# JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 14, 2013

**REGULAR** meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at the VanHoose Education Center, 3332 Newburg Road, Louisville, Kentucky, on Monday, January 14, 2013, at 7 p.m.

# **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chairman Diane Porter Mr. Chris Brady Mr. Chuck Haddaway Mrs. Debbie Wesslund Vice-Chairman Carol Ann Haddad Mrs. Linda Duncan Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.

# STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Superintendent Donna M. Hargens, Ed.D. Rosemary Miller, General Counsel Kathy Smith, Assistant Secretary to the Board

#### **OPEN SESSION:**

Board members met at 4:30 p.m. to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent. All Board members were present.

Chairman Diane Porter called the meeting to order and read the following statement: "Do I have a motion that the Board of Education recess and reconvene in Executive Session to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) of the Open Meeting Act and KRS 156.577?"

**Order #2013-001 - Motion Passed:** A motion that the Board of Education recess and reconvene in Executive Session to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) of the Open Meeting Act and KRS 156.577 passed with a motion by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr. and a second by Mr. Chuck Haddaway.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

# **CLOSED SESSION:**

Board members met in executive session to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent. All Board members were present. The meeting adjourned by consensus at approximately 6:08 p.m.

# JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION MEETING:

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jefferson County School District Finance Corporation was held at 6:50 p.m. and adjourned at 6:53 p.m. All Directors were present.

# **REGULAR MEETING:**

Board Chairman Diane Porter called the January 14, 2013, meeting to order at 7 p.m. All Board members were present.

Chairman Porter made the following announcement: "The Board of Education met in Executive Session at 4:30 p.m. to consider the evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) of the Open Meetings Act and KRS 156.557 and no action was taken."

The meeting opened with a moment of silence in honor of Dr. J. Blaine Hudson and the victims of the Newtown, Connecticut, school shooting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

# II.A. Oath of Office Administered by U.S. Magistrate Judge James D. Moyer to:

- Member, District 2–David A. Jones, Jr.;
- Member, District 4—Charles Montgomery Haddaway, IV; and
- Member, District 7—Christopher Baxter Brady.

At this time, Mr. Jones, Mr. Haddaway, and Mr. Brady introduced family members and friends in attendance and expressed their gratitude for their support. Each one said they appreciate the opportunity to serve.

#### II.B. Organization of the Board: Election of Chairman

Chairman Diane Porter called for nominations for the Office of Chairman.

**Order #2013-002 - Primary Motion Passed:** The nomination of Diane Porter to serve as Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Education for 2013 passed with a motion by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mr. Chris Brady.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

#### II.C. Organization of the Board: Election of Vice-Chairman

Chairman Diane Porter called for nominations for the Office of Vice-Chairman.

**Order #2013-003 - Primary Motion Passed:** The nomination of Carol Ann Haddad to serve as Vice-Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Education for 2013 passed with a motion by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

#### **II.D. Vision Statement**

Chairman Diane Porter read the Vision Statement.

### **III. Approval of Minutes**

**Order #2013-004 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the December 10, 2012, regular meeting and the December 13, 2012, and January 7, 2013, special meetings. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Duncan and a second by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

#### **IV. Recognitions and Resolutions**

- A. Recognition of Billie Stone
- B. Recognition of Darleen Horton
- C. Recognition of Aukram Burton
- D. Recognition of Dr. Bernard Hamilton

**Order #2013-005 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the following recognitions and resolutions for January 14, 2013: Recognition of Billie Stone, Recognition of Darleen Horton, Recognition of Aukram Burton, and Recognition of Dr. Bernard Hamilton. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Mr. Chuck Haddaway.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

#### Superintendent's Report

- "Chair Diane Porter, members of the Board, it is my pleasure to call your attention to a few items of special interest.
- First, on behalf of the our students, teachers, and other district employees, I would like to welcome our new Board members, Mr. Brady, Mr. Haddaway, and Mr. Jones.
- It is also my pleasure to recognize the entire Board as we join school districts across the Commonwealth in celebrating School Board Recognition Month. Thank you for your service to our students.

- Board members Mrs. Haddad and Mrs. Wesslund were also acknowledged by the Kentucky School Boards Association for completing several levels of training within the KSBA's Academy of Studies.
- Congratulations to Ms. Porter for receiving the Interdenominational Ministerial Coalition's 2013 W. J. Hodge Leadership Award.
- Also, as you recall, Ms. Duncan is serving a three-year term as a Director-at-Large of the KSBA Board of Directors until February 2015 and was appointed by Governor Beshear as a member of the School Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability Council.
- At this time, I would also like to remember Dr. Hudson. Dr. Hudson impacted countless people with his intelligence, compassion, and commitment and is featured on our cultural competency video. What an honor for us.
- We are proud of the 38 Jefferson County Public School system's teachers who earned their National Board Certification from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. This brings the district's total of National Board Certified Teachers to 252. JCPS leads the state of Kentucky with that number.
- The Professional Learning Community rounds are informing our community constituents about the inclusive and high-level work our schools are doing to meet the needs of all students. We have invited community members to see professional learning communities at work at McFerran and Brandeis elementary schools.
- The Who's Who Louisville: 2012 African American Profiles and the JCPS Education Foundation have established a scholarship fund that will provide scholarships to one deserving student in each of the 22 Jefferson County public high schools.
- As of today, I have visited 125 of our schools for a total of 194 school visits.
- At this time, I recommend the consent calendar for your consideration."

