Board Minutes October 19, 2021

The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 in the board office at 6:00 p.m. Chris Fields, Kevin Brantley, Alvin P. Moorman, Donald Smith, and Marty Thompson were present. Chairman Fields called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mr. Thompson gave the invocation and Mr. Smith 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. Smith; unanimous approval.
- 2. The September 21, 2021 board meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.
- 3. The August 2021 financial report was approved on a motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Brantley; unanimous approval.
- 4. The following field trip and fund-raising requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Thompson, second by Mr. Moorman; unanimous approval:
 - JCHS FBLA, Trojan T-Shirts & Sweatshirts, Oct. 20 Nov. 12, 2021
 - FCA, Spirit Cheer, Tennis, Cross County, Belk Charity Cards, Oct. 10 20, 2021
 - JCHS BETA, LaGrange, Leadership/Officer Training, Oct. 25-26, 2021
- 5. Mr. Charles Howard, JCES Principal, shared a 5th grade Social Studies virtual project involving google slides. He was excited to announce that the book vending machines are installed. The students are very excited about these new initiatives to strengthen our literacy program and are trying hard to earn the gold tokens needed to get a book. These tokens are earned by good behavior and meeting school wide expectations.
- 6. Mr. Reid Bethea, JCMHS Principal, presented his state of the school for Johnson County High School. He reviewed data in detail and next steps for his school.
- 7. Mrs. Tecia McKay, Associate Superintendent, also talked about continued progress with literacy in the community and the new book vending machines. There will be a ribbon cutting for these machines on Friday, October 22, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. at JCES and 2:00 p.m. at Piggly Wiggly. She noted that all schools are in the process of monitoring data to determine impact on goals, including At Risk lists of underserved students. Also, more funding is continuing to come based on CARES Act. Homeless ARP funding will target After School tutoring. We are still increasing Instructional Technology and focus on student ownership of data.
- 8. Dr. Christopher Watkins, Assistant Superintendent, commended both principals for their continued hard work. He also thanked the board for all the support they give to our administrators and staff.

- 9. Mr. Charlie Lindsey, Associate Superintendent, updated the board on the following:
 - Copier lease agreement update
 - Planning phase of additional Chromebook order to align the Georgia Milestone testing
 - Planning phase of new System Website, tentative February 2022
 - JCMHS Roof project complete, JCHS Gym renovation almost complete
 - JCES Total renovation plans in progress
 - One new bus delivered on Oct. 18, another one expected within a week
 - Data collections ongoing (FTE, Student Class, CPI) Deadline October 26, 2021
- 10. Superintendent Morris proudly announced that Johnson County's SAT scores were #1 for our RESA. Also, JCMS has been ranked in the top 30% of middle schools in the state and also #1 in our RESA. He commented, "This speaks volumes for the academic success of our schools as good things are going on in the classrooms. I am very proud of our staff and students."
- 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 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. Brantley, second by Mr. Thompson, unanimous approval.
- 12. Superintendent Morris presented personnel recommendations. The recommendations below were approved on a motion by Mr. Moorman, second by Mr. Smith. Mr. Fields, Mr. Brantley, Mr. Moorman, and Mr. Smith voted YES, while Mr. Thompson abstained.

To Hire:

Savannah Dollar, Contact Social Worker Landry Thompson, Substitute Teacher Cassandra Whitaker, Food Service

Resignations:

Holly Deal

Rosalyn Scott

13. The meeting was then adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

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Superintendent