

MINUTES OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, REGULAR SESSION**December 9, 2025**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
 - Moment of silence
 - Pledge
3. Recognition of Visitors or Delegations Participation
 - Roan Creek Elementary Student Spotlight
 - Board of Distinction Presentation
 - Johnson County Parents Coalition
 - Johnson County Youth League Volleyball Program-Sarah Jennings
4. Report of Student Board Member – Julia Crews
5. Approval of Agenda
6. **Consent Agenda**

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of November 6, 2025 with any necessary additions/corrections necessary (**Attachment 6a**)

Approve the following amendments: (**Attachment 6b**)

General Purpose Court Amendment

Approve overnight field trips and trips over 150 miles for the following: (**Attachment 6c**)

Johnson County High School-Choir, Lee University from November 21-23, 2025

(Executive Agreement November 6, 2025)

Johnson County High School-Robotics, Chattanooga, Tennessee from January 16-17, 2026

Approve Johnson County High School Graduation for Friday, May 15th at 7:00pm.

Approval of changing Tuesday, May 5th to a virtual learning day for students due to the Election Primary. Per state law, since elections are held in our school buildings students cannot be present.
7. Discussion and approval of zSpace Quote in the amount of \$20,147.12 (**Attachment 7**)
8. 5 Year Plan = The Director of Schools provides monthly updates of school district events and news through the “Director’s Newsletter”
9. Approve the following for the Collaborative Conferencing Management Team:

Angie Wills (Point of Contact)	Leon Henley
Dr. Emogene South	Dr. Stephen Long
Mark Hagaman	Tina Lipford
Herbie Adams	

(Karen Ward – only duty is Recorder for the Management Team)
10. Approve the sale of surplus buses (end of life) (**Attachment 10**)
11. Discussion and approval of playground equipment purchase with Playtopia (TIPS Vendor ID 4431). Funds provided by Head Start and are specifically earmarked for the purchase of playground equipment. Other quotes are provided. (**Attachment 11**)
12. Budget Update – Tina Lipford
13. Public Comments

Information Items:

1. Director’s Report:
 - Head Start/Pre K information (**DR1**)
 - UTRUST-Appreciation Day Food Service, January 8, 2026
 - 1st semester ends Friday, December 19, 2025 (1/2 day) of school

- December 22, 2025 through January 2, 2026 Christmas Holiday/Vacation, students return to school January 6, 2026 (full day)
- Teacher work day on January 5, 2026-no school
- Board Appreciation week January 25, 2026 thru January 31, 2026
- Happy Holidays!

2. Personnel decisions made by Director of Schools (DR2)

The Johnson County School System does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the programs and activities which it operates pursuant to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Public Law 101-336. If you need provisions to attend this Board of Education meeting, please notify Dr. Mischelle Simcox, Director of Schools, at (423) 727-2640.

Action taken on Agenda Items:

1. The Johnson County Board of Education met in a regular session on Thursday, December 9, 2025 at the Johnson County Board of Education board room. Mr. Long called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. The roll was called with the following members present: Ms. Brown-present, Mr. Greever-present, Mr. Robinson-present, Mr. Walker-present, Mr. Long-present, Student Board Member, Julia Crews-present and Recorder-Karen Ward-present.
3.
 - Roan Creek Elementary recognized 6th Grader, Talhia Ortiz, as their Student of the Month. Dr. Simcox presented Talhia with a certificate and Principal, Angie Long, stated that Talhia has been at Roan Creek Elementary since Pre-K. Ms. Long described Talhia as being a well-rounded student who is always willing to help her peers.
 - Board of Distinction-Dr. Simcox provided the board with the Board of Distinction Award. This is an award granted to districts who meet specific requirements in four key areas, which are planning, policy, promotion and board development. Dr. Simcox also presented Board Chairman, Kevin Long, with an award as he recently achieved his Master School Board Member Level V. This is an award in which Mr. Long and previous board member, Howard Carlton, have been the only two board members who have achieved that highest level of recognition with the Johnson County Schools District.
 - Johnson County Parents Coalition – Ms. Stonecipher was present for the meeting but she stated that due to inclement weather the day prior the Johnson County Parents Coalition didn't get to meet and she furthermore didn't have anything to bring before the board.
 - Johnson County Youth League Volleyball Program – Ms. Sarah Jennings was in attendance to the board meeting and asked to use the facilities for volleyball. As there were no objections, permission was, therefore, granted.
4. Report of Student Board Member, Julia Crews-Ms. Crews provided a power point that showed basketball schedules for the remainder of this month going into January. She gave congratulatory acknowledgements to the FFA, cheer team, choir, 4-H and The Battle of the Build Team on their recent accolades.
5. A motion was made by Mr. Robinson to approve the agenda with the exception that Item #11 be tabled due to the fact that the Comptroller's Office wanted to do research on the Co-op. That motion was seconded by Ms. Brown and carried by the following roll call: Ms. Brown-yes, Mr. Greever-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mr. Walker-yes and Mr. Long-yes.
6. Mr. Greever made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda seconded by Mr. Walker carried by the following roll call: Ms. Brown-yes, Mr. Greever-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes,

