

## **Board Minutes May 23, 2019**

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, May 23, 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. Moorman gave the invocation and Mr. Fields led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was amended to include discussion and approval of the FY20 Oconee RESA Membership. The amended agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
2. The April 16, 2019 regular meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
3. The April 2019 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Morris and board members reviewed the Parent/Family Engagement Policy presented by Mrs. McKay. On a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval was given to approve the Policy. This policy is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
5. Superintendent Morris presented the Resolution for Membership in Oconee RESA for FY20. The membership was approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval. The cost of membership is \$6,402. Resolution is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
6. The following field trips and fund raising requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson:
  - o JCMS FFA, Camp John Hope, Fort Valley, May 27 - 31, 2019
  - o JCHS Girls' Basketball, UCF, Orlando, FL, June 14 – 16, 2019
  - o JCHS FFA, Summer Camp, Covington, June 17 – 21, 2019
  - o JCMHS Competition Cheer, Camp, Pooler, GA, June 27 – 28, 2019
  - o JCMS Cheer, Spirit Night at DQ, May/June, 2019
  - o JCHS Beta, Spirit Wear, August 1 – September 6, 2019
7. Mr. Charles Howard, Elementary Principal, distributed and discussed the discipline data for the month of April 2019. He briefly discussed the GA Milestones data noting improvements in ELA and Math. There will be more information to follow. He then introduced Lydia Kate Garnto and congratulated her for winning first place in the state Fair Bear Writing Contest for 4<sup>th</sup> grade. He also commended her teacher, Mrs. Rana Winfrey. He invited the board members and county office employees to their staff luncheon to be held Wednesday, May 29, 2019.
8. Dr. Christopher Watkins, Middle/High Principal, also distributed and discussed the discipline data for the middle and high schools for the month of April. He

distributed a list of activities for the very busy month of May. He reminded the board members of graduation to be held Saturday, May 25, 2019. He also invited the board members and county office employees to their staff luncheon to be held on Wednesday, May 29, 2019.

9. Coach Don Norton addressed the board to discuss some highlights of recent events. He introduced Avery Thompson for winning the Vince Dooley Award which is presented to one male and one female in the state. This award is based on character, outstanding teamwork, and citizenship. He also recognized Rhett Wombles for receiving the Positive Athlete Award for Middle Georgia. Next, he commended Leneisha Davis on signing a basketball scholarship with Brewton Parker College. He also congratulated the Tennis Team for making the sweet16 and the baseball team for competing in the Elite 8. Finally, he proudly announced that Johnson County was awarded the Region 3A Sportsmanship Award to be recognized by the state.
10. Mrs. Debbie Morris, CTAE/Special Education Director, updated the board on testing. EOC, EOG, and Pathway testing is complete. The pathway testing and pathway completers are the highest ever for Johnson County. She also commended the CTAE staff on the recent Cord Ceremony. This was a great way to recognize our students and give our younger students something to work toward. In the area of Special Education, she discussed the increased partnerships with local agencies in placing students for work. There were a number of students placed with Easter Seals in Dublin and one locally at Piggly Wiggly. At least one more local agency has agreed to place a student in the next school year. Mrs. Morris then introduced Kaleigh Jordan for receiving her ServSafe and Managerial certifications. Kaleigh and Madison Kight also competed in an essay contest and won a laptop computer for college and \$25.00 cash.
11. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Associate Superintendent of Federal Programs, updated the board on the District Leadership Summit featuring Teacher Leaders and Vertical Teams (from all 3 schools) focused on district wide data. She also discussed the Georgia College and JCHS partnership for summer, Call Me Mister program. In the area of Federal Programs/Title 1, she noted that the Parent Satisfaction Surveys are complete for this year with a significant decrease in discipline concerns and mention of the Superintendent adding to the 'welcome' feeling in the schools. Culture is focused more on Student Achievement and Whole Child development and more aligned with other data reports.
12. Superintendent Morris asked that everyone remember and continue to pray for the family of LaSonya Evans, Elementary teacher, who recently passed away.
13. On a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Fields; 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. Fields, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.

14. Superintendent Morris presented personnel recommendations. The following recommendations were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Fields:

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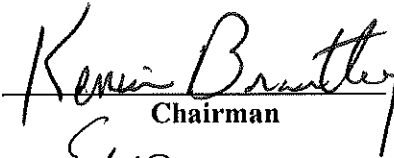
Susie Elbert, Substitute Teacher

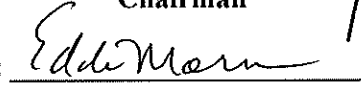
**To Resign:**

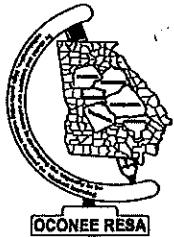
Jackqueline Nelson, Alternative School Teacher

15. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

**JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD  
OF EDUCATION**

By:   
Chairman

Attest:   
Superintendent



Dr. Hayward Cordy  
Executive Director

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*MEMORANDUM*

DATE: May 14, 2019  
TO: Mr. Eddie Morris, Superintendent  
Johnson County School System  
FROM: Hayward Cordy  
Executive Director  
RE: FY2020 Membership

Enclosed is the Oconee RESA System Membership Resolution for FY2020. Please review and present to your board for membership approval.

The membership fee for FY2020 is \$ 6,402 (FTE: 1164).  
*The FY19 fee was \$6,397(FTE: 1163).*

The membership fee is based on the 2018-3 FTE Report dated March 1, 2018.  
The cost per FTE is \$5.50.

Thank you for your continued support to Oconee RESA.

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**A RESOLUTION FOR  
LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM MEMBERSHIP  
IN A  
REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY (RESA)**

WHEREAS, under the Georgia Quality Basic Education Act, the State Board of Education has made available monies to RESA's for cooperating School Districts, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Regional Educational Service Agencies is to provide shared services which are designed to improve the effectiveness of educational programs in local school districts, and

WHEREAS, the Johnson County School System

realized the need of such supplemental services:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Johnson County Board of

Education in official session on May 23, 2019

Agrees to enter into contract, as a member system, with the

**OCONEE REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY (RESA)**

During the 2019-2020 school year, and further agrees to remit membership dues, and other costs for services provided by RESA. This agreement is contingent on the cost being satisfactory with this School Board and upon the State providing certain State funds.

Eddie Moran  
Superintendent

Kerns Bretly  
Board Chairman

5-23-19  
Date

RESA Director

FY2020 Membership Fee: \$ 6,402

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