

**Jasper City Board of Education
Board Briefs**

February 25, 2013

The Jasper City Board of Education met in regular session on February 25, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. in the boardroom at the Central Office.

The financial report and bank reconciliations were given by the Jasper City Schools Chief School Financial Officer, Monique Rector for the month of January 2013. Mrs. Rector reported a balance in the General Fund of \$6,011,111.16 as of January 31, 2013. The balance in the Capital Projects Fund as of January 31, 2013 is \$5,562,904.79. Mrs. Rector also presented the monthly bank reconciliations and sales tax comparisons for January 2013. Graphs and charts were presented to show city and county revenue collections from 2011 to 2013. On a motion given by Mr. Moore and a second by Mr. Beall, the financial reports for the month of January 2013 were unanimously approved.

Dr. Sparkman requested adoption of a motion to approve the disposal of surplus items for the district. On a motion by Mr. Beall and a second by Mr. Moore, the motion carried.

The Superintendent then requested adoption of a motion to approve the following overnight field trips:

- JCS District chess team – April 4-7, 2013, to attend the Chess Super Nationals v Tournament in Nashville, TN.
- West Jasper Elementary School fourth grade students – May 13-15, 2013, to participate in a 3 day learning experience at Camp McDowell.
- Walker High School Anchor Club – March 23-24, 2013, to attend the Alabama Anchor District Convention in Montgomery, AL.

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson to approve the overnight field trip requests and a second was made by Mr. Moore. The motion was unanimously approved.

Superintendent Sparkman requested adoption of a motion to approve the school board member code of conduct. The Board unanimously approved this document on a motion by Mr. Beall and a second by Mr. Nelson.

Dr. Sparkman requested adoption of a motion to approve a make-up day on the 2012-2013 school calendar. Due to inclement weather in January, the district had one day to make up. The recommendation is to permit students to make up this weather day by way of an eSchool day. This day will require work at home, but will not require physical attendance in a school building. The time period is between April 15-26, 2013. Students will be able to complete assignments that will equal a full school day. On a motion by Mr. Nelson and a second by Mr. Beall, the motion carried.

The personnel report was approved.

Dr. Sparkman recognized the accomplishments of the fine arts and athletic teams listed below:

- 2012 Walker Viking junior varsity girls' basketball team and coach Heath Guin for an undefeated season of 17 – 0, and being the Haleyville Thanksgiving Tournament champions.
- 2012 Walker Viking volleyball team and coach Glenda Wright and assistant coaches for their season accomplishments of 5-A Area 12 Runner Up and season record of 29-16, and state playoff participants.
- 2012-2013 Walker Viking competition cheerleading squad and coach Amber Wright for their performances in the following:
 - BAMA Bash Competition – 1st place
 - North Alabama Regional Competition – 2nd place
 - ASHAA 5-A State Competition – 3rd place
 - UCA National Competition – 5th place

Plaques were presented by Dr. Darrell Cooper to the coaches and teams represented at the meeting of the Board.

An update on the iPad distribution was given by Dr. Martha LaCroix, who reported that the roll-out of the new iPad's to the students was efficient, with the only issue being that the district had to purchase additional bandwidth to accommodate the additional technology in the system. As of board meeting time, there were only 2 schools left to receive their iPads – Memorial Park Elementary and West Jasper Elementary.

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