



JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 11, 2014

REGULAR meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at the VanHoose Education Center, 3332 Newburg Road, Louisville, Kentucky, on Monday, August 11, 2014, at 7 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairwoman Diane Porter
Mr. Chris Brady
Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund

Vice-Chairman David A. Jones, Jr.
Mrs. Linda Duncan
Mr. Chuck Haddaway

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

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

WORK SESSION

At 4 p.m., Board members conducted a work session to discuss the proposals from the four finalists of the JCPS School of Innovation Design Competition: Next-Generation Community School, Metro Museum Magnet School, Louisville Reach Academy, and The Catalpa School. Chairwoman Porter was absent; all other Board members were present.

Dr. Robert Rodosky; chief of Data Management, Planning, and Program Evaluation; Dr. Dena Dossett, director of Planning; and Jonathan Lowe, director of Student Assignment; presented information and answered questions concerning the four School of Innovation design concepts.

At 5:30 p.m., Board members had dinner with new principals and principals with new assignments.

REGULAR MEETING

Chairwoman Porter called the August 11, 2014, regular meeting to order at 7 p.m. with a traditional moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Vision Statement read by Vice-Chairman David A. Jones Jr.

III. Approval of Minutes

Order #2014-123 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the July 28, 2014, 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 New Principals and Principals with New Assignments

Order #2014-124 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive the recognitions and resolutions for August 11, 2014. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady 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		

Superintendent's Report

Chairwoman Diane Porter, members of the Board; it is my pleasure to call your attention to a few items of special interest.

Congratulations to Julia Bauscher, JCPS Director of School and Community Nutrition Services. Julia was installed as president of the School Nutrition Association at last month's annual national conference in Boston and is featured in the August 2014 issue of the School Nutrition Association publication. The School Nutrition Association is the national organization of school nutrition professionals committed to advancing the quality of school meal programs through education and advocacy. Best wishes to Julia in this important role and this opportunity.

The 2014 Challenger Center Annual Conference is taking place as we speak in Louisville, Kentucky, from August 10 through 14. This morning, I met Lance Bush, president and CEO of the Challenger Learning Center, June Scobee Rodgers, founder of Challenger

Centers, and Barbara Morgan, NASA's first educator astronaut. So, it was an honor to meet them right here in Louisville, Kentucky.

Tomorrow, Tuesday, August 12, at 10 a.m., we will host the 2014–15 *JCPS Connect* Kickoff—a live, virtual, districtwide event. The 2014–15 *JCPS Connect* Kickoff will provide employees the opportunity to receive information directly from me and from the leadership team, learn about a new resource for all employees, and engage cabinet members and me in a live question-and-answer session.

So we know, as we begin a new school year, it is important for all JCPS employees to have accurate information about the progress they are a part of each day. We know they receive questions from our community, and we want them to have the answers at their fingertips. So, as a part of *JCPS Connect*—our initiative is to strengthen internal communications—we are launching this new info-graphic web page, created by graphic designer Sarah Haley. It details the progress of the district in several key areas <http://www.jefferson.kyschools.us/JCPSConnect/> [brief *JCPS Connect* demonstration].

Item R. on the Consent Agenda is the Approval to Name the Upper Gymnasium at Frederick Law Olmsted Academy North the Derwin "Durk" Davidson Gymnasium, I would like to welcome and congratulate Mr. Durk Davidson.

Attending with Mr. Davidson tonight are his wife, Pat; his sons, Drake and Dylan; the current principal, Ryan Rodosky; past principal, Bill Perkins; and Assistant Superintendent Amy Dennes.

Mr. Davidson is a graduate of Seneca High School. He began working as a Family Resource and Youth Services Center Coordinator at Olmsted Academy North, formerly Southern Middle School, in 1994. During his 20 years at Olmsted Academy North, Mr. Davidson mentored thousands of students. Mr. Davidson is a shining example of JCPS at its best.

Chairwoman Porter, at this time, I recommend the Consent Calendar for the Board's consideration.

V. Consent Calendar for August 11, 2014

- A. Approval of Personnel Actions
- B. Approval of Certified Leaves of Absence
- C. Approval of Organizational Charts
- D. Approval of Field Trip Requests
- E. Approval of Revised BG–1 Forms
 1. Courtyard Modifications at Ballard High School
 2. Shared Use Path at Stonestreet Elementary School
- F. Approval of Contract Completion and BG–4 Form for Intercom Replacement at Breckinridge Metropolitan High School

