

**Board Minutes**  
**April 18, 2023**

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 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. Thompson gave the invocation and Mr. Brantley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
2. The March 21, 2023 board meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
3. The March 2023 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
4. The following fund-raising request was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval:
  - Jr. BETA, Donation Calendar, April 20, 2023 – May 24, 2023
5. Mr. Charles Howard, JCES Principal, shared his current discipline data with the board. He also updated on testing progress. He thanked the Board, Superintendent Watkins and all who are involved in the renovation project and the new outdoor classroom that are in the works. He also expressed his excitement about having 16 students attending the upcoming STEM Fair at Oconee RESA on May 5, 2023.
6. Mr. Reid Bethea, JCMHS Principal, introduced Coach Willie Taylor and members of the middle school baseball team. They won the Oconee River Middle School region championship. He updated the board on testing at both schools, and the numerous sports events that are happening. He also congratulated Raylan Farmer for being a Fair Bear Writing Winner for our district. He then announced that BETA has been named a 2022-2023 National BETA School of Merit and this is a true indication of academic success.
7. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Associate Superintendent, presented a visual for the outdoor learning center that will be installed at JCES (ESSER funding – offset learning loss and SEL). She also invited the board to the District Wide Title I Input Meeting that is being held on May 1, 2023, for the FY24 school year.
8. Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Associate Superintendent, updated the board on the progress of the Elementary School Renovation. Everything is on schedule as of today. He also discussed the various next level sporting events that have been and will be taking place here in Johnson County. So far, we have hosted region track, region baseball, and will host state tennis.

9. Superintendent Watkins presented the board with the results of the recent Comprehensive Facilities Study. On a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval was given to approve the Local Facilities Plan for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027. Resolution is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
10. Superintendent Watkins informed the board of the recent state financial audit. There were no findings and he thanked the office staff for their hard work. He also commended Coach Taylor and the middle school baseball team for winning region. He noted that there are some great students in Johnson County and there is so much to be proud of.
11. On a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Thompson; 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. Smith, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.
12. Superintendent Watkins presented personnel recommendations. The recommendations below were approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Brantley, unanimous approval.
  - To Hire:
  - Curtis Brown, Teacher
  - Jordan Crabb, Teacher
  - Heather Floyd, Teacher
  - Brooke Shenk, Assistant Business & Finance Manager
  - Kristyn Ivey, Part-time ESOL/Migrant/Immigrant Director
  - Chuck Beale, Varsity Softball Coach
  
  - To Resign:
  - Andrew Claxton, Teacher
  - Daniell Foots, Teacher
13. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

**JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD  
OF EDUCATION**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairman**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Superintendent**