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Board Briefing is a summary of St. Tammany Parish School Board action taken at the December 13, 2001, School Board meeting and is not intended to be a complete accounting of Board action.

United Way Awards Presented

Several sites received the Superintendent's United Way awards for the 2001-2002 school year. Total School System contributions increased from \$54,000 last year to \$74,000 this year.

Award for Highest Percentage of Participation Over Goal

Elementary School: Folsom Elementary School

Middle/Junior High School: Sixth Ward Junior High School

High School: Covington High School

Department: Slidell Maintenance Facility

Award for Most Student Dollars Raised

Covington High School

Award for Most Employee Dollars Raised

St. Tammany Parish Public School Board Central Office

Special Award for 100% Participation

Mandeville Elementary School

School Board Officers and Committee Chairs Elected

The Board elected District 10 member John Lamarque president and District 4 member Diane Sambola Vice President of the Board. District 6 member Donald Villere was elected chair for the Business Affairs/Administrative Committee As A Whole and District 2 member Elizabeth Heintz was elected chair for the Personnel/Education Committee As A Whole. All will serve one-year terms effective January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002.

Resolution Passed Canvassing Returns and Declaring Result of November 17, 2001, Special Election

Passage of the November 17, 2001, Bond Authorization referendum became official with the approval of a resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the result of the election. The referendum was to authorize the Board to sell \$54 million in General Obligation Bonds for major School System capital improvements.

Additions to Bonne Ecole Elementary School Approved

A six-classroom addition with rest rooms at Bonne Ecole Elementary School was approved as substantially complete subject to recommendations of the architect, completion of the punch list, and approval of Superintendent Monteleone.

Re-roofing Projects Accepted

The re-roofing projects at the junior high wing of Sixth Ward Junior High School and the Main Building of the Instructional Technology Center were accepted as substantially complete subject to recommendations of the staff and architect, completion of the punch list, and approval of Superintendent Monteleone.

Additions and Renovations to Boyet Junior High School Approved

The addition of a 12-classroom wing and the renovation of existing rest rooms at Boyet Junior High School were accepted as substantially complete subject to recommendations of the architect, completion of the punch list, and approval of Superintendent Monteleone.

Addition to Woodlake Elementary School Approved

The administration building addition to Woodlake Elementary School was approved as substantially complete subject to the recommendations of the architect, completion of the punch list, and approval of Superintendent Monteleone.

Low Bid Accepted for New Paving at Two Schools

The low bid meeting plans and specifications submitted by Dennis Glass Construction Company was accepted for new parking lot paving and bus loop re-paving at Bonne Ecole Elementary School and new parking lot paving at Florida Avenue Elementary School. The low bid was \$133,960.

Bids for Pearl River High School Track Rejected

The two bids for a track at Pearl River High School were rejected for failure to submit the bids on Board-specified bid forms. The project will be re-advertised for bid.

Combining Fifth Ward Junior High School Bond Issue Projects Authorized

Superintendent Monteleone was authorized to combine Fifth Ward Junior High School construction projects funded by the 1998 Bond Issue with those from the 2001 Bond Issue. Six classrooms and rest rooms were provided for in the 1998 Bond Issue, and six classrooms and a new administrative office are included in the 2001 Bond Issue.

Revisions to System Testing Policy Approved

Revisions to the School System Testing Policy were approved. The revisions consisted primarily of the addition of new State testing information and editorial changes to the last version of the policy.