

Board Minutes
November 19, 2019

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Kevin Brantley, Donald Smith, Chris Fields, Alvin P. Moorman, and Marty Thompson were present. Mr. Brantley called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mr. Fields gave the invocation and Mr. Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
2. The October 15, 2019 regular meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval.
3. The October 2019 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Morris presented a board meeting schedule for 2019. After discussion, the meeting schedule was set on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval. This schedule is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
5. The following fund raising request was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith:
 - o JCHS FCCLA, Gift cards from PigglyWiggly and Side Track
6. Mr. Charles Howard, JCES Principal, presented discipline data for the month of October. He also updated the board on the PBIS Action Plan. He recognized Gunner Clements for his recent win of Grand Champion at the local Market Hog Show. Next, he commended the Mother Board and J J Rowland for their hard work to make the recent parent picnics, focusing on literacy, a huge success. A representative from the GaDOE was on hand to witness this event. She was very impressed with the parent participation and went "Facebook Live" during her visit. He happily announced that JCES was recognized as a Title I Rewards School and was ranked in the top 10% in the state.
7. Dr. Chris Watkins, JCMHS Principal, presented the State of the School for both middle and high schools. He presented data in all academic areas. The data shows a steady increase since 2017 but he says, "We are not where we need to be" He presented the discipline data for October. He also discussed the student scheduling for next year. Administration has begun working on this to be sure students are taking the correct classes and are on track to graduate on time.
8. Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Director of Facilities, Transportation, Technology, and SIS, updated the board on the recent bus inspections by the state. He commended Allan (BoBo) Thompson on the great work that he does for our transportation department. All buses passed inspection again this year.

9. Mr. Charlie Lindsey presented a facility request for Cherokee Rose Tae Kwon Do to use the Middle/High School on April 18, 2020. The request was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson. They also voted to waive the fee.
10. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Associate Superintendent of Federal Programs, updated the board on her programs. School Improvement is still focusing on district-wide literacy and furthering the focus on school culture and climate. Plans are underway to move the mission and vision into the community as we celebrate students at the hog shows, on the ball fields, and in academic competitions. In the area of curriculum, she commended GDOE Science Ambassadors, Amy Jackson and Siterro Wheeler. They are being trained by the GDOE to become state wide science trainers. International Night/Social Studies Fair is planned for Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at the Middle/High school. This event will allow students to celebrate diversity with presentations, technology, projects, and food samples from around the world. Next she noted that November is Parent Engagement Month. Ms. Jessica Garnto and, Ms. Dely Robertson were recognized for their role as parent involvement leaders. She also congratulated JCES being featured in the live video by GDOE.
11. Mrs. Debbie Morris, Director of Special Education and CTAE, announced that CTAE department had recently applied for and has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$32,241.00 to upgrade the welding lab. She also invited board members to the Advisory Board Luncheon on December 9, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.
12. On a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; 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. Moorman, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval.
13. Superintendent Morris presented personnel recommendations. The following recommendations were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Moorman:

To Hire:

Jennifer Amerson, Substitute Teacher

Resignation:

Alicia Johnson, Custodian

14. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

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By: Kem Bratley
Chairman

Attest: Edith Meru
Superintendent