

Board Minutes
December 16, 2014

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

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. Carter; unanimous approval.
2. The November 18, 2014 board minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Frost, second by Mr. Young; unanimous approval.
3. The November 2014 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval.
4. Mr. Gary Price, JCMHS Principal, reported that his students and staff have been busy with testing the past few weeks. Mr. Price reported a productive first semester and is looking to a fresh start to the second semester in January.
5. Mr. Charlie Lindsey reported that the system is overall pleased with the results of the on-line testing. The network held up fine. Mr. Lindsey thanked board members for funding the recent infrastructure project which was instrumental in the on-line testing process.
6. Mr. Charlie Lindsey presented a facility use request from FCA to use the middle/high gym for the Crusade for Christ on March 20 – 22, 2015. Request was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Frost, second by Mr. Jackson. Facility use fee will be waived.
7. Tecia McKay, Title I Director, shared district monitoring with informal E-walk observations in all schools. Data based professional learning is ongoing via the Instructional Coaches with data being studied to measure the impact. Title I federal monitoring will be held January 28. Parent meetings are ongoing with the most recent being ESOL Night to support limited English speaking parents.

8. Superintendent Thomas thanked central office administrators and school administrators for their hard work. Mrs. Thomas updated the board on CCRPI. Our total school system scores increased by 9%. Johnson County Elementary school has shown the largest increase (16%) across the three years of CCRPI scores being in place. JCES also exceeded the state average. Johnson County Middle School has also experienced an increase each year with this year almost reaching a 10% gain. Although Johnson County High School increased last year, the current scores reflect a dip. The district's overall average has consistently increased. Currently, all three schools are Title I School Wide Plans with no school identified as needs improvement school based on the state's identification of Priority, Focus, or Alert schools.
9. Superintendent Thomas also reported that the Striving Reading Grant application has been submitted. Ms. Thomas is hopeful that the system receives this grant.
10. Superintendent Thomas presented appreciation plaques to Mr. Bill Jackson and Mr. Alan Frost for their eight years of service on the board. Mrs. Thomas expressed her thanks for their hard work and dedication to the students of Johnson County.
11. Mr. Alvin Moorman commended outgoing board members Alan Frost and Bill Jackson and thanked them for their hard work and dedication to the students of Johnson County School.
12. On a motion by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Jackson; 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. Carter, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval.
13. Superintendent Thomas presented the following personnel recommendations. Recommendations were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Young, second by Mr. Jackson:

Resignations:

Bridgette Harrison, M/H Teacher

Teacher to Hire:

Carol Williams (pending TAPP acceptance)

Transfer:

Teresa Snead to JCES Counselor

(Effective 2015-2016 school year.)

The meeting was then adjourned.

JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

By: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Superintendent