tax coll'r., taxes.....	10 19
By 5 per cent com. tax coll'r., interest and polls.....	6 78
By Theo. Sonnier, repairing Mathieu school.....	30 00
By P. L. Breaux, painting colored school.....	2 80
By Lacoste Hardware Co., Paint, hardware, etc.....	42 95
By L. Hirsch, janitor.....	5 00
By Paul Boudreaux, contract	1,912 00
By L. J. Alleman, coal, stamps, telephone, etc.....	24 68
By L. J. Alleman, Supt. salary.....	499 97
By Vordenbaumen Lmbr Co., lumber.....	64 80
By Moss Pharmacy, B. B. cloth.....	8 75
By G. B. Knapp, plans and specifications.....	45 00
By Lafayette Transfer Co., hauling.....	8 40
By Lafayette Advertiser, printing.....	25 54
By Dr. G. A. Martin, expenses, conv.....	20 00
By Dr. N. P. Moss, expenses conv.....	20 00
By Dr. N. P. Moss, room rent.....	40 00
By J. Marsh, harness.....	23 00
By A. Montet, repairs Broussard school.....	51 00
By Aymar Denais, room rent	10 00
By Cumb. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone service.....	8 25
By American Seating Co., desks and freight.....	296 27
By P. L. Breaux, attending institute and convention.....	27 50
By Mrs. P. L. Breaux, attending institute and convention.....	22 00
By Louise Downs, attending institute and convention.....	22 00
By Hattie Davage, attending institute and convention.....	7 50
By M. B. Decuir, attending institute and convention.....	5 00
By Eloi Duhon, repairs transfer.....	1 50
By F. O. Cornay, freight.....	4 26
By J. C. Shay, building annex colored school.....	657 25
By Denbo & Nicholson Co., transfers and harness.....	901 35
By Jos. Guidroz, transfers.....	332 00
By F. F. Hansell and Bro., desks.....	416 25
By polls refunded.....	5 00
By transfers drivers.....	907 40
By directors per diem.....	39 00
By teachers pay.....	11,179 15
By treasurer's commission.....	176 82
Total disbursements.....	\$17,859 36
By balance on hand.....	175 99

Respectfully submitted,  
J. E. MARTIN,  
Treasurer.

Lafayette, La., July 4, 1907.

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