

DECLARATION OF DR. PAT COOPER

I, **Dr. Pat Cooper**, declare under penalty of perjury that the following statements are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith and based upon my personal knowledge:

1. I am Superintendent of Schools of the Lafayette Parish School System ("**LPSS**"), having its principal offices located at 113 Chaplin Drive, Lafayette, LA 70508.

2. This Declaration is provided in connection with the filing by the LPSS before the Federal Communications Commission ("**FCC**") of an FCC Form 318 Application for Construction Permit for a Low Power FM ("**LPFM**") Broadcast Station in Lafayette, Louisiana (the "**Application**").

3. According to the most recently-published edition of the Arbitron Metro Survey Area Ranking, the Lafayette, LA, Radio Market is listed as Number 107, which is outside of the top 50 urban markets. Further, every geographic location in Lafayette Parish, Louisiana ("**Lafayette Parish**") is within 20 miles of the coordinates of the transmitting antenna proposed by LPSS in the Application (the "**Transmitter Site**").

4. During the two years prior to today, the LPSS (a) has been in existence as a non-profit educational organization (as defined by the FCC), (b) has been physically headquartered within 20 miles of the Transmitter Site (in its current building, which it has continuously occupied since 1958), (c) has had a campus within 20 miles of the Transmitter Site and (d) has had 75 percent of its governing board members residing within 20 miles of the Transmitter Site.

5. The date on which the LPSS first qualified as local under the provisions of 47 C.F.R. Section 73.853(b) was Wednesday, June 29, 1870, (a) based upon (i) the authorities quoted below and (ii) the second sentence of paragraph 3 above, and (b) the LPSS has remained local at all times since then:

According to Dr. H.L. Griffin in his book, The Attakapas Country: "The constitution authorized Lafayette Parish[, Louisiana,] to levy a tax for the support of the schools and to appoint a superintendent of education at a salary of \$400 per year. Under this law, a one room school was opened in 1847. Five years later the office of parish superintendent was abolished." No mention is made of anyone serving as Lafayette Parish superintendent during that time.

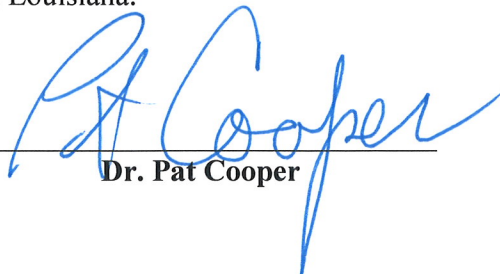
The earliest record found was an article in the July 2, 1870, issue of the local newspaper, the Advertiser, which stated that the Board of School Directors for Lafayette Parish met on Wednesday, June 29, 1870, and was organized by choosing the following officers: L.E. Salles, President of the Board; Dr. T.B. Hopkins, Treasurer; and Mr. G. Broussard, Secretary. In the March 22, 1873, issue of the Advertiser, the proceedings of the March 17, 1873, meeting of the Board of Directors listed Mr. L.E. Salles as Secretary-Treasurer, and Mr. August Monnier as President. In the June 4, 1873 proceedings, Mr. Salles was referred to as the Director of Public School Systems. In March 1874, Mr. Salles rendered his resignation, Mr. B.A. Salles was elected Secretary-Treasurer to replace him, and Mr. Monnier was re-elected as President.

Although no mention was made in the meeting of March 17, 1873, or any subsequent meetings in 1874 or 1875, according to commission signed by William G. Brown, President of the State Board of Education of Louisiana and kept in the Lafayette Parish School Board Office, August C. Melchior was appointed Director of Lafayette Parish Schools in March 1874. His appointment is not recorded at the office of the Louisiana State Department of Education. According to its records, the only name of Director of Education listed in Lafayette Parish is L.E. Salles, who served from April 20, 1875 to March 31, 1877. No information could be found for the years 1878 through 1881. In the proceedings of the December 1877 meeting of the Lafayette Board of Directors, T.B. Hopkins is listed as President of the Board and remained as President until 1879. No mention is made of a director during this time.

According to Dr. H.L. Griffin in The Attakapas Country, the office of Lafayette Parish superintendent was recreated in 1879 at a salary of \$200 per year. No mention was made of an appointment. However, in the July 1, 1879, proceedings of the Board, H.M. Burleigh was listed as secretary pro tem and Dr. Hopkins was listed as President. No other records could be located until January 1882.

6. I will be happy to provide additional information upon request. My mailing address is P.O. Drawer 2158, Lafayette, LA 70502-2158 and my telephone number is (337) 521-7014.

Executed on November 13, 2013, in Lafayette, Louisiana.



Dr. Pat Cooper