# V. Consent Calendar for January 14, 2013

- A. Approval of Personnel Actions
- B. Approval of Certified Leaves of Absence
- C. Approval of Job Description
- D. Approval of Organizational Charts
- E. Approval of Field Trip Requests
- F. Approval of Projects, BG-1 Forms, and Assignment of Architects/Engineers
  - 1. Theatre Lighting Controls Replacement at Atherton High School
    - 2. Food Service Phase 32 at Various Schools
- G. Approval of Bid and Revised BG–1 Form for New Media Center at Cochrane Elementary School
- H. Approval of Project Completions and BG-4 Forms
  - 1. Upgrade Stage Rigging at Central High School Magnet Career Academy
  - 2. Exterior Door Replacement Phase 1 at Moore Traditional School
  - 3. Campus Renovations at Western High School
- I. Approval of Construction Change Orders
- J. Approval of Bid Tabulations and Amendments
- K. Acceptance of Purchase Order Report
- L. Acceptance of Voucher Report

- M. Acceptance of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- N. Acceptance of Donations
- O. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation
- P. Acceptance of Grants and Funding
  - 1. Acceptance of Grant from Kentucky Agency for Substance Abuse Policy, Region 6, for Stuart Middle School
  - 2. Acceptance of Targeted Assistance Grant from Catholic Charities
  - 3. Acceptance of Funding from Catholic Charities for On-Site English as a Second Language Classes
  - 4. Acceptance of Funding from the University of Louisville for College Readiness/ Renewing Education for Adult Learners Program
  - 5. Acceptance of Revised FY2013 Award for Title I, Part D, Subpart 2, Project 3143
  - 6. Acceptance of Revised FY2013 Award for Title I, Part A, Project 3103
  - 7. Acceptance of Modification in Funding from the KentuckianaWorks Foundation for YOUth Career Center
- Q. Approval of Ready by 21 Southeast Challenge Phase II Letter of Agreement
- R. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mutual Understanding of Collaboration with Jefferson Community and Technical College
- S. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority for AmeriCorps College Coach at Valley High School
- T. Approval of Modified Memorandum of Agreement with Kentucky Department of Education
- U. Revision of Board Policy: Program Evaluation (First Reading)
- V. Approval of Construction and Use Agreement Modification and Assignment and Assumption Agreement with Okolona Baseball Inc.

In reference to Agenda Item V.O. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation, Mrs. Duncan noted that Zeon Chemicals had donated \$10,000 to be used by students in the District's science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) Program and asked if a particular school would receive those funds. Ms. Christi Lanier-Robinson said she would check to see if a school was designated and report back.

**Order #2013-006 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented in Agenda Items V.A. through V.V. passed with a motion by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr. and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

### VI. Action Items

# VII. Discussion Items

# VII.A. Status Report on Curriculum Management Audit Recommended Actions

Dr. Robert J. Rodosky; executive director; Data Management, Planning, and Program Evaluation; came forward to provide a progress report and answer Board members' questions concerning the recommended actions from the Curriculum Management Audit.

Mrs. Wesslund asked Dr. Dewey Hensley, chief academic officer, to provide an overview of the support systems in place at the JCPS Gheens Academy to support schools with relation to the curriculum.

**Order #2013-007 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive a progress report on the recommended actions from the Curriculum Management Audit. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

#### VII.B. 2012–13 Board of Education Discussion Agenda Planning Calendar

Mrs. Duncan requested an update on various improvements prior to the 2013 testing window.

Mrs. Wesslund requested a report on school safety and security. Ms. Porter advised that the January 28 work session would include a report on safety.

Mrs. Wesslund requested that a dialogue with principals and SBDM councils be scheduled.

**Order #2013-008 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive for information a planning calendar outlining discussion agenda items to occur during the 2012–13 fiscal year. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Duncan and a second by Mr. Chris Brady.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

# VIII. Board Reports and Requests

Mrs. Duncan asked Dr. Hargens if any consideration is being given to revising the legislative agenda in support of restoring the safe schools funding that has been cut.

Hargens: "We'll be happy to bring back the legislative agenda to see if the Board wants to make any additions."

Mrs. Duncan requested achievement data disaggregated by the nine groups that are tracked.

# IX. Persons Requesting to Address the Board on Non-Agenda Items

Mr. Timothy Paul addressed the Board of Education on the topic of minority contractors. Chair Porter requested that Dr. Hargens work to get additional information on this issue and share that information with the Board.

Ms. Shannon Mahaffey addressed the Board of Education concerning testing for learning disabilities. Chair Porter asked that Dr. Hargens follow up on this issue.

# X. Executive Session (If Needed)

# XI. Adjournment

**Order #2013-009 - Motion Passed:** A recommendation to adjourn the January 14, 2013, meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 8:08 p.m. passed with a motion by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan
Mrs. Carol Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes	

Diane Porter, Board Chairman

Dr. Donna Hargens, Superintendent/Secretary

Yes Yes Yes

# THESE ACTIONS, ALONG WITH THE AGENDA ITEMS, MAKE UP THE OFFICIAL MINUTES, WHICH ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY