

MINUTES OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, REGULAR SESSION
October 9, 2008

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 the minutes of the regular meeting of September 4, 2008 and the special call meeting of October 1, 2008, with any additions/corrections necessary (Attachment 5a)
 - Approve the Clinical Affiliation Agreement between East Tennessee State University and Johnson County School System (Attachment 5b)
 - Approve overnight field trips for Johnson County High School Band (Attachment 5c)
 - TN Tech University November 20-21, 2008
 - Gatlinburg, TN February 5-7, 2009
 - Kingsport, TN February 13-14, 2009
 - Nashville, TN April 15-18, 2009
 - Annapolis, MD April 30-May 3, 2009
 - Approval of annual Certification of Compliance that all students have been provided textbooks (Attachment 5d)
 - Approval of Ameritas Dental Renewal with an increase of 6% (Attachment 5e)
 - Approve the following as Textbook Committee Representatives for the K-12 Science adoption for the 2008-2009 school year: Aleta Gentry, Harvey Burniston, Jr., Brenda Eggers, Russell Love, Daniel McEwen, LaDonna Trivette, Taffy Dugger, Richard Price, Beth Hyder, Diana Pennington, Tammy Jarvis, Missy Timbs, Jan Eschelman, Evelyn Ainsworth, Tamra Taylor, Terri Henson, Rita Storie, Dottie Sue Phipps, Susan Quave (Attachment 5f)
6. Report of Student Board Member – Erica Lynn
7. Second and final reading of TSBA recommended changes to the following board policies (Attachment 7):
 - Effective Boardmanship Standards – 1.1061
 - School Support Organizations – 2.404
 - Use of the Internet – 4.406
 - Parent/Family Involvement – 4.502
 - Parent Organizations/Booster Clubs – 4.503 (DELETED)
8. Approve the annual report of school system/school compliance with the TN Department of Education (Attachment 8)
9. Review Policy Section 3 – Support Services
10. Budget Update
11. Any other matters which may duly come before the Board for official action

Information Items:

1. Director's Report
 - Board Retreat – November 22, December 6 or Spring
 - Mini Grant Summary – Hanes Brand (Info. 1)

- Sales Tax
 - Head Start / Pre K (Info. 2)
 - Doe Elementary AdvancEd Visit – October 22
 - Time Change at the November meeting
2. Personnel decisions made by Director of Schools

Hires

- Lucinda Taylor – 25% Title I Reading Specialist/42% Instructional Assistant – Shady Valley Elementary
- Margaret Wallace – Homebound Teacher
- 2008-2009 Substitute Bus Drivers – Tony Yoggurst, Douglas Blevins, Michael Pleasant, David Blankenbeckler, Steve Story and Ricky Thomason
- Johnson County High School CCLCP 2008-2009 – Aleta Gentry, Austin Atwood, Don Garrett, Julie Dunn, Brenda Eggers, Karen Cunningham, Kasi Dishman, Dr. Hagmann, Jeannie Taylor, Teri Angel, Anna Shirley, Denise Arnold, Scott Plyler, Sherree Schmees, Kathy Motsinger, Daniel McEwen, Dana Smith, Kelly Sells, and Jennifer Gillenwater
- Kimber Artidiello – Kid’s Corral

Leaves

- Pam Billingsley – Unpaid leave, October 31, 2008
- Judy Reece – Unpaid leave, September 15, 2008

Resignations

- Jessica Righter – 25% Title I Reading Specialist/42% Instructional Assistant – Shady Valley Elementary
- Darrell Broking – Johnson County High School ISS
- Angie Edmisten – Custodian – Roan Creek Elementary

Retiree

- Richard Blevins – Homebound Teacher

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 Morris Woodring, Director of Schools, at (423) 727-2640.

Action taken on Agenda Items

1. The Johnson County Board of Education met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2008. The chairman, Mr. Carlton, called the meeting to order. Mr. Buckles led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
2. The roll was called with four members present: Mr. Buckles, Mr. Gregg, Ms. Parsons, Mr. Carlton and student board member, Erica Lynn. Tina Lipford, recorder.
3. Mr. Tom Stanley addressed the board. He gave a report on the Johnson County Basketball Youth League and requested use of facilities for the 2008/2009 basketball season. A motion was made by Mr. Gregg, seconded by Ms. Parsons, and carried by unanimous roll call vote to approve the request for use of the facilities for 2008/2009.
4. No audience participation.

5. A motion was made by Mr. Buckles, seconded by Mr. Gregg, and carried by unanimous roll call vote to approve the consent agenda as presented and recommended.
6. Report of Student Board Member – Erica Lynn
 - On Monday all students enjoyed an hour of fun and games because of great behavior.
 - On Friday there was a pizza party for all students that had perfect attendance for the month of September.
 - The JCHS Band, Cheerleaders, and Football players were invited to a pep rally at Roan Creek Elementary for the students as a behavior incentive.
 - The ACT test will be given on October 26th at JCHS.
 - Homecoming will be Friday, October 17th.
 - The 21st Century Grant is planning a trip to Ripley’s Aquarium in Gatlinburg on October 25th.
 - GEAR-UP is planning a trip to Carson Newman College on November 1st.
 - JCHS Winter Guard tryouts are coming up.
 - The FFA just started their annual citrus sale.
 - The FFA Alumni auction and fish fry is set to be held on November 14th.
7. A motion was made by Mr. Buckles, seconded by Ms. Parsons, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the second and final reading of TSBA recommended changes to the following board policies:
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8. A motion was made by Mr. Gregg, seconded by Mr. Buckles, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the annual report of school system/school compliance with the TN Department of Education.
9. No discussion or comments on the review of Policy Section 3 – Support Services.
10. A budget update was given by Mr. Russell Robinson.
11. No other matters were brought before the board.

At this point Mr. Carlton turned the meeting over to Mr. Woodring for the Director’s Report.

Directors Report

- Thank you to Ms. Wilcox for all her hard work regarding the recommendation for District Accreditation
- Board Retreat in the Spring – February
- Mini Grant Summary – Hanes Brand
- Sales Tax – yard signs, clarification of funds
- Head Start / Pre K information
- Doe Elementary Visit on October 22nd
- Time change at the November meeting – 6:00
- Troop Deployment – Mid October
- \$300,00 Distance Learning Grant

Mr. Buckles was pleased that all schools were getting along and recommended that everyone attend the upcoming Cranberry Festival.

Ms. Parsons stated that she had just finished Board Member Orientation and the staff of TSBA was wonderful. She was glad that the board members support each other.

Mr. Gregg commended everyone on their hard work for District Accreditation and wanted to know when the board would begin receiving ESC Reports.

Mr. Carlton stated that it was very important for our schools to receive national accreditation. The request for Board of Distinction has been accepted by TSBA. He and Mr. Woodring had met with the Rotary Club to discuss the ½ cent sales tax increase.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

_____ Director of Schools	_____ Chairman	_____ Vice-Chairman
_____ Member	_____ Member	_____ Member