- G. Approval of Project Closeouts and BG-5 Forms
 - 1. Roof Replacement at Atherton High School
 - 2. New Media Center Addition at Cochrane Elementary School
 - 3. HVAC Renovation/Media Center Phase I at Coral Ridge Elementary School
 - 4. New Elevator Addition at Crums Lane Elementary School
 - 5. Stadium Bleacher Replacement at Valley High School
- H. Approval of Construction Change Orders
- I. Approval of Request from C. L. Anderson Architecture, LLC and Cornerstone Engineering Inc. to Apply for Commercial Buildings Tax Deduction Under Section 1331 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005
- J. Approval of Bid Tabulations, Contract Renewals, and Amendments
- K. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- L. Acceptance of Purchase Order Report
- M. Acceptance of Voucher Report
- N. Approval of Impact Aid for Fiscal Year 2014-15
- O. Approval of Revised Travel Guidelines
- P. Acceptance of Grants and Funding
 - 1. Acceptance of Donations and Small Grants
 - 2. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation
 - 3. Acceptance of Funding from KentuckianaWorks for Face Forward Services at the Kentucky Youth Career Center
 - 4. Acceptance of IDEA-B State Share Restricted Funds from Kentucky Department of Education
 - 5. Acceptance of Funding from Metro United Way for the Louisville Education and Employment Partnership
 - 6. Acceptance of WHAS Crusade for Children Grants
- Q. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Louisville Foster Grandparents Program
- R. Approval to Name the Upper Gymnasium at Frederick Law Olmsted Academy North the Derwin "Durk" Davidson Gymnasium
- S. Revision of Board Policies for First Reading

Board members pulled down the following Consent Calendar items for additional comment and discussion:

- V.A. Approval of Personnel Actions: Mrs. Duncan requested additional information concerning bus monitors;
- V.K. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More: Mrs. Wesslund requested additional information on the professional services contracts for the Jefferson County Sheriff and Edgenuity;

- V.P.2. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation: Mr. Jones stated that he was recusing himself from voting on this agenda item and requested that the item be voted on separately;
- V.S. Revision of Board Policies for First Reading: Mrs. Haddad requested that the Board waive the second reading and approve the policies this evening.

Order #2014-125 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education approve the August 11, 2014, Consent Calendar minus Agenda Item V.P.2. and waive the second reading for Agenda Item V.S. Revision of Board Policies 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		

Order #2014-126 - Motion Passed: A motion to approve Agenda Item V.P.2. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation passed 6–1 with a motion by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

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

VI. Action Items

VI.A. Selection of JCPs School of Innovation Design

Dr. Robert Rodosky; chief of Data Management, Planning, and Program Evaluation; Dr. Dena Dossett, director of Planning, and Jonathan Lowe, director of Student Assignment, presented information and answered questions concerning the School of Innovation design proposals. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions. Several Board members stated that Administration should come back in September with additional information including budget and location.

Mr. Jones: “I move that we name as winners of the School of Innovation contest The Catalpa School and the Louisville Reach Academy and that we authorize the next-phase of planning to go forward with the superintendent come back with budget, as has been requested, but also with specific waivers. My concern is that we’re just going to ask existing schools to do this, and that’s not innovation, that’s just piling on top of busy people. So, I want to see the actual change that we’re asking for. So, go forward, but come to us with specifics that we can then bless so they get funded and you go to Frankfort with

it. Metro Museum Magnet School is a fantastic idea — there’s no question that it’s innovative. The only reason not to include it is it requires deeper work with the community because we’re not going to fund it out of this budget cycle. We need to work with community partners to find the building and the dough to stand it up if we want to do that. And the Next-General Community School, I think the ideas are already adopted really, and they’re going to empower folks who are on that path in a better way. So, the motion is, name the two and let’s roll; come back with whatever you need for the other two.”

Mr. Haddaway requested that Mr. Jones restate his motion a little more concisely so Board members are clear on what they are voting on.

Mr. Jones: “I move that we name The Catalpa School and the Louisville Reach Academy as the winners of the School of Innovation contest and that we ask the superintendent to move forward with the planning and come back to the Board for approval of whatever budget is needed and authorization to submit a waiver request.”

Order #2014-127 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education name The Catalpa School and Louisville Reach Academy as the winners of the School of Innovation contest and ask the superintendent to move forward with the planning and come back to the Board for approval of whatever budget is needed and authorization to submit a waiver request 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 Ann Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

VI.B. Update on Magnet School Review

Dr. Robert Rodosky; chief of Data Management, Planning, and Program Evaluation; presented information concerning the recommendations contained in Magnet Schools of America’s magnet school review and the proposal to discontinue the magnet status for Jacob Elementary School, McFerran Preparatory Academy, Rangeland Elementary School, and Rutherford Elementary School for the 2015–16 school year. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Mrs. Haddad asked for clarification concerning the attachment, *Status Update on MSA Recommendations*. Dr. Rodosky noted that the attachment was provided as information only and was not part of the recommendation. Chairwoman Porter noted that this had caused confusion and requested that, in the future, informational documents be provided in a different venue.

