

Board Minutes
March 21, 2023

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

The following business was transacted:

1. The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
2. The February 20, 2023 called meeting and the February 21, 2023 regular board meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
3. The February 2023 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Watkins presented a revised school calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. On a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval was given to approve this amended calendar. A copy of this calendar is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
5. On a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval was given to have Mr. Thompson represent the board at the Delegate Assembly and Mr. Moorman serve as alternate representative in June at the GSBA Conference
6. The following fund-raising requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval:
 - JCHS Football, Coke Products, April – May, 2023
 - JCES P.E., Donations, American Heart Assoc., March 22, 2023 – April 5, 2023
7. Mr. Charles Howard, JCES Principal, shared his current discipline data with the board. He also updated them on various types of data pertaining to reading in the different grade levels. He noted that students and staff were preparing for the upcoming milestone tests.
8. 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, MTSS, Lunch with Principal initiative, APTT, EOCT, Credit Recovery, Parent Input Meeting, Rotary Speech Contest Winners, CTAE competitions, and Prom.
9. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Associate Superintendent, informed the board that the SWSS Contract is still in place for another year. In the area of curriculum, she discussed how students are learning to monitor their own progress in reading and writing. Also noted was more 5E Science, writing in Social Studies, Lexile scores, and

building DOK capacity. She updated the board on Federal Programs by mentioning our Social Worker's focus on attendance, STEM Literacy Bus, Outdoor Learning Center (STEM focused), and the Reading Endorsement cohort. She also touched on Parent Engagement and the Parent Input Meetings for each school. The next one will be May 4, 2023. Lastly, she talked about professional development by mentioning the upcoming paraprofessional training and the Emotional Poverty book study.

10. Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Associate Superintendent, discussed the recent Local 5 Year Facility Plan update. This was done virtually this year and was a smooth process. He updated the board on the Elementary Renovation project. Pope Construction plans to start during spring break. He thanked Mr. Bethea for allowing them to use the MS Gym for storage during this renovation.
11. Superintendent Watkins presented the board members a certificate and gift in recognition of Board Member Appreciation Week. He thanked them for their continued service to the students, staff, and community. Dr. Watkins also applauded the great work going on in the schools and community with Literacy.
12. On a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Moorman; 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. Moorman, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
13. Superintendent Watkins presented personnel recommendations. The recommendations below were approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Smith, unanimous approval.

To Resign:
Zachery Dollar
Alexis Lemon-Harper
Regina Marcus
Cassie Walters

14. The meeting was then adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

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By: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Superintendent