

**Jasper City Schools
Board Minutes
November 27, 2023**

The Jasper City Board of Education met on November 27, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at the Jasper High School Theater. Members present were Teresa Sherer, Walker Wilson, Scott Thornley, and Mary Beth Barber. Willie Moore joined at 4:10 p.m. at the beginning of the superintendent's report. Superintendent Dr. Ann Jackson was also in attendance.

Vice-Chairperson Teresa Sherer called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. with the first item to be approved being the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Scott Thornley and a second given by Mary Beth Barber. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Jackson called for a motion to approve the board minutes from the October 23, 2023 board meeting. A motion to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2023 board meeting was made by Mary Beth, a second by Scott Thornley, and the motion carried.

Superintendent Dr. Ann Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the following personnel report:

EMPLOYMENT

1. Approve the employment of Darold Newton as substitute bus driver for the District, effective November 28, 2023.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2. Approve a leave of absence for good cause of Kirsten Hawkins Al-Jabsheh, 1st grade teacher at T.R. Simmons Elementary School, effective November 27, 2023 – February 26, 2024.

NOTIFICATION

- Kaitlyn Beall, teacher at Memorial Park Elementary School, requested FMLA leave of absence from January 4, 2024 – March 22, 2024.
- Alicia Key, general aide at Maddox Intermediate School, requested FMLA leave of absence from November 7, 2023 – December 19, 2023.

A motion to approve the personnel report was made by Walker Wilson, a second by Mary Beth Barber, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ann Jackson and the Board of Education proudly recognized the following:

- Teachers of the Year Recognition – Schools and District Winners
Cathy Jones - T.R. Simmons Elementary School
Jessica Elliott - Memorial Park Elementary School
Missy Bryan - Maddox Intermediate School and District Elementary
Brandon Franks - Jasper Jr. High School
Gunter Wisdom - Jasper High School and District Secondary
- Certified Academic Language Therapist (CALT) Recognition – Nikki Nix

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- A+ School of Excellence Recognition – Jasper Jr. High School
- Marzano High Reliability Recognition – All Schools
- ACT 30+ Club Recognition – New Members
Sarah Barton
William "Park" Hall
Alex Kluesner
Luke Tuggle
Carter Reed
Bethany Fuller
- 2023 USMC/AVCA Volleyball Team Academic Award – Jasper High School Volleyball
- 5A State Champions “Back to Back” Recognition – Jasper High School Marching Band

Dr. Jackson recommended approval of the following overnight and/or out-of-state trip requests:

- JHS Varsity Boys Basketball to Gatlinburg, TN on Dec. 26-31, 2023
- JHS Varsity Cheerleaders to Nationals in Orlando, FL on Feb. 7-13, 2024
- JHS Rotary to RYLA Youth Leadership Program in Huntsville, AL on Feb. 15-17, 2024

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the trip requests as presented. A motion to approve the trip requests was made by Walker Wilson, a second by Teresa Sherer, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ann Jackson called upon CSFO Monique Rector to present the September 2023 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations as follows:

- September 2023:
The General Fund had an ending balance of \$15,019,285.85.
The Special Revenue Fund had an ending balance of \$1,344,150.44.
The Capital Projects Fund had an ending balance of \$4,959,504.36.
All school bank accounts balanced without issues.
A check register report was given outlining checks paid from September 1-30, 2023.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the September 2023 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations as presented. A motion to approve the September 2023 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations was made by Scott Thornley, a second by Mary Beth Barber, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ann Jackson called upon CSFO Monique Rector to present the October 2023 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations as follows:

- October 2023:
The General Fund had an ending balance of \$14,502,551.21.
The Special Revenue Fund had an ending balance of \$1,807,103.14.
The Capital Projects Fund had an ending balance of \$4,980,969.44.
All school bank accounts balanced without issues.

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A check register report was given outlining checks paid from October 1-31, 2023.

Chairperson Willie Moore recommended adoption of a motion to approve the October 2023 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations as presented. A motion to approve the October 2023 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations was made by Teresa Sherer, a second by Walker Wilson, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ann Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the property purchase of the old Daily Mountain Eagle Building as negotiated by board attorney. In addition, Scott Thornley requested to include the recommendation to waive any potential conflict of interest for the law firm of Maddox, Thornley, & Sanders in the closing process. Dr. Ann Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the property purchase of the old Daily Mountain Eagle Building and to waive any potential conflict of interest for the law firm of Maddox, Thornley, & Sanders. A motion to approve the property purchase and waive any potential conflict of interest as stated was made by Teresa Sherer, a second by Walker Wilson, and the motion carried; Scott Thornley abstained from the section of the motion pertaining to conflict of interest.

Dr. Jackson presented the first reading of the 2024-2025 district calendar and entertained any questions or concerns.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned unanimously on a motion by Mary Beth Barber and a second by Walker Wilson.