



JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 9, 2013

REGULAR meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at the VanHoose Education Center, 3332 Newburg Road, Louisville, Kentucky, on Monday, December 9, 2013, at 7 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair Diane Porter

Mr. Chris Brady

Mr. Chuck Haddaway

Mrs. Debbie Wesslund

Vice-Chair 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 p.m. to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent. All Board members were present.

Chair Diane Porter called the meeting to order at approximately 4:05 p.m. and read the following statement: "Do I have a motion that the Board of Education enter into Executive session to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) of the Open Meetings Act and KRS 156.557?"

Order #2013-197 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) of the Open Meetings Act and KRS 156.557 passed with a motion by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr. and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

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

CLOSED SESSION

Board members entered into executive session at approximately 4:07 p.m. to discuss the formative evaluation of the superintendent. All Board members were present.

Order #2013-198 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education adjourn from executive session 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 Ann Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

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 6:55 p.m. and adjourned at 6:58 p.m. Mrs. Duncan arrived late; all other Directors were present.

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Porter called the December 9, 2013, regular meeting to order at 7 p.m. The meeting opened with a moment of silence, the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Vision Statement.

III. Approval of Minutes

Order #2013-199 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the November 25, 2013, regular meeting. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chuck Haddaway and a second by Mr. Chris Brady.

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

- A. Recognition of Dawne Gee and WAVE-TV
- B. Recognition of Communications Staff

Order #2013-200 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive the recognitions and resolutions for December 9, 2013. 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		

V. Consent Calendar and Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hargens reported on the four focus areas of *Strategic Plan – Vision 2015* and highlighted the work that is happening during the 2013–14 school year.

- Focus Area 1: Increased Learning;
- Focus Area 2: Graduation and Beyond;
- Focus Area 3: Stakeholder Involvement and Engagement; and
- Focus Area 4: Safe, Resourced, Supported, and Equipped Schools.

"I am withdrawing Policy 03.2 *Classified Personnel* contained in Agenda Item V.Q.4. back to review by the Policy Development Committee and to get responses to the questions that were posed by a Board member.

I would also like to withdraw Agenda Item V.T. Approval of Telecommunication Devices Policy Waiver for Pleasure Ridge Park High School for the 2013–14 School Year. The school has asked to bring that back to you in January, and we would like to honor that request.

I am also withdrawing Agenda Item VI.B. Approval of Pilot Cadet Academy Magnet Program at Myers Middle School. The reason I'm doing that is it really does not require Board approval. Myers Middle School has created elective classes that they refer to as the Cadet Academy. They are currently using school funds for this elective program. The focus is leadership, responsibility, personal discipline, and teamwork. Dr. Bob Rodosky will work with Myers Middle School to do a program evaluation. I appreciate the work and innovation of the Myers staff to come up with this concept and also for all of the community feedback. In the future, if a recommendation would be made to expand this into a Magnet Option, which means taking applications outside the resides area, we would bring the data-driven recommendation to this Board for approval and outline how it fits into an overall magnet system.

Chair Porter, at this time, I recommend the amended consent calendar for the Board's consideration."

Tie Bid Award

In accordance with model procurement guidelines, Vice-Chair Carol Ann Haddad drew lots to determine the winner of a tie bid submitted for Item No. 47 on Bid ID #6835: Lunchroom Commodities (Warehouse Delivery). The tie bid was awarded to US Foods Indianapolis.

Consent Calendar for December 9, 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/engineer for Food Service Phase 33 at Various Schools
- E. Approval of Project Completions and BG-4 Forms
 - 1. 2013 Paving Package 1 at Various Schools for Flynn Brothers Contracting and Paving
 - 2. 2013 Paving Package 1 at Various Schools for MAC Construction and Excavating, Inc.
 - 3. 2013 Paving Package 1 at Various Schools for Riverside Paving and Contracting, Inc.
 - 4. 2013 Paving Package 2 at Various Schools for Riverside Paving and Contracting, Inc.
- F. Approval of Bid Tabulations
- G. Acceptance of Purchase Order Report
- H. Acceptance of Voucher Report
- I. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- J. Acceptance of Monthly Report of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- K. Acceptance of Financial Report for Period Ended October 31, 2013
- L. Acceptance of Donations
- M. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation
- N. Acceptance of Grants and Funding
 - 1. Acceptance of Active Schools Acceleration Project Grant for Schaffner Traditional Elementary School
 - 2. Acceptance of Funding from Commonwealth of Kentucky for Teenage Parent Programs
 - 3. Acceptance of Funding from Kentucky Department of Education for Career and Technical Education
 - 4. Acceptance of Additional Funding for Title 1, Part A, Section 1003(g) School Improvement Funds, Project #4603
- O. Approval of Teenage Parent Program Health Services Agreement with University of Louisville
- P. Approval of External Support/Booster Organizations
- Q. Submission of Board Policies
 - 1. First Reading of Board Policy: *03.18 Evaluation*
 - 2. First Reading of Board Policies: *Curriculum and Instruction*
 - 3. Approval of Board Policy: *09.121 Entrance Age*
 - 4. Approval of Board Policy: *03.2212 Cafeteria Plan*

