



## **JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

### **Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 11, 2013**

**REGULAR** meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at the VanHoose Education Center, 3332 Newburg Road, Louisville, Kentucky, on Monday, November 11, 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

#### **WORK SESSION**

Board members conducted a work session at 4 p.m. to discuss capacity, enrollment, demographics, and population; the District Facilities Plan; long-term planning; and a proposed project in Norton Commons. Dr. Michael Raisor, chief operations officer, and Dr. Robert Rodosky; chief of Data Management, Planning, and Program Evaluation; made a presentation and answered questions.

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Porter called the November 11, 2013, regular meeting to order at 7 p.m. In honor of Veterans Day, she thanked the men and women who have served and currently serve to protect our country and keep it safe. The meeting opened with a moment of silence, the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Vision Statement.

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

**Order #2013-182 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the October 28, 2013, regular meeting. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund and a second by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad.

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

#### IV. Recognitions and Resolutions

There were no recognitions this evening.

#### V. Consent Calendar and Superintendent's Report

"Thank you, Chair Porter, members of the Board; it is my pleasure to call your attention to a few items of special interest.

As today is Veterans Day, I would like to recognize also the thousands of veterans who serve our country. At JCPS, we are fortunate to have dozens of veterans who are continuing to serve our community as employees within our system.

Congratulations to duPont Manual, Louisville Male high schools, and the Brown School as one of Kentucky's top ten schools with the highest college- and career-ready rates and to Western High School as one of Kentucky's top ten schools with the highest one year's growth in college- and career-readiness.

I would like to recognize the India Community Foundation of Louisville. I was invited to attend the Diwali Festival yesterday as the Chief Guest—it was such an honor—and was presented with this recognition [shows award]. The Indian community has approximately 15,000 members in the Metro Louisville area. We have hundreds of our students who are from this community, and the people featured on the slide are actually our teachers.

The 15th District PTA and Jefferson County Public Schools; in conjunction with WAVE-TV, WAMZ-FM, and WHAS-AM; began the **Wear It Forward Coats for Kids** drive on November 4. **Wear It Forward** began when WAVE-TV anchor Dawne Gee saw the need of our students and asked how she could help. We are primarily in need of new and gently used coats but are also accepting sweatshirts, gloves, mittens, sweaters, and pants in all sizes, both child and adult. And the 15th District's PTA President, Heather Wampler, is here. We want to recognize her and thank the 15th District PTA for all of your hard work.

The Elementary Showcase of Schools will be held this Saturday, November 16, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Kentucky International Convention Center. The application period for elementary schools is Monday, November 18, through Friday, January 10. The JCPS Showcase offers detailed information for parents and students who are trying to make a decision about schools. Key JCPS employees will be available to answer questions about

the application process, transportation, English as a Second Language, and the ECE Program for special-needs students.

JCPS will kick off its School of Innovation Design Competition on Tuesday, November 12, at 10 a.m., at the Nucleus Innovation Park lobby at 201 East Jefferson Street. The communitywide contest will identify and develop innovative ideas for the creation of the next JCPS school. The process will provide the best innovators with support needed to bring their new vision of teaching and learning to life as early as the 2015–16 school year.

And I would like to point out an addition to the legislative priorities. We have added— thanks to Board member feedback—the following sentence in Provide Adequate Funding Support for P-12 Education: *JCPS also supports legislation to increase state funding for kindergarten gradually over a number of years from half-day to full-day.* So, that’s an addition to Provide Adequate Funding since we only get funded for half-day kindergarten.

Chair Porter, at this time, I recommend the consent calendar for the Board’s consideration.”

