

Board Minutes
October 17, 2017

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 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. Thompson gave the invocation and Mr. Fields 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 September 19, 2017 regular meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
3. The September 2017 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval.
4. Mr. Bill Sampson, GSBA Board Development Specialist, addressed the board to follow up on the recent superintendent search.
5. On a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval was given on the following policies for first reading:
 - Policy GBRI Professional Personnel Personal Leave and Absences
 - Policy JBCA(2) Unsafe School Choice Option
 - Policy BBH Awards, Recognitions, and Certificates
 - Policy JBC School Admissions
6. The following fund raising requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Moorman:
 - JCMHS, Student/Staff Games, Dance, and Movie Oct. 19, 2017 – Feb. 6, 2018
 - FCCLA, Grilled Chickens, Nov. 10, 2017
7. Mr. Howard, JCES principal, presented some student work focused on writing. JCES Motherboard is hosting a movie night on October 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. October 26, 2017 will be PTO night with trick-or-treating in the hallways and decorated pumpkins on display. He also announced that State Superintendent Richard Woods would be visiting the elementary school on November 17, 2017 to get input from our school about current school needs.

8. Mrs. Merritt, JCMHS principal, also presented some student work with an emphasis on writing. She was very pleased to announce that graduation rates were up and cohorts are being formed. Georgia Power paid a visit to the school this week to work with students. PSAT will be given next week. The Cross Country Team hosted the first meet here with four other schools attending. She also commended the following on their recent achievements:
 - Gracie Ann Foskey, Swine Shows
 - Mary Grace Winfrey, Fair Bear Writing Contest State Winner
 - Kaleigh Jordan and Jersey Scott, numerous 4-H winnings
 - Josie Sumner and Mr. Vernon Skelly, Rotary Student/Teacher of the Month
9. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Director of Curriculum & School Improvement, announced that the district is working on transferability with the Federal Programs budgets to align funds and better provide programs for students. Title III / ESOL funding is being cut next year. Superintendent Morris will work with RESA for possible resolution. She also commended Mrs. Debbie Morris and Mrs. Deidre Ledford for the picture wall in the board room. She notes specifically that it is a symbolism of academic culture reflecting that our system is "all about kids."
10. Charlie Lindsey, Director of Technology, Facilities, Transportation, and SIS, presented a facility use request for Cherokee Rose Tae Kwon Do for April 14, 2018. This request was approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
11. Mr. Lindsey also advised that the gym floor recoating is complete and the paint touch up is on-going. He also was excited about the first cross country meet that was held today at our school. Lastly, he commended the data reporting team for their hard work on FTE and student records. This team includes Mrs. Morris, Mrs. McKay, principals, registrars, counselors, and media specialists.
12. Superintendent Morris apprised the board of the GSBA Board Recognition Program for FY18. This program is a 3 tier, 3-year process to achieve the highest level. The 3 levels are Quality, Distinguished, and Exemplary.
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. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.

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

To Hire Substitute Teachers:

Shona Gibson
Brittany Hutcheson
Sakerial Wright

Resignations:

Candice Claxton, Paraprofessional
Sheena Newsome, School Secretary
Patrice Tanner, Bookkeeper

15. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

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By: Kenneth Bentley
Chairman

Attest: Eddie Morris
Superintendent