Mr. Jones stated that there needs to be a timeline and actual plan for any recommendations concerning the magnet schools. “We had a very powerful critique of the magnet program come in here, and we can’t just sit here and let it linger out there.”

Order #2014-128 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the discontinuation of the magnet status for Jacob Elementary School, McFerran Preparatory Academy, Rangeland Elementary School, and Rutherford Elementary School for the 2015–16 school year. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.

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		

Chairwoman Porter: “Before we move on to our next agenda item, Dr. Hargens, I want to point out that the Board is requesting more information about the magnet report—more than the handout that we received this evening—whether that’s in the form of a work session—because we could go on talking about the various recommendations for some time and that’s not what we were asked to do. But it warrants conversation, so please bring something back to the Board.”

Dr. Hargens: “Absolutely. We’ll bring a timeline—a very specific timeline to the Board.”

VI.C. Report on Impact of Telecommunication Devices Policy Waivers and Approval of Waivers for the 2014–15 School Year

Karen Branham, assistant superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction; Sharis Lattimore, director of Computer Education Support; Dr. Marco Muñoz, evaluation specialist, Data Management, Planning, and Program Evaluation; Amy Dennes, assistant superintendent, Achievement Area 2; and Brad Weston, principal of Fairdale High School, provided an update concerning the telecommunication devices policy waiver pilot program for the 2013–14 school year. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Mr. Brady voiced his concern about the lack of a post-implementation review, an assessment of what went wrong and what went right, and various other data points. He noted that the specific lessons learned during the pilot program should be written down to provide a road map so other schools can benefit from the pilot schools’ experience.

Order #2014-129 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive a report and updates on the schools participating in the telecommunications device policy waiver pilot program and approve an extension of the telecommunications device policy waivers for Moore Traditional School and Ballard, duPont Manual, Fairdale, Iroquois, Pleasure Ridge Park, Seneca, Valley, and Waggener high schools for the 2014–15 school year. The Superintendent also requests approval of one additional waiver for Brown High School for the 2014–15 school year. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr. 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. 2014–15 Board of Education Discussion Agenda Planning Calendar

Mr. Jones requested that the superintendent schedule a report on magnet schools in the fall and Mrs. Wesslund requested that the report on arts in the schools also be scheduled for the fall. In reference to the Update on the Joint Education Commitment with Louisville Metro Government scheduled for December 15, Mrs. Wesslund requested that Mayor Fischer be invited to participate in the report as well as representatives from other community partners such as KentuckianaWorks and Greater Louisville, Inc.

Order #2014-130 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education receive for information a planning calendar outlining discussion agenda items to occur during the 2014–15 fiscal year to include the addition of a report on magnet schools and a report on arts in schools in the fall passed with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady 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		

VIII. Board Reports and Requests

- Mrs. Duncan requested current enrollment figures for Kindergarten, Phoenix School of Discovery, and Waggener and Valley middle schools;
- Mrs. Duncan requested the college and career readiness rate for GED students;

- Mrs. Duncan: “55,000 Degrees is an initiative that uses JCPS data to track our progress toward preparing kids for post-secondary study or education training. Our trajectory is reviewed to see if we are reaching goals. I would also like to—you know I think it’s very important that 55,000 Degrees is also aligned with the jobs that we have coming into the community. So I would like to see the data that has been gathered on the jobs that have been created and what areas those jobs are in so that we can make sure our programs are aligned with the needs of the community and the jobs that are being created and brought in...I think we need to keep checking that alignment...and probably GLI has that information.”

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

Mr. James White addressed the Board concerning minority participation in construction projects, and Ms. Mary Bledshaw addressed the Board concerning a transportation issue. Chairwoman Porter requested that the Superintendent look into both issues and report back to the Board.

X. Executive Session (If Needed)

Chairwoman Porter made the following announcement. “It is necessary for the Board of Education to enter into executive session at this time. Do I have a motion that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussions relating to negotiation strategies pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(e) of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act?”

Order #2014-131 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussions relating to Negotiation Strategies pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(e) of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act 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 Ann Haddad	Yes	Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

Order #2014-132 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education adjourn from Executive Session and return to Open Session passed with a motion by Mrs. Carol Ann Haddad and a second by Mr. Chris Brady. Chairwoman Porter left early and was not present for the vote.

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	Absent
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

Board members returned to open session at approximately 10:01 p.m. and Vice-Chairman David A. Jones, Jr. made the following announcement: "The Board of Education met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussions relating to Negotiation Strategies pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(e) of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act and no action was taken."

XI. Adjournment

Order #2014-133 - Motion Passed: A recommendation to adjourn the August 11, 2014, regular meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 10:02 p.m. 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	Absent
Mrs. Debbie Wesslund	Yes		

Diane Porter, Chairwoman

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