

Board Minutes
September 19, 2017

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, September 19, 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. Moorman, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval.
2. The August 15, 2017 regular meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
3. The August 2017 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Morris recommended that Ms. Nancy Colston be reappointed as a Johnson County Library Board Member. This reappointment was approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
5. On a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval was given to purchase a new bus from Yancey Bus Sales in the amount of \$86,174 from SPLOST funds.
6. Superintendent Morris, Mr. Charlie Lindsey, and board members extensively discussed the bids for the air conditioning of the middle/high gym. On a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval was given to reject the bids as presented. It was then decided to change the specifications and take new bids.
7. The following fund raising requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Moorman:
 - o JCHS, Student Council, Candy, Sept. 20 – Oct. 31, 2017
 - o JCHS, Student Council, Spirit Items, Sept. 20 – Dec. 15, 2017
 - o JCMS, Cheerleaders, T-shirts, Sept. 20 – Oct. 1, 2017
 - o JCES, Media Center, Book Fair, Oct. 2017 and March 2018
 - o JCHS, Beta Club, Pancake Supper, Oct. 5, 2017
 - o JCMS, Girls' Basketball, Donations, Oct. 9 – 25, 2017
 - o JCES Media Center, Reading for Education, Feb. 12 – 15, 2018

8. Mr. Howard, JCES principal, announced that students from his school would be participating in the Technology Competition at Central Georgia Technical College. He invited board members to PTO on Thursday night; the emphasis will be on PBIS. He explained that there would be district walk-through training on Friday to get everyone unified. He also congratulated his students of the month for August: Aniyah Pullen and Tyden Hall.
9. Mrs. Merritt, JCMHS principal, announced that representatives from Georgia Military College will be on hand for parent meetings on Wednesday and Monday. Currently sophomores are testing for college placement. Mrs. Martin's business class is producing a newsletter which is something new for our students and parents. She acknowledged Mr. John Buxton and Ms. Siterro Wheeler for their work with PBIS. She also congratulated Katelyn Jackson and Mrs. Cori Fields for being chosen as the Rotary student and teacher of the month.
10. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Director of Curriculum & School Improvement, announced that Johnson County Schools is partnering with Georgia Southern for P2O. We have a three year plan for STEM and STEAM. The new science and social studies standards are being implemented system wide. She also commended our instructional coaches for their part in supporting our staff and professional learning.
11. Mrs. Redessa Crawford presented updates for the middle/high lunchroom to the board for approval. The board unanimously approved these updates on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson.
12. Charlie Lindsey, Director of Facilities, Transportation, and SIS, updated the board on the lighting project at the middle/high gym. The gym is now fully lit with LED lights. Plans are in the works for some painting and additional cosmetic updates.
13. Superintendent Morris talked to the board about the need for a plan for the property on Chadwick Drive. This plan needs to be implemented in stages. Mr. Dale Brantley presented a drawing of how a baseball field, softball field, tennis courts, and cross country course could be placed. It was also discussed that various in-kind services had been offered by community members and/or parents. On a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Fields, unanimous approval was given to allow Superintendent Morris to proceed with any minor projects that could be taken care of in the near future. Mr. Bill Sampson, GSBA, will be at the October board meeting to follow-up on the recent superintendent search. Superintendent Morris also discussed the need for the millage rate to be at 15 for FY19. We are currently at 14.836. We could lose equalization funds if it continues to

remain below 15. He also commented on the recent hurricane scare in our county. He stated that he learned just how wonderful and caring Johnson County people are. They all worked together to make the best decisions for the citizens of our county. Mr. Brantley spoke up about a conversation with our EMA director, Mr. Shawn Wombles. Mr. Wombles wanted to thank Mr. Morris for making himself accessible and attending the meetings during this crisis.

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

To Hire Substitute Teachers:

Amy Clements
Janice Folsome Davis
April Glancey
Jennifer Hudson
Delphine Skinner
Wendy Smith

16. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

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By: Keri Brantley
Chairman

Attest: Ed Moorman
Superintendent