

**Board Minutes**  
**April 21, 2015**

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Kevin Brantley, Donnie Carter, Donald Smith, Marty Thompson and Bernard Young were present. Mr. Carter called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Young gave the invocation and Mr. Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
2. Mr. Dale Brantley spoke to the board concerning the future of athletic facilities. Mr. Brantley expressed the pros and cons of having our own fields versus sharing fields with the recreation department. He also gave some history of the land purchased and expressed the desire to know what direction the system plans to take. This would allow athletic boosters to know what plans they should make. Chairman Carter asked Mr. Brantley for a list of priorities and stated that it would have to be done in stages. Chairman Carter went on to say that as a board we need to move on with building fields or invest in the recreation department. Personally, I do not want to invest in the recreation department. We do not own it. Mr. Brantley then discussed the need for specific guidance in addition to knowing the location of the facilities. Chairman Carter then asked the board members if they had anything to add. Superintendent Thomas stated at this point this should be an agenda item so it could be properly discussed.
3. Mr. Bill Johnson spoke to the board concerning communication issues. Mr. Johnson feels that the board is not responding to citizens who address concerns at board meetings. Chairman Carter explained the board policy concerning public participation at board meetings. Chairman Carter stated that the board will work on this issue.
4. Administration recognized the following employees of the year:

Kim Blair – Food Service  
Brenda Brantley – Transportation  
Eric Elbert – Maintenance/Custodian  
Lynn Lee – Other (Clerical, etc.)  
Jearlene Morris – Paraprofessional  
Chuck Beale – Special Education

5. The March 24, 2015 board minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
6. The March 2015 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
7. Superintendent Thomas presented a Resolution to Approve Local Facilities Plan. Resolution was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith. Resolution is attached and becomes a part of these minutes. Superintendent Thomas commended Mr. Lindsey, principals and custodial staff for their hard work in preparing for the facilities review.
8. Superintendent Thomas presented a revision to the 2015-2016 school calendar for approval. Calendar was revised to move Homecoming from October 30, 2015 to September 18, 2015. Revised calendar was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Brantley. Calendar is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
9. Ms. Tecia McKay presented the FY16 District Parental Involvement Plan Revision. Revised plan was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Thompson.
10. The following field trip and fund raiser were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Brantley:

JCMS Archery Team, National Competition, Louisville, KY,

May 7 – 9, 2015

JCHS Athletic Annual Coke Sale, April 27 – May 14, 2015

11. Mr. Charles Howard, JCES Principal, spoke to the board about Georgia Milestone testing, SLO assessments, upcoming parent meeting, spring fling, and honors night. Mr. Howard also announced students of the month Josie Scott and Mytus Lanier.
12. Mr. Gary Price, JCMS/HS Principal, spoke to the board about Georgia Milestone testing, spring sports, scholarship night, SLO post assessments, honors night and graduation.
13. Ms. Tecia McKay updated the board on the CLIP, parental involvement school planning meetings, and the recent federal program monitoring results.

14. Ms. Dawn Howell updated the board about on-line testing requirements including timelines for 100% implementation.
15. Superintendent Thomas commended everyone involved in the on line testing. The network held up well. Superintendent Thomas updated the board on the school resource officer and has talked to Sheriff Oxford and Chief of Police Price. The board was also updated on bus driver training that is currently being done by Sammie Newsome. A budget workshop will be held during the first or second week of May. A definite date and time will be set after board members are able to check their calendars. Superintendent Thomas indicated the need to devote some work session time to review the ongoing SPLOST budget as well.
16. Superintendent Thomas and Dawn Howell updated board members on the Young Farmer program. GADOE has advised that the board can begin the process of filling the position.
17. On a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Young; unanimous approval was given to go into executive session to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee. After discussion, a motion was made to come out of executive session by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.
18. Superintendent Thomas presented the following personnel recommendations. Recommendations were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Thompson:

**Retirement Resignations:**

Redessa Crawford

Nancy Meeks

Alice Nesbitt

**Teachers:**

Montana Josey – JCES – Pending certification

Holly Foskey – JCES – Pending certification

**Paraprofessional:**

Rachel Clark - JCES

The meeting was then adjourned.

JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent