

Board Minutes
September 16, 2014

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Donnie Carter, Alan Frost, Bill Jackson, and Marty Thompson were present. Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Carter gave the invocation and Mr. Frost led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was amended to include a fund raising request from the elementary School. Amended agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Frost, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval.
2. The August 19, 2014 board minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval.
3. The August 2014 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. Frost; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Thomas presented the Capital Outlay Project Application for FY16. Unanimous approval was given to submit application to the Georgia Department of Education on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Jackson.
5. Superintendent Thomas requested approval to advertise for two full time bus driver positions. Request was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Frost, second by Mr. Jackson.
6. The following field trip and fund raising request was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Frost:

JCHS FFA, National Convention, Louisville, KY

Oct. 28 – Nov. 1, 2014

JCES, Fun Night/ Dance, October 7, 2014

7. JCES Principal Charles Howard reported that teachers are continually involved in professional learning. Mr. Howard also discussed standards, observations, and differentiation. JCES is now recognizing two students of the month each month. JCES will be hosting a math family night on October 2.

8. JCMHS Principal Gary Price informed the board that Dr. John Barge will be visiting the middle school on September 19. Mr. Price also discussed SLOs and TKES. Mr. Price announced that JCHS will host a parent/community involvement night on Tuesday September 30. The focus will be on Social Studies.
9. Mr. Charlie Lindsey updated the board on the recent topographic study on the recently purchased property. Approximately half of the acreage will be usable for building.
10. Superintendent Thomas expressed that she feels confident about the direction the school system is taking. The district strategic plan will help monitor the progress of students and let staff members know what needs to be done to move forward. Two teams have visited Putnam County schools to see why their scores are so high. They have found that the use of formative assessment to guide differentiation has been a major factor. Superintendent Thomas also thanked the principals for being wholeheartedly committed to this year's instructional focus, which is also formative assessment to guide differentiation. The whole administrative team and instructional coaches are embracing the strategic plan and working hard to move the system forward. More labs will need to be purchased due to Georgia Milestones. Plans are in place to add a new lab at each school. Plans are also in place to purchase new software to help with SLOs.
11. On a motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. Frost; 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 of employee. After discussion, a motion was made to come out of executive session by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval.
12. Superintendent Thomas presented the following personnel recommendations. Recommendations were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Frost:

Teacher

Cherell Bostic, JCMS, retro to 7-29-14 or to certificate validity date
Melinda Pullen, Special Education, System-wide

Substitute Bus Driver

LaKeisha Wright – retroactive to 9-4-14
Dorothy Brantley – pending completion of requirements

Substitute Teachers

Melanie Hilson

Suzanne Hutchinson – pending completion of requirements

Substitute Custodian

Jerome Horne – pending completion of requirements

The meeting was then adjourned.

JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

By: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Superintendent