

## **Board Minutes August 15, 2017**

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Kevin Brantley, Donald Smith, Chris Fields, Alvin P. Moorman, and Marty Thompson were present. Mr. Brantley called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mr. Fields gave the invocation and Mr. Thompson 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. Fields; unanimous approval.
2. The July 11, 2017 called meeting and July 20, 2017 called and regular meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
3. The July 2017 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; unanimous approval.
4. Superintendent Morris and board members discussed the FY18 budget and gave a chance for public input.
5. Superintendent Morris presented the FY18 final budget. The FY18 final budget was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman; second by Mr. Thompson.
6. On a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith, unanimous approval was given to set the 2017 Millage Rate to 14.836.
7. The 2018 Board of Education Training Plan was approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Fields; unanimous approval. The plan is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
8. The following field trip and fund raising requests were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Fields:
  - JCHS, FFA, Camp John Hope, Fort Valley, Sept. 10-12, 2017
  - JCES, Yearbook Staff, Surplus yearbooks, Aug. 16, 2017 – Jan. 31, 2018
  - JCES, Motherboard, Family Movie Night T-Shirts, Sept. 1 – 30, 2017
  - JCES, Motherboard, Parent Picnic T-Shirts, Oct. 2 – 16, 2017

- JCMHS, Office Staff, Stadium Cushions/Blankets, Aug. 16 – Dec. 1, 2017
  - JCHS, FFA, Fruit, Sept. 22 – Oct. 6, 2017
  - JCHS, Yearbook, Candy, Jan. 1 – 15, 2018
9. Mr. Howard, JCES principal, announced that his school was off to a great start. Administration is looking closely at ELA/Writing in lesson plans with intent to improve in these areas. He regrets that they will not get to participate in the Solar Eclipse but his staff will be diligent in teaching about this rare event.
10. Mrs. Merritt, JCMHS principal, also announced that her school was off to a great start. Trojan Time is being implemented with focus on reading at the middle school level and math at the high school level. She commended Mr. Stanley at the Alternative School for his work with the students. She also commended the Instructional Coaches for their work with the new TAPP teachers and the new Spanish teacher. Her staff is working hard to implement the new science standards and Reading 180. She is also excited about having two Nursing classes taught by Southeastern Tech and a Math and English class taught by GMC on campus. The Move on When Ready students are on track as well.
11. Charlie Lindsey, Director of Facilities, Transportation, and SIS, updated the board on the following:
- JCHS Student parking lot and gym floor repairs will be done October 9 – 13, 2017
  - Continuing to get bids for the JCHS AC in the Gym
  - Continuing the lighting project at JCHS Gym but awaiting materials
  - Locker room repairs should be complete by the end of this week
  - The property adjacent to the High School will be mowed and sprayed in the near future
  - Softball field repairs at the recreation department have been completed and should be ready for the game on Thursday
12. Mrs. Debbie Morris, Special Education and CTAE Director, updated the board on the following:
- Co-teachers are working on lesson plans for special education students and Infinite Campus
  - GaDOE Special Education Review in FY19 for FY18 records
  - Aspire and GAA program training is on-going
  - Remainder of computers purchased with CTAE Funds have been installed
  - Invited the Board Members to attend the Floral Design Workshop being held at our High School on August 31, 2017

13. Superintendent Morris informed the board of an upcoming workshop on August 24, 2017 concerning the Rating of Schools. He talked at length about the upcoming Solar Eclipse. He noted that safety was the utmost concern for the students and staff. The board agreed by consensus that the staff could be dismissed after the students were released. Each school administrator will inform their staff of specific times.
14. On a motion by Mr. Fields, second by Mr. Smith; 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. Fields, second by Mr. Thompson; unanimous approval.
15. Superintendent Morris presented personnel recommendations. The following recommendations were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Moorman:

**To Hire:**

Jose Rodriguez, Spanish Teacher (retro to 8-8-17)  
Jennifer Martin, Teacher (retro to 7-26-17)  
Stephanie Hernandez, Paraprofessional (retro to 7-26-17)  
Donna Carter, Teacher  
Jocelyn Mack, substitute teacher  
Barbara Veal, substitute teacher  
Kecia Wiley, Foodservice Substitute

16. The meeting was then adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

**JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD  
OF EDUCATION**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairman**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Superintendent**