

January 7, 2018

The Jasper City Board of Education met on Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the boardroom at the Central Office. Members present were Willie Moore, Teresa Sherer, Walker Wilson, Scott Thornley, and Mary Beth Barber.

Chairperson Willie Moore called the meeting to order with the first item to be approved being the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Teresa Sherer with a second by Mary Beth Barber. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the amended January 7, 2018 personnel report was made by Teresa Sherer with a second by Walker Wilson. The motion carried.

Dr. Jackson called upon Mr. Jonathan Allen, principal of T.R. Simmons Elementary School, to introduce his new employee. Mr. Allen took the honor of the floor to first speak of the previous long-time employee in the position (and former TRS student), Mrs. Janice Bobbitt, and her retirement following 40 years of hard work, commitment, dedication, and love to our system and students. Mr. Allen was very glad to welcome Mr. Hunter Nichols aboard to fill the position.

Last, but not least, Board Chairman Willie Moore called upon Dr. Ann Jackson to introduce the next personnel addition in attendance. Dr. Jackson was delighted to take the floor for this event as she advised the Board and community in attendance that it had been a very lengthy, detailed, and precise endeavor. She relayed the fact that there were 19 coaches in that embodied what Jasper City Schools was looking for in a coach and most of them were interviewed. Dr. Jackson commended Jonathan Jordan, JCS Athletic Director, for all his knowledge, hard work, and time spent in this process to get it right. Dr. Jackson advised the selection was narrowed down to a Top 5, which actually came down to a Top 3 by matter of circumstances. A committee of JCS administration, teachers, and community stakeholders was formed to aide in this final process. A few Jasper High School football players were also present to observe, assist, and give insight. The committee spent two hours with each candidate hearing some amazing presentations and asking questions. Upon completion, deliberation took place among the committee members. While some very good candidates were heard with great potential, the clear choice was evident as all voices lead to the same one leaving the decision unanimous. It was with great honor, Dr. Jackson proudly and graciously announced Coach Bryan Moore as the new Head Football Coach for Jasper High School.

Coach Bryan Moore was delighted to accept the role and duties as Head Football Coach of Jasper High School. Coach Moore conveyed his gratitude to the Board and Dr. Jackson as he expressed how impressed he was with the whole process. He mentioned: it was the most extensive he had ever been through; having a panel of 20 was different; being able to actually give a presentation was different and unique; it was a top notch process from beginning to end. Coach Moore again thanked everyone present, as well as those not present, who were involved in the process in any way. He also voiced how excited he was to set up roots and be a part of the Jasper Community.

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Superintendent Dr. Ann Jackson requested adoption of a motion to approve the request for the following overnight field trips/sporting events:

- Jasper High School Boys and Girls Tennis Teams
 - (1) Muscle Shoals Shootout; February 9-10
 - (2) AHSAA State Tournament; April 23-24

A motion to approve the overnight trip requests was made Mary Beth Barber with a second by Teresa Sherer. The motion was unanimously approved.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.