

Board Minutes

January 19, 2010

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 in the board office. All members were present with the exception of Donnie Carter. Chairman Moorman welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Marty Thompson gave the invocation and Bill Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was amended to allow Janice Davis to speak concerning the 2010 Census. Amended agenda was approved on a motion by Frost, second by Thompson; unanimous approval.
2. The December 15, 2009 Regular Board Meeting Minutes were approved on a motion Jackson, second by Frost; unanimous approval.
3. Ms. Janice Davis is a volunteer with the Johnson County Census Pre-Committee. The committee's main purpose is to make residents of Johnson County aware of the upcoming Census count prior to residents receiving forms that need to be completed.
4. The December 2009 Financial Report was approved on a motion by Jackson, second by Thompson; unanimous approval.
5. Superintendent Cordy introduced a proposed board meeting schedule for calendar year 2010 and January 2011. All meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month with the exception of May and December. The May meeting will be held May 25, 2010. The December meeting will be held December 14, 2010. Thompson made the motion to approve the meeting schedule, second by Jackson; unanimous approval. Schedule is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
6. Chairman Moorman opened the floor for nominations for chairman of the board. Marty Thompson nominated Alvin Moorman for chairman, second by Frost; unanimous approval.
7. Chairman Moorman opened the floor for nominations for vice-chairman of the board. Bill Jackson nominated Marty Thompson for vice-chairman, second by Frost; unanimous approval.

8. The following fund raiser was approved on a motion by Frost, second by Jackson; unanimous approval.

JCMS Girls Basketball, tournament, March 27, 2010

9. Principal Curtis Dixon invited board members to the Senior Convocation to be held on Sunday, January 24. Mr. Dixon informed the board that he will have curriculum for HIV/Aides to present to them at the February board meeting. The board will have to approve the curriculum before it is introduced to high school students. The high school design team is conducting a survey of students to determine reasons for dropping out of school. The purpose of the survey is to develop strategies to increase the graduation rate. The results of the survey will be submitted to the board at a later date. Eighth grade students will take the writing test on January 20. The middle school basketball season is over. The girls' basketball team placed second in the region and the boys' basketball team placed third in the region.
10. Principal Rebecca Thomas informed the board that the JCES PTO will meet on January 21 to receive written input from parents on the possibility of student uniforms. JCES and JCMS/HS will have a joint school council meeting on January 28 to compile input. Julie Morrill, the State Director of Reading First, will be visiting JCES to observe differentiated instruction during reading instruction. JCES will soon complete mid year benchmark testing. A state of the schools report will be given at the February board meeting. Ms. Thomas expressed concern in some areas of Math. Math interventions have been revamped in 3rd and 5th grade with some assistance provided with release time for Beth Martin. Ms. Thomas thanked school system for purchasing IPODS for EWalk Evaluations. It is a great time saver for administrators. 5th grade writing test will be in March.
11. Superintendent Cordy presented a request from the 4th of July Beauty Pageant Committee. Committee would like to hold a beauty pageant on May 1, 2010 in the band room. Request was approved on a motion by Jackson, second by Frost; unanimous approval. Facility use fees will apply.

10. Superintendent Cordy updated the board on the progress of the HVAC project at JCMS/HS as well as meters installed in the kitchens to monitor power usage. The Leadership team will meet on January 21 to discuss more budget cuts from the State as well as an amended calendar for reduction in contract days. Superintendent Cordy also informed the board on the process that will be followed in the upcoming search for a principal at JCMS/HS.
11. Deidre Ledford invited board members to the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet to be held on February 11.
12. On a motion by Frost, second by 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 rating of a public officer or employee. After discussion, a motion was made to come out of executive session by Jackson; second by Frost; unanimous approval.
13. On a motion by Jackson, second by Frost; unanimous approval was given to grant a leave of absence to Connie Phillips from January 15, 2010 through April 21, 2010. Ms. Phillips is a paraprofessional at JCES.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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