- Mr. Walker-yes and Mr. Long-yes.
7. After discussion Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the zSpace Quote and that was motion was seconded by Ms. Brown and carried by the following roll call:
Ms. Brown-yes, Mr. Greever-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mr. Walker-yes and Mr. Long-yes.
 8. 5 Year Plan = The Director of Schools provides monthly updates of school district events and news through the "Director's Newsletter".
 9. Mr. Greever made a motion to approve the Collaborative Conferencing Management Team and Mr. Walker seconded that motion carried by the following roll call:
Ms. Brown-yes, Mr. Greever-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mr. Walker-yes and Mr. Long-yes.
 10. Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the sale of surpluses buses and Mr. Walker seconded that motion carried by the following roll call: Ms. Brown-yes, Mr. Greever-yes, Mr. Robinson-yes, Mr. Walker-yes and Mr. Long-yes.
 11. As already noted in Item #5 the Playtopia purchase was tabled.
 12. Ms. Lipford provided reports that showed the revenues and expenses for the month as well as cumulative totals for this school year.
 13. There were no public comments.

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Mr. Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Director of Schools
(Dr. Mischelle Simcox)

Chairman
(Mr. Kevin Long)

Vice-Chairman
(Mr. Chad Greever)

Member
(Mr. Russell Robinson)

Member
(Ms. Holly Brown)

Member
(Mr. Ed Walker)

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JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND
COURT AMENDMENT
DECEMBER 9, 2025

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	AMENDED BUDGET
141-43570	RECEIPTS FROM INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS	\$4,062.16	\$1,515.80		\$5,577.96
141-44170	MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS	\$57,565.57	\$2,481.69		\$60,047.26
141-49700	INSURANCE RECOVERY	\$0.00	\$8,356.96		\$8,356.96
		\$61,627.73	\$12,354.45	\$0.00	\$73,982.18
THE ABOVE FUNDS WERE COLLECTED, RECEIPTED AND DEPOSITED WITH THE TRUSTEE AND ARE BEING AMENDED INTO THE APPROPRIATE LINE ITEMS BELOW:					
43570 RECEIPTS FROM INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS: \$1,515.80: FIELDTRIP DRIVER \$1,043.80, FIELDTRIP FUEL \$472.00					
44170 MISC. REFUNDS: \$2,481.69: MRT \$85.00, RCE SCOREBOARD REIMBURSE \$1,075.00, FIELDTRIP DRIVER \$945.69, FIELDTRIP FUEL \$376.00					
49700 INSURANCE RECOVERY: \$8,356.96: WORKER'S COMPENSATION RECOVERY \$3,479.08, WORK TRUCK REPAIR \$4,877.88					
141-71100-116	TEACHERS	\$6,846,751.00	\$3,479.08		\$6,850,230.08
141-72120-599	OTHER CHARGES	\$2,085.00	\$85.00		\$2,170.00
141-72250-599	OTHER CHARGES	\$10,000.00	\$1,075.00		\$11,075.00
141-72710-146	BUS DRIVERS	\$368,303.80	\$1,989.49		\$370,293.29
141-72710-412	DIESEL FUEL	\$201,098.00	\$848.00		\$201,946.00
141-72710-729	TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	\$34,315.50	\$4,877.88		\$39,193.38
	TOTALS	\$7,462,553.30	\$12,354.45	\$0.00	\$7,474,907.75
	NOVEMBER 2025 FUNDS RECEIVED				
141-44170	MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS	\$60,047.26	\$23,184.80		\$83,232.06
141-71100-399	OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$22,471,579.00	\$23,184.80		\$22,494,763.80
	TOTALS GP	\$22,471,579.00	\$23,184.80	\$0.00	\$22,494,763.80
	REIMBURSEMENT FOR FALL TUITION AND ACCESS FEES				