

Board Minutes
October 15, 2024

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, October 15, 2024 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Donald Smith, Kevin Brantley, Chris Fields, Alvin P. Moorman, and Marty Thompson were present. Chairman Smith 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 proposed agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
2. The September minutes were unavailable and will be presented for approval at the November regular meeting.
3. The September 2024 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
4. The following field trips and fund-raising requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval:
 - JCHS Social Studies, State Capital, November 3- 5, 2024
 - JCMS BETA, Savannah, Convention, December 5 – 7, 2024
 - JCHS PBIS, Halloween Costume Contest, October 31, 2024
5. Mr. Charles Howard, JCES Principal, undated the board on his school. He shared the discipline data for his school. He also presented a student work assignment on multiplication. Lastly, he was excited to announce that Kylei Bell, a current 3rd grade student, has had a book published and will be having a book signing event soon.
6. Mr. Reid Bethea, JCMHS Principal, updated the board on his school. He also shared discipline data for both the middle and high schools. He shared information on the following: APTT, Whole Child Supports (PBIS, SEL), and sports events. He announced there will be a Homecoming event on October 24, 2024 with a parade that will end at the courthouse where the Homecoming representatives will be presented and the queen will be crowned. The public is invited to attend. He also announced the Rotary Student and Teacher of the month as Ziyah Lewis and Vernon Skelly.
7. Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Associate Superintendent, updated the board on the high school gym project. The low bid on this project was Pope Construction. He also updated them on the extensive damage throughout the district caused by Hurricane Helene, with the majority of the damage being at the football field. The first meeting with the insurance company resulted in being upgraded to the large claims division. He is waiting on an engineer to access the stadium bleachers.
8. Superintendent Watkins recommended that Pope Construction be awarded the contract on the gym project. Unanimous approval was given on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Thompson.

9. Dr. Hanna Kiser, Director of Special Education, CTAE, and assessments, updated the board on her programs. She also reminded them about the upcoming mock interviews day on October 29, 2024.
10. Superintendent Watkins presented SWSS Contract Appendix A-OCGA 20-2-168 (c) resolution to amend Johnson County School SWSS contract to include a waiver for the days of school missed during Hurricane Helene by the Georgia Department of Education. This resolution was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval.
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, dismissal, 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. Thompson; unanimous approval.
12. Superintendent Watkins presented personnel recommendations. The following recommendations were approved, on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval:

New Hires:

Sheila Thigpen, Food Service
Jessie Wyatt, Substitute Teacher

Resignations:

Cassandra Whitley, Food Service

Transfers:

Jamie Clements to Elementary Registrar
Andrea Jackson to Secretary Intern

13. The meeting was then adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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By: _____
Chairman

Attest: _____
Superintendent