

Board Minutes

January 18, 2011

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 in the board office at 7:00 p.m. with all members present. Chairman Moorman welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Donnie Carter gave the invocation and Marty Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was amended to move the setting of the board meeting schedule for 2011 and the election of Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman to the last two items of the agenda. Amended agenda was approved on a motion by Carter, second by Thompson; unanimous approval.
2. Gary Price presented a certificate from Dr. Martha Reichrath, Deputy State School Superintendent, to Dawn Howell, Special Education Coordinator for outstanding efforts to improve the performance of students with disabilities. The certificate recognized excellence in the education of students with disabilities by meeting state target for educating children in the least restrictive environment.
3. Dr. Hayward Cordy presented a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation included responses to a list of questions that Mr. Danny Williams had presented at the December 2010 board meeting. The presentation also included information presented during tax hearings which outlined reductions in state revenue as well as cost saving measures implemented by the board of education.
4. Mr. Danny Williams, who had requested to be on the agenda to receive answers to questions presented to the Board in December, spoke. Mr. Williams stated that he believed that the answers given were not specific enough. Mr. Williams questioned what the board planned to do if state funding cuts continue. Mr. Williams further questioned why an additional \$600,000 was passed on to taxpayers.
5. Mrs. Marie Sumner was not present.
6. The December 15, 2010 board minutes were approved on a motion by Thompson, second by Frost; unanimous approval.
7. The December 2010 financial report was approved on a motion by Carter, second by Jackson; unanimous approval.

8. The following board policies were approved on a motion by Jackson, second by Carter; unanimous approval:

BH Board Code of Ethics
BHA Board Member Conflict of Interest

Policies are attached and become a part of these minutes.

9. The following field trips and fundraisers were approved on a motion by Frost, second by Carter; unanimous approval:

FFA, National Jr. Swine Assoc. Regional Show,
Perry, Jan. 21-22, 2011
FFA, GA. Jr. National Livestock Show, Perry
Feb. 16-19, 2011
FFA, State Parli-Pro CDE, Covington,
March 18-19, 2011
Prom Committee, Spaghetti Supper,
Feb. 23, 2011

10. Mrs. Rebecca Thomas, JCES Principal, updated the board. The elementary school is busy preparing for CRCT, new teacher evaluation system, walk-throughs, class keys and Book of the Month. Teachers are working hard. Math interventions are in place. Mrs. Thomas remarked that the bar for achieving AYP goes up again this year, so even more attention is being directed toward student achievement in reading and math.
11. Dr. Runee Sallad updated the board on the middle/high school. Students and staff are busying working on Georgia High School Graduation Test, CRCT and writing exams. Senior Convocation will be held Sunday, January 23. Dr. Sallad discussed interventions that are in place to help students reach their academic goals. Board members were invited to attend a mini-awards ceremony for middle and high school students on January 28 beginning at 8 am.
12. Superintendent Cordy presented a facilities use request from the Relay for Life Committee/Girl Scouts to use the band room for a beauty pageant on 3-12-2011. Ashlyn Williamson will be the system person in charge of the pageant and fees will be waived. Request was unanimously approved on a motion by Frost, second by Jackson.

13. On a motion by Jackson, second by 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 rating of a public officer or employee. After discussion, a motion was made to come out of executive session by Thompson, second by Carter; unanimous approval.
14. On a motion by Carter, second by Frost; unanimous approval was given to hire Jeremy Kenneth Moore as a long-term substitute teacher for High School Math. Employment is pending background check.
15. Superintendent Cordy presented a proposed board meeting schedule for calendar year 2011 and January 2012. All meetings will be on the 3rd Tuesday of each month with the exception of May and December. The May meeting will be held May 24, 2011. The December meeting will be held December 13, 2011. All meetings will take place at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted and will be held at the Johnson County Board of Education Central Office. Jackson made the motion to approve this meeting schedule; second by Carter; unanimous approval. Schedule is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
16. Chairman Moorman opened the floor for nominations for chairman of board. Marty Thompson nominated Alvin Moorman for chairman, second by Frost; unanimous approval.
17. Chairman Moorman opened the floor for nominations for vice-chairman of the board. Alan Frost nominated Marty Thompson for vice-chairman, second by Carter; unanimous approval.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Chairman

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