### **Tie Bid Awards**

In accordance with model procurement guidelines, Vice-Chair Carol Ann Haddad drew lots to determine the winners of tie bids submitted for the following:

- Items #48 and #50 on Bid ID 6821 for Bus Body Parts and Accessories was awarded to American Bus and Accessories (one draw for two items).
- Item #16 on Bid ID 6826 for Electrical Supplies and Lighting (Line Item) was awarded to A-M Electric.
- Item #67 on Bid ID 6826 for Electrical Supplies and Lighting (Line Item) was awarded to A-M Electric.
- Item #71 on Bid ID 6826 for Electrical Supplies and Lighting (Line Item) was awarded to A-M Electric.
- Item #98 on Bid ID 6826 for Electrical Supplies and Lighting (Line Item) was awarded to Wesco Distribution.

### **Consent Calendar for November 11, 2013**

- A. Approval of Personnel Actions
- B. Approval of Certified Leaves of Absence
- C. Approval of Field Trip Requests
- D. Approval of Project, BG–1 Form, and Assignment of Architect/Engineers for Roof Replacement at Fern Creek Traditional High School
- E. Approval of Bid and Revised BG–1 Form for 2013–14 Asbestos Abatement Maintenance Contract at Various Schools
- F. Approval of Construction Change Orders
- G. Approval of Bid Tabulations and Amendments
- H. Acceptance of Purchase Order Report
- I. Acceptance of Voucher Report

- J. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- K. Acceptance of Financial Report for Period Ended September 30, 2013
- L. Acceptance of Quarterly Report of Investment Performance for Period Ended September 30, 2013
- M. Acceptance of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013
- N. Acceptance of Donations
- O. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation
- P. Acceptance of Grants and Funding
  - 1. Acceptance of Fund for the Arts Teacher Arts Program Grants for Various Schools
  - 2. Acceptance of Fund for the arts 5X5 Program Grants for Various Schools
  - 3. Acceptance of Grant from the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations for Foster Traditional Academy
  - 4. Acceptance of Target Arts and Culture in the Schools Grant for Lassiter Middle School
  - 5. Acceptance of Additional Funding for Title I, Part A, Section 1003(g) School Improvement Funds (Project #5600C)
  - 6. Acceptance of GENYOUth Foundation Grants for Greathouse/Shryock Traditional and Wheatley Elementary Schools
  - 7. Acceptance of Grant from Healthy Kids, Inc. for Wheatley Elementary School
  - 8. Acceptance of Subgrant from KentuckianaWorks to Fund Customized Adult Education Services at Kentucky Manufacturing Career Center
  - 9. Acceptance of Funding from the Kentucky Community & Technical College System on Behalf of Jefferson Community & Technical College for the Accelerating Opportunity Kentucky Initiative
  - 10. Acceptance of Read to Achieve Funding for Fiscal Year 2013–14
  - 11. Acceptance of Funding from the University of Louisville to Support Teacher-in-Residence Programs
- Q. Approval of Fiscal Year 2013 Technology Activity Report
- R. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with YMCA of Greater Louisville for Childcare Enrichment Program
- S. Approval of Student Spaceflight Experiments Program Agreement with the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education
- T. Approval of 2014–15 Head Start and Early Head Start Enrollment, Recruitment, Selection, Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, and Attendance Criteria Process
- U. Approval of Payment of Board Members' Out-of-District Expenses
- V. Approval of 2014 Legislative Priorities
- W. Revision of Board Policies: Personnel (First Reading)

X. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Kids Vision for Life for On-Site Vision Screenings and Exams

Mr. Brent McKim addressed the Board of Education in support of Agenda Item V.V. Approval of 2014 Legislative Priorities.

Chair Porter noted that she would abstain from voting on the Street Academy contracts contained in Agenda Item V.J. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More.

In reference to Agenda Item V.O. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation, Mr. Brady requested that this item be pulled and voted on separately. He will abstain from voting on this item since he is employed by Norton Healthcare.

In reference to Agenda Item V.Q. Approval of Fiscal Year 2013 Technology Activity Report, Mr. Brady commented that he finds this to be an inaccurate and incomplete report because it does not give a full picture of what is being spent and where those funds are going. "We are getting some funds from KDE in regards to technology, but it's very, very, very small in comparison to the funds that we spend within the District."