- R. Approval of 2013–14 Comprehensive District Improvement Plan
- S. Approval of Ford Next Generation Learning Master Plan
- T. ~~ITEM WITHDRAWN: Approval of Telecommunication Devices Policy Waiver for Pleasure Ridge Park High School for the 2013–14 School Year~~
- U. Approval of Resolutions Concerning the Jefferson County School District Finance Corporation

Board members pulled down the following agenda items for additional discussion. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Agenda Item V.R. Approval of 2013–14 Comprehensive District Improvement Plan

- Mrs. Duncan noted that she had several questions and concerns and stated that she would like to meet with Dr. Hensley to discuss.

Agenda Item V.S. Approval of Ford Next Generation Learning Master Plan

- Dr. Brian Shumate, Christi Lanier-Robinson, Dana Shumate, Debbie Anderson, Marty Pollio, James Reddish (Greater Louisville Inc.), and Debra Hoffer (Junior Achievement) came forward to provide information and answer questions.

Order #2013-201 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the consent calendar for December 9, 2013. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr. 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		

VI. Action Items

VI.A. Approval of Restructuring Proposal for Frost Middle School, Valley High School, and Phoenix School of Discovery

Louisville Metro District Councilwoman Cindi Fowler, Mr. Nate Jones, Mr. Joe Cantrell, Mr. Wallace McMullen, and Ms. Kathy Little addressed the Board of Education concerning the restructuring proposal for Frost Middle School, Valley High School, and Phoenix School of Discovery:

Dr. Dewey Hensley, chief academic officer, and Dr. Brian Shumate, assistant superintendent, came forward to provide information and answer questions. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Mrs. Wesslund requested that Dr. Hargens and staff work with the City and LG&E to investigate and monitor the environmental concerns and report back to the Board on the specific monitoring activities and next steps.

Chair Porter requested enrollment projections for Frost Middle School for the next three to five years and asked if the District is ensuring that staff will keep their jobs. She also asked that Dr. Hargens create a task force/committee to work with the Department of Health, LG&E, and other appropriate agencies to study the environmental issues and report back to the Board with ongoing information.

(Amended January 13, 2014, in accordance with Board Order #2014-003: Mr. Brady requested that the minutes of the December 9, 2013, meeting be amended to reflect the reason he voted against the Frost proposal. "For the record I would like to reflect the reason I voted no on the Frost proposal was due to concerns about the health and safety of our students and staff. Specifically, continuing to have students attend a school that lies within an area of non-attainment of air quality standards as required by the EPA and Frost's proximity to a coal ash pond that is deemed high-risk also by the EPA.")

Order #2013-202 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the proposed restructuring of Frost Middle School, Valley High School, and Phoenix School of Discovery as presented in the attachment. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chuck Haddaway and a second by Mrs. Debbie Wesslund.

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	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

VI.B. ITEM WITHDRAWN: ~~Approval of Pilot Cadet Academy Magnet Program at Myers Middle School~~

VII. Discussion Items

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

Order #2013-203 - 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 Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mr. Chuck Haddaway.

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		

VIII. Board Reports and Requests

- Mrs. Debbie Wesslund noted that she will serve on Commissioner Holliday’s School Board Advisory Group. The first meeting is January 29, and she would be happy to relay any messages on behalf of Board members and District staff on things that are working well and things that we might like changed.
- As a follow-up to the November 25 report on the student assignment process, Mr. Jones requested additional information concerning the data showing average travel times of 25–26 minutes. “I would like to ask for a follow-on analysis about the tails of that bell curve on each side and what correlations can be drawn—who is on the bus for longer? We saw that income and race did not correlate, but I would be very curious about student achievement outcomes and clusters—those sorts of things. Dr. Rodosky, I think you would be able to identify the questions that we would be in search of correlations on, but I would love a little bit deeper dive out away from the average.”
- Mrs. Duncan reported on the KSBA Winter Symposium and Board of Directors meetings.
- Chair Porter congratulated Noe Middle School’s eighth-grade chorus on their recent performance at the Kentucky Center for the Arts and gave a shout-out to her former students in Louisville Male High School’s Class of 1973, who recently held their 40-year reunion.
- Chair Porter requested a written report on alternative schools to include enrollment data, demographics, the number of students who return to their assigned school, graduation rates, reasons for referral to the alternative school, and a list of discipline strategies and programs.

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

- Mr. Chris Harmer, Mr. John Wilborn, Mr. Russ Greenleaf, and Ms. Marge Manke addressed the Board of Education concerning the Cadet Academy Program at Myers Middle School.
- Mr. Shelby Lanier Jr. and Mr. Rick Howland addressed the Board concerning zero tolerance.

X. Executive Session (If Needed)

XI. Adjournment

Order #2013-204 - Motion Passed: A recommendation to adjourn the December 9, 2013, meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 9:49 p.m. 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 Ann Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

Diane Porter, Board Chairman

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