

**Jasper City Board of Education
Board Briefs**

October 22, 2012

The Jasper City Board of Education met in regular session on October 22, 2012 at 5:00 P.M. in the Central Office conference room. Members present were Chairperson Rene Simmons, Roy Beall, Willie Moore III and Teresa Sherer. Superintendent Robert Sparkman was also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rene Simmons, and the agenda was unanimously adopted on a motion by Mr. Beall and a second by Mr. Moore.

Chairperson Rene Simmons called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2012 board meeting. The motion was given by Mrs. Sherer and a second by Mr. Beall. This motion was approved with a unanimous vote.

The Jasper City Schools financial report was given by Mrs. Monique Rector, Chief School Financial Officer, for the month of September 2012. Mrs. Rector reported that the ending balance on the general fund account was \$5,839,532.77 and the capital projects fund had an ending balance of \$5,695,679.65. Mrs. Rector also supplied the Board with bank reconciliations from each school as well as a sales tax comparison report and a check register accountability report. All bank accounts within the District balanced without any issues. With a motion by Mrs. Sherer and a second by Mr. Moore, the motion carried.

The personnel report was approved.

Dr. Sparkman presented Willie Moore III, Roy Beall and Teresa Sherer with certificates recognizing their accomplishment in advancing a level in school board member training through the Alabama Association of School Board's academy.

Continuous Improvement Plans for Walker High School and West Jasper Elementary School were presented. Mr. Gary Boling, principal of Walker High School, expressed hope that the new technology in classrooms as well as increased teacher training will increase testing scores within the school. Mrs. Rita Pilling, principal of West Jasper Elementary School, provided information to the members of the board showing that West Jasper School met 15 out of 15 benchmarks required for this school year. She stated that the efforts of after-school tutoring as well as individualized instruction should bring even greater proficiency in their assessments.

With no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned to book study – *What Works In Schools*.