

Board Minutes August 16, 2011

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 2011 in the board office at 7:00 p.m. Alvin Moorman, Alan Frost, Bill Jackson, and Donnie Carter were present. Chairman Moorman called the meeting to order. 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 principals' report and Pre-K program start up date. Amended agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Frost; unanimous approval.
2. The following board minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Frost, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval:

July 5, 2011 Called Meeting
July 19, 2011 Hearing
July 19, 2011 Regular Board Meeting
July 25, 2011 Called Meeting

3. Superintendent Warnock updated the board on the following items:
 - Census/Re-Districting – A meeting with the Reapportionment Office in Atlanta is scheduled for August 24.
 - Pre-K program start up date is August 18, 2011
 - Board members were presented certificates from the Georgia School Boards Association for successful completion of required board member training.
 - State School Superintendent Barge is requesting that local boards of education nominate a parent to serve on a State-wide Parents Advisory Council. September 9 is the deadline for nomination.
4. Superintendent Warnock presented revised School Calendars for FY12. Revised calendars include an additional instructional day for students on February 17, 2012. The revised calendars also decrease the number of system-wide furlough days from seven days to six days. Revised calendars also change the date for Homecoming from September 16 to October 7. Revised calendars were approved on a motion by Carter, second by Jackson; unanimous approval. Revised calendars are attached.

5. Elaine Merritt updated the board on the progress of the 21st Century Grant. Mrs. Merritt explained in detail the budget process and plans for the after school program. The after school program will begin August 22. Plans are in place to serve 220 students.
6. Charlie Lindsey updated the board on minor construction projects and technology projects that are ongoing. Mr. Lindsey thanked Mr. Donnie Carter and Mr. Ron Bray for their work on the pavilion that is being constructed at the middle/high school. Two bids were presented for the construction of hand rails and steps at the back entrance of the high school (loading dock). The board accepted the low bid from Randy Tanner at \$1385 on a motion by Mr. Frost, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval.
7. Mr. Gary Price updated the board on current student enrollment.
8. Mr. Gary Price presented policy JCDAG Bullying. The board unanimously approved the first reading of the policy on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Frost. Policy will lay on the table for thirty days and the second reading will be made at the next regular board meeting.
9. Mrs. Dawn Howell updated the board on our disproportionality status and presented the FY12 testing calendar for the system.
10. Mrs. Tecia McKay updated the board on Title I, Title III and professional learning. Mrs. McKay also spoke about the Consolidated LEA Improvement Plan (CLIP) and supplemental educational services that are available to students.
11. Mrs. Rebecca Thomas, JCES Principal, reported a smooth start of the school year. Mrs. Thomas thanked her teachers for their hard work. Mrs. Thomas also spoke about their instructional focus for the new year. Coaches are working hard. JCES School Plan is being updated with input from leadership team. Plans are being made to focus on improving technology use by the administrative team. Mrs. Thomas also spoke about the 25 book policy, homework committee, SWAT TEAM, and the evaluation of student data to determine interventions.
12. Mr. Lee Byrd, JCMS/HS Principal also reported a smooth start of the school year. Mr. Byrd reported no major discipline issues. Mr. Byrd thanked the board for their support in changing the date of Homecoming. This allows the school to more adequately prepare students for the State tests that are to be given close to the original date.
13. The July 2011 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. Frost; unanimous approval.

14. Patrice Tanner presented a Spending Resolution for the month of September 2011. Resolution will allow the Superintendent to continue to expend funds to continue operations. Resolution was approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval. Resolution is attached to these minutes.
15. The tentative FY12 Budget was approved on a motion by Carter, second by Frost; unanimous approval. A called board meeting will be held on August 30, 2011 at 9 a.m. to adopt a final budget as well as the 2011 millage rate.
16. On a motion by Mr. Frost, second by Mr. Carter; 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 Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. Frost; unanimous approval.
17. Superintendent Warnock presented a substitute teacher list for approval. List was approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Frost. Mr. Moorman, Mr. Frost, and Mr. Carter voted YES. Mr. Jackson abstained. List is attached to these minutes.
18. Superintendent Warnock presented a list of 21st Century grant employees for approval. List was approved on a motion by Mr. Carter, second by Mr. Jackson; unanimous approval List is attached to these minutes.
19. On a recommendation by Superintendent Warnock, the board unanimously accepted the resignation of Laurie Joiner, JCMS Teacher for the remainder of the school year. Motion by Mr. Carter, Second by Mr. Jackson.

20. Qualifications for 21st century paraprofessionals were changed to possession of a High School Diploma or GED equivalent and one of the following: Para-professional Certification, 2 years of college equivalency or Technical Diploma. Changes to qualifications were made on a motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. Frost; unanimous approval.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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By: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Superintendent