

Board Minutes February 21, 2023

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, February 21, 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. Moorman 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. Smith, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.
2. The January 17, 2023 board meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
3. The January 2023 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Watkins presented the final option for the 2023-2024 school calendar. This option was voted on by the staff and was favored by 62.2 %. On a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval was given to approve this calendar option. A copy of this calendar is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
5. The following fund-raising requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval:
 - JCHS Archery Team, Donation Calendars, Feb. 22 – Mar. 22, 2023
 - JCMHS Beta, Miss Trojan Beauty Pageant, May 6, 2023
 - JCMHS Beta, Daddy Daughter Dance, April 15, 2023
 - JCMHS Beta, Krispy Kreme Donuts, April 17 – 28, 2023
 - JR BETA, Earth Candle, March 13 – 27, 2023
 - JR BETA, Cookies, March 30 – April 12, 2023
 - JR BETA, Chain Link Competition, April 27 – May 10, 2023
6. Mr. Charles Howard, JCES Principal, and Mrs. Tecia McKay, Associate Superintendent, introduced Mrs. Carol Williams and some of her first-grade students. They shared their recent work from Science by showing an experiment. This experiment was called “Why is the Sky Blue?” They used water, milk, and a flashlight to show the blue color of the sky and then formed clouds.
7. Mr. Reid Bethea, JCMHS Principal, updated the board on discipline data for both schools. He shared many of the activities going on at both schools including getting ready for upcoming testing, sports, PBIS, Science Fair results, State BETA results, MS Winter Formal, Pi Night, and CTAE month. He gave a special congratulations to the Varsity Girls’ Basketball team for winning the Region.
8. Superintendent Watkins presented for Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Associate Superintendent, in his absence. He presented the board with a list some

immediate and long term needs for maintenance. The cost is \$30,500.00. This list was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval. This list is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.

9. Superintendent Watkins presented a facility request from the fourth of July Committee for the annual Beauty Pageant to be held on June 3, 2023. On a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval to approve the request and waive the fee.
10. During Public Participation, Ms. Kala Holiday addressed the board with her concerns about her son and his safety.
11. 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. Moorman; unanimous approval.
12. Superintendent Watkins presented Vicki Bray for employment for the 2023-2024 school year. The vote was 4 YES with Mr. Fields abstaining.
13. Superintendent Watkins presented Cori Fields for employment for the 2023-2024 school year. The vote was 4 YES with Mr. Fields abstaining.
14. Superintendent Watkins presented Mary Beth Thompson for employment for the 2023-2024 school year. The vote was 4 YES with Mr. Thompson abstaining.
15. Superintendent Watkins presented Connie Brantley for employment for the 2023-2024 school year. The vote was 4 YES with Mr. Brantley abstaining.
16. Superintendent Watkins presented personnel recommendations. The recommendations below were approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Smith, unanimous approval.

To Hire:

Attached list of Teachers/Administrators

17. The meeting was then adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

**JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD
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By: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Superintendent