In reference to Agenda Item V.R. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with YMCA of Greater Louisville for Childcare Enrichment Program, Mr. Brady commented that this is a vital program for parents and stated that it would be helpful from a student achievement standpoint if the District used this program as an opportunity to provide more academic instruction—especially during the summer—as a way of addressing gaps and dealing with summer retention issues.

**Order #2013-183 - Motion Passed:** A recommendation that the Board of Education approve the consent calendar for November 11, 2013, minus contracts #4 and #5 for Louisville Urban League contained in Agenda Item V. J. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More and Agenda Item V.O. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation, which were voted on separately. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chuck Haddaway and a second by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad.

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

**Order #2013-184 - Motion Passed:** A recommendation that the Board of Education approve Contracts #4 and #5 for Louisville Urban League contained in Agenda Item V.J. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More passed with a motion by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr. and a second by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad.

Mr. Chris Brady	No	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Abstain
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

**Order #2013-185 - Motion Passed:** A recommendation that the Board of Education approve Agenda Item V.O. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation passed with a motion by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund and a second by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.

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

## **VI. Action Items**

### **VI.A. Approval of Resolution in Support of Increased Funding for Kentucky School Districts**

**Order #2013-186 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the attached Resolution in Support of Increased Funding for Kentucky School Districts. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund.

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

## **VII. Discussion Items**

### **VII.A. 2013–14 Board of Education Discussion Agenda Planning Calendar**

Mr. Jones asked that leadership use the planning calendar as a tool for planning and to tell Board members and the public what is coming.

Mrs. Duncan noted that the Board has not been receiving copies of the quarterly updates to KDE concerning priority schools.

**Order #2013-187 - 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 2013–14 fiscal year. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	No	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

### VIII. Board Reports and Requests

- Mrs. Duncan reported that she and Mr. Brady attended the KSBA Regional Meeting and noted that Board members will now be required to have training in ethics and finance every year. Mrs. Duncan also reported that she attended the initiation of Fairdale High School's new fire truck and toured the new renovation at Laukhuf Elementary School. She congratulated Laukhuf for exceeding their target and rising from the 30th percentile to the 46th percentile and noted that this exemplifies how the addition of an assistant principal at an elementary school supports student achievement. She noted that she plans to attend the School Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability Council (SCAAC) meeting tomorrow in Frankfort.
- Mr. Brady thanked JCTA for inviting him to attend the Coalition of Essentials Schools Conference in San Francisco.
- Mr. Haddaway thanked the 15th District PTA and President Heather Wampler for the **Wear It Forward Coats for Kids** drive and WHAS-TV's Dawne Gee for using her platform to help students in need. He also reported that he attended the KHSAA State Volleyball Tournament in the new J. C. Cantrell Gymnasium at Valley High School and thanked Principal Rob Stephenson, Jerry Wyman, and the Activities and Athletics team for hosting the event.
- Mr. Jones reported that he delivered the keynote address at ConnectKentucky's 2013 Tech Day Event, which featured discussions on technology's impact on education, history, and culture. The event was held at Northern Kentucky University on November 7.
- Ms. Porter reported that she attended a fundraiser for the Louisville Visual Art Association and congratulated Central High School senior Lania Roberts on the beautiful drypoint etching that was included in her packet.

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

Mr. Jason Gainous addressed the Board of Education concerning the proposed Myers Middle School Cadet Academy.

Chair Porter thanked Mr. Gainous for the information and noted that Dr. Hargens will receive the information and have staff review.

## **X. Executive Session (If Needed)**

## **XI. Adjournment**

**Order #2013-188 - Motion Passed:** A recommendation to adjourn the November 11, 2013, meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 7:41 p.m. passed with a motion by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mr. Chris Brady.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes
Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes

Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes

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Diane Porter, Board Chairman

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Dr. Donna Hargens, Superintendent/Secretary

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