

Board Minutes
January 15, 2019

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 in the board office at 5:00 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. Thompson 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. Smith, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval.
2. The December 11, 2018 regular meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval.
3. The December 2018 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
4. Chairman Brantley called for nominations for Board Chair for 2019. Mr. Smith made motion to have Mr. Brantley remain as board chairman and Mr. Thompson remain as board vice chairman. Mr. Fields seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
5. Superintendent Morris discussed plans for the annual whole board training. The board agreed by consensus to have Superintendent Morris contact Attorney Phil Hartley and GSBA to plan the date for February or March.
6. Superintendent Morris presented a board meeting schedule for 2019. After much discussion, Mr. Moorman suggested that the schedule be consistent each month to allow for easier planning for school functions. He also noted that it would also be more conducive for the community. After much discussion, the meeting schedule was set on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; with Smith, Fields, Thompson, and Brantley voting yes and Moorman voting no. This schedule is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
7. Superintendent Morris presented Policy DCL – Fund Balance for second reading. This policy was approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval. Policy is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
8. The following field trip and fund raising requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith:
 - JCHS Beta Club, Convention, Savannah, Jan.23-25, 2019
 - JCMHS Girls Basketball, Glitz by Paparazzi, Jan. 16 – Feb. 28, 2019
 - JCMHS Tennis, DQ Night, Jan. 31, 2019
 - JCMHS Tennis, Fan Cloth Apparel, Jan. 22 – Feb. 1, 2019

9. Mr. Charles Howard, Elementary Principal, announced that the Father/Daughter Dance was coming up on February 9, 2019. He discussed discipline data for the month of December, with only 8 referrals. Then he introduced his 'Grand Band' of students who had Lexile scores of 1000 or higher. This list includes:

Caleb Foskey	Joseph Rowland
Iris Foskey	Jackston Scarboro
Noah Garner	Parker Smith
Lydia Kate Garnto	Cameron Spivey
Lillian Mason	Natalie Walters
Will Peters	Riley Wilson
Reagan Reese	

10. Dr. Christopher Watkins, Middle/High Principal, proudly announced that this year's STAR student is Avery Thompson and the STAR teacher is Mrs. Shirley Tharpe. He updated the board on events at his school including the fall sports banquet being held tonight and benchmark testing. He also shared discipline data to date. The Middle school has 133 referrals and the High school has 148 referrals this year. This time last year was 195 and 334 respectively.
11. Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Director of Facilities, Transportation, and SIS, apprised the board that ESPN had called and would be in Wrightsville and Johnson County in the next few days. They are planning a documentary on Hershel Walker. The crew will be visiting the schools and doing interviews with local citizens.
12. Superintendent Morris commented on the safety of students and staff. He conveyed that safety was always in the forefront. He also expressed his gratitude for the working relationship with EMA and local enforcements in time of need.
13. On a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson; 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.
14. Superintendent Morris presented personnel recommendations. The following recommendations were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Fields:

To Hire:

Matthew Meeks – Science Teacher
 Tiffany Rhodes, Substitute Teacher
 Christy Anderson, Substitute Teacher

Resignations:

Lashonda Warthen, Bus Driver
 Sykia Lorge, Paraprofessional

15. The meeting was then adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

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By: *Kerri Brantly*
Chairman

Attest: *Eddie Morris*
Superintendent