

Classrooms Ready This Week For Lincoln Primary Pupils

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Lincoln Primary School students displaced by construction work at the Leland school will move into their new classrooms this week.

Bill Turner, assistant to the superintendent, told Brunswick County Board of Education members Monday night that furniture was being moved into the school's six new classrooms and new special education building, and that the children were expected to move Wednesday or today (Thursday).

At Union Primary School in Shallotte, board members and staff were to inspect construction to see how soon students can move into completed classrooms there. That could come in approximately two weeks, if "punch list" repairs are completed rapidly, Turner indicated.

He said work on the project has speeded up following a change of personnel ending the need for an extension of the contract.

Demolition was to begin next week of two older concrete block buildings at Lincoln, including the old cafeteria. However, after consulting with attorneys James Prevatte and Glen Peterson, the board agreed Monday to save one building for storage use. At a price of \$12,590—similar to the cost of tearing the building down—the contractor will face the exterior in brickwork to match the new construction. Board members also agreed to spend remaining funds for landscaping and blinds for both schools.

While work continues on these two schools, the board moved forward on its next phase of construction. Members authorized the

superintendent to sign a contract with Boney Architects Inc. of Wilmington to begin developing plans for construction of a 12-classroom addition to South Brunswick High School at an estimated cost of \$900,000, and also for work through the stage of construction documents for a new elementary school proposed for the Supply area. It would serve an estimated 500 students.

Local money is on hand for construction of the addition at South and for land acquisition and planning of the elementary school, said Turner.

Turner said he and other school officials will be meeting with the N.C. Division of School Planning to begin the planning of the new school.

Other Business
In other business the board:
• Heard from John Kaufhold, interim superintendent, that response

has been good to his request for materials on AIDS education. Along with sample policies from three school systems and the state, he has received video cassettes and film strips. The next step is appointment of a committee to help formulate a policy. "This is happening much faster than I expected," he added.

• Voted to write off as uncollectible approximately \$3,000 Child Nutrition Department "bookkeeping discrepancies" from 1985-86 and 1986-87 and to establish a policy under which principals are responsible for covering from each school's budget the cost of meals eaten on credit that have not been paid off by the end of the term. The money written off includes funds not collected from children who ate on credit, \$37 not recovered after a theft and funds from the American Red Cross for

food and supplies consumed during Hurricane Diana, but not applied to the correct funds upon receipt. Purchase of computerized cash registers is expected to help solve a second problem, one of apparent overcollection or not recording all meals purchased.

• Adopted a fixed-assets policy recommended by Finance Officer Elaine Shappell that provides for the engraving and logging in a ledger information on buildings, land and equipment owned by the school system to help guard against losses, waste or misuse. "It will certainly improve accountability if we know what we've got, where it is and whose responsible for it," said member Doug Baxley.

• Authorized member Marvin McKeithan to appoint someone from District 4 to serve as the community

member on the Teacher of the Year committee that meets Oct. 16.

• Approved upcoming trips by South Brunswick Middle School Cheerleaders, North Brunswick High JROTC cadets and two West Brunswick High FFA members.

• Heard from Jean Parker, liaison officer, of an Oct. 7 organizational meeting in Southport for a countywide drug education advisory committee to bring schools and community together in a "collaborative effort" of drug abuse prevention.

• Adopted a state budget allocation increase of \$889,095 and a local budget increase of \$1,000 in sex equity program funds from the state.

• Received, but took no action on, four quotes for burglar and fire alarms for the schools, in the range of \$30,000.

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