

Board Minutes
January 21, 2025

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Kevin Brantley, Donald Smith, Sherrie Smith, Marty Thompson, and Jacob Waller were present. Chairman Smith called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mr. Thompson gave the invocation and Mr. Waller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following business was transacted:

1. The proposed agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.
2. The December minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley second by Mr. Waller; unanimous approval.
3. The December 2024 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Waller, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Watkins presented the Resolution for Completion of Elementary School Renovation Project 22LW-683-001. This resolution was approved on a motion by Mr. Brantley, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
5. Superintendent Watkins presented the 5-year Strategic Plan. The district has been working with the Georgia School Boards Association to complete this plan. This plan, along with the new mission, vision, and core value statements, was approved on a motion by Mr. Waller, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
6. Superintendent Watkins, on behalf of Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Associate Superintendent, discussed and presented the upgrades to the original plans from the architect for the new football stadium. By consensus, the board approved the upgrades per the final submission to begin the project.
7. Superintendent Watkins updated the board on the U S Department of Agriculture RUS Grant. The grant money will be used by the district to purchase technology to increase the district's distance learning and in person learning opportunities. He also discussed the Whole Board Governance Training to be held on February 17, 2025. The Whole Board Governance Training is conducted annually by an attorney with Pereira, Kirby, Kinsinger & Nguyen, LLP and approved by the Georgia School Boards Association.
8. On a motion by Mr. Waller, second by Mr. Brantley; 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. Thompson, second by Mr. Waller; unanimous approval.
9. Superintendent Watkins presented personnel recommendations. The following recommendations were approved, on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.

- **Resignations:**

Stephenie Adams, Retirement, effective at end of current school year

Nichole Shepard, Retirement, effective at end of current school year

Sue Webb, Retirement, effective at end of current school year

10. The meeting was then adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

**JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD
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By: _____

Chairman

Attest: _____

Superintendent