

MINUTES OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 8, 2007, 6:00 P.M.

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Recognition of Visitors or Delegations
4. Audience Participation
5. **Consent Agenda**

Approval of Agenda

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of October 11 2007, with any additions/corrections necessary (Attachment 5a)

Approve the following amendments: (Attachment 5b)

- General Purpose Court
- Head Start Court

6. Discussion of Director of Schools evaluation
7. Report of Student Board Member – Nancy Blevins
8. Review of Section 4 – Instructional Services – of Board Policy Handbook
9. Second and final reading of recommendation from committee/teachers that “E” be dropped from the conduct category of Board Policy 4.600, line 40. (Attachment #9)
10. Update on Roan Creek Elementary School – Dana Stafford
11. Budget Update – Russell Robinson
12. Any other matters which may duly come before the Board for official action

Information Items:

1. Director’s Report
 - TSBA Convention
2. Personnel decisions made by Director of Schools

Retirements

- Susan Gentry from position as Central Office custodian effective January 1, 2008.

Hires

- Wendy Nelson – part-time caregiver for Laurel School Age Childcare
- Marilyn Uhl – CCLCP (21st Century Community Learning Center) at Doe for the 2007-2008 school year
- Betty J. Gentry – part-time caregiver for Mountain City Elementary School Age Childcare
- Gail Hamilton – custodian at Johnson County Middle School
- Greg Reece – part-time instructor for Adult Education basic computer skills classes

- Teresa Healy – certified substitute teacher at JCMS until 12/13/07 (filling in for Beverly McKinney while she is on leave)
- Nicholas Perkins – volunteer JCHS baseball coach
- Lyndsey Potter – childcare giver – Early Childhood Development Center
- Heather Savery – certified substitute teacher at Shady Valley Elementary until 11/30/07 (filling in for Patricia Honaker while she is on leave)

Leaves

- Andrea Michele Cooke – unpaid leave until November 5, 2007
- Stephanie Wills – sick leave beginning November 1st and ending November 14th
- Linda Fletcher – unpaid leave from November 5th through November 9th
- Beverly McKinney – sick leave beginning October 8th through December 13th
- Patricia Honaker – sick leave beginning November 2nd through November 30th

Resignations

- Bridgette Russell from position as childcare giver at the ECDC – effective 10-08-07
- Lesa Arnold from position as school age childcare giver at Laurel – effective 10-29-07
- Barbara Paisley from position as school age childcare giver at RCE – effective 11-2-07

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Addendum

1. Designate Russell Robinson to sign documents for the Director of Schools.
2. Approve moving electrical pole behind JCMS.
3. Approve the annual report of school system/school compliance with the TN Department of Education.

Action Taken on Agenda Items

- 1-2. The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Carlton. The roll was called with all members present: Mr. Buckles, Mr. Gambill, Mr. Gregg, Ms. Stout, Mr. Carlton, and Ms. Blevins, student member. Russell Robinson, Recorder.
- 3-4. There was no audience participation at this time.
5. Consent Agenda – Mr. Carlton asked if anyone had any item they wished to pull off for individual discussion/action. Getting no response, he asked for a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Buckles, seconded by Mr. Gambill, and carried by unanimous roll call vote to approve the consent agenda as recommended, including the following amendments.

General Purpose Court Amendment

ACCOUNT		ORIGINAL			AMENDED
NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	BUDGET
43570	Rec. from Ind. Schools	\$3,894.64	\$118.42		\$4,013.06
44170	Misc. Refunds	\$2,402.79	\$284.44		\$2,687.23

49800	Operating Transfers	\$35,755.00	\$110.00		\$35,865.00
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		\$42,052.43	\$512.86	\$0.00	\$42,565.29
The above funds were collected, receipted and deposited with the trustee and are being amended into the					
appropriate line items:					
43570 Receipts from Individual Schools: \$118.42 substitute teacher pay reimbursement.					
44170 Misc. Refunds: \$284.44: \$51.44 hotel expense refund, \$20.00 reimbursement for professional dues					
from staff, \$213.00 vending machine proceeds from bus garage.					
49800 Operating Transfers: \$110.00 reimbursement of fieldtrip expenses from Head Start fund.					
71100-198	Non-Cert. Sub Teachers	\$71,555.00	\$110.00		\$71,665.00
71100-201	Social Security	\$319,052.20	\$6.82		\$319,059.02
71100-212	Employer Medicare	\$74,617.00	\$1.60		\$74,618.60
72110-524	Inservice/Staff Development	\$1,000.00	\$51.44		\$1,051.44
72210-524	Inservice/Staff Development	\$23,314.00	\$20.00		\$23,334.00
72710-146	Bus Drivers	\$225,901.00	\$70.00		\$225,971.00
72710-412	Diesel Fuel	\$120,075.00	\$40.00		\$120,115.00
72710-599	Other Charges	\$5,056.00	\$213.00		\$5,269.00
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	Totals	\$840,570.20	\$512.86	\$0.00	\$841,083.06
141-34290	Other Ed. Reserves	\$638,700.00		\$19,650.00	\$619,050.00
72210-790	Other Equipment	\$10,000.00	\$19,650.00		\$29,650.00
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		\$648,700.00	\$19,650.00	\$19,650.00	\$648,700.00
	E-Rate funds for the Laurel mobile laptop lab replacement.				

