

Board Minutes
November 15, 2022

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Chris Fields, Kevin Brantley, Alvin P. Moorman, Donald Smith, and Marty Thompson were present. Chairman Fields called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mr. Moorman gave the invocation and Mr. Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
2. The October board meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
3. The October 2022 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Watkins introduced Mrs. Sallie Lunzmann as the District Teacher of the Year. She thanked the system and stated, “this is such a great feeling and an honor, because the other candidates were very deserving also”.
5. Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Associate Superintendent, presented a Guaranteed Maximum Price agreement with Pope Construction for the JCES renovation project. This agreement was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
6. Superintendent Watkins and board members discussed the 2022 millage rate. On a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Moorman, unanimous approval was given to set the 2022 millage rate a 14.50.
7. The following fund-raising request were approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval:
 - JCMS Cheer,
 - JCHS BETA,
8. Mr. Charles Howard, Principal JCES, thanked the board for their support and moving forward with the renovation project at JCES. He shared student work from Pre-K. He also discussed the discipline data to date for this school year. He commented on the Parent Picnics being a great success today and was looking forward to tomorrow. He invited the board members to PTO on Thursday, November 17, 2022. He also confirmed that grades K-2 would be participating in the STEM Fair in February.
9. Mr. Reid Bethea, Principal JCMHS, presented the State of the School for both Johnson County Middle School and High School, respectively. He reviewed data in detail such as: enrollment, demographics, SIP goals, SEL, discipline, parental

involvement, academic ranking within Oconee RESA, and next steps for the school.

10. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Associate Superintendent, shared curriculum highlights including JCMHS features “Starbooks” coffee shop in the media center, hands on science with 5 Es Model, and Social Studies writing across the curriculum.
11. Dr. Hanna Kiser, Director of Special Education and CTAE, presented the Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment/Plan for CTAE. She discussed the four primary overarching needs. This Plan was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
12. Dr. Julie Kight, Director of Literacy and Community Outcomes updated the board on her area of Literacy. She discussed the various opportunities that gives the students in our community more access to literacy. These items include: newborn literacy packet, community literacy partners, community literacy day, literacy sports nights, book vending machines, grandparent’s literacy group, parent orientations, and literacy/STEAM nights. She also introduced two of the community literacy partners, Ms. Gina Smith and Mrs. Carolyn Waters, who both said the program is going great and both were appreciative of the support and resources that were being given to them.
13. On a motion by Mr. Brantley, 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. Brantley, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
14. Superintendent Watkins presented personnel recommendations. The recommendations below were approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.

To Hire:

Leroy Jones, part time custodian
Felicia Norris, Paraprofessional

15. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD
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By: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Superintendent