Head Start Court Amendment

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	AMENDED BUDGET
49800	OPERATING TRANSFERS	\$0.00	\$1,262.70		\$1,262.70

71100-198	SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS	\$8,827.00	\$1,174.51		\$10,001.51
71100-201	SOCIAL SECURITY	\$15,658.00	\$71.48		\$15,729.48
71100-212	EMPLOYER MEDICARE	\$3,662.00	\$16.71		\$3,678.71
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	TOTALS	\$28,147.00	\$1,262.70	\$0.00	\$29,409.70
	CORRECTION OF PAYROLL ERROR FROM SEPTEMBER 2007				

6. Mr. Carlton gave a synopsis of the evaluation of the Director of Schools performance from the annual Board Retreat that was held on November 3, 2007. He explained that the Board gave high scores for Mr. Woodring in the following areas: Board Relationships, Community Relationships, Staff and Personnel Relationships, Educational Leadership, Business and Finance, and Strategic Planning Skills. Mr. Carlton also stated that the evaluation results are available for public viewing by contacting the Director of Schools' office.

7. Report of Student Board Member – Nancy Blevins – Ms. Blevins mentioned/discussed the following items:
 - Mid-term progress reports went out today
 - Longhorn football team first round play-offs at Morristown West this Friday
 - Educational fieldtrip to Atlanta for French I classes
 - Pride of Johnson County Marching Band
 - “Open Mike” Activity
 - Gear-Up Senior Summit at the National Guard Armory
 - PLAN test for Sophomores
 - FFA Alumni Association Fish Fry
 - FFA Convention – Agriculture sales team – national finalist
 - JCHS Daycare rummage sale
 - JCHS Drama Department production of *River Rising* at Heritage Hall
 - JCHS hosting the TSSAA Boys Basketball Hall of Championships
 - Vocabulary word of the week – **abstemious**
 - Senior presentations for graduation invitations, caps and gowns, etc.

8. Concerning review of Section 4 – Instructional Services – of the Board Policy Handbook, it was the general consensus of the Board that no changes/additions needed to be made at this time. No action was taken on this item.

9. A motion was made by Mr. Gregg, seconded by Ms. Stout, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the second and final reading of recommended change to Board Policy 4.600 – Grading System – Line 40.

10. A PowerPoint update presentation on Roan Creek Elementary was presented by Dana Stafford, Principal.
11. Russell Robinson gave a brief budget update and handed the monthly financial report.

At this point Mr. Carlton went to the first item on the addendum.

Action Taken on Addendum Items

1. After a brief explanation by Mr. Woodring a motion was made by Mr. Gambill, seconded by Mr. Gregg to designate Russell Robinson to sign documents for the Director of Schools.
2. Mr. Woodring gave an explanation regarding the removal of an electrical pole behind JCMS. He explained that two poles could be eliminated and that Mountain Electric had presented two options for the installation of the new service. Option 1 – which included a junction box for the new service, would cost approximately \$1,700.00 and Option – 2 which included new wire from the transformer would cost approximately \$3,400.00. After brief discussion a motion was made by Mr. Buckles, seconded by Mr. Gambill, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the removal of the electrical pole and give the Director of Schools and Mr. Bishop the discretion to make the best decision for the school based on the two options.
3. After a brief explanation by Mr. Woodring a motion was made by Mr. Gambill, seconded by Mr. Gregg, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the annual report of school system/school compliance with the Tennessee Department of Education.

Mr. Carlton returned to the agenda and asked for the Director’s Report. Mr. Woodring mentioned the upcoming TSBA Convention and explained the contents of each Board members packet of information. He also gave a brief update on the recent medical condition of Ms. Reece.

Mr. Buckles thanked each of the schools’ for the excellent presentations given over the past several months. Ms. Stout also thanked the schools’ for the presentations. Mr. Gregg gave a thank you to all staff involved in the recent Board retreat. Mr. Carlton also thanked the schools’ for the presentations and Board Retreat and the excellent scores from the recent report card.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Director of Schools	Chairman	Vice-Chairman
Member	Member	Member