## Superintendent's Report September 14, 2015

Chair David Jones, members of the Board; it is my pleasure to call your attention to a few items of special interest.

**Cabinet and Direct Reports** met on Monday, August 31, 2015, to give input on the *Strategic Plan Vision* 2020.

The Interim Joint Committee for Education met at Fairdale High School this morning. Legislators took a tour of the school before the meeting. Principal Brad Weston gave a presentation on the Cambridge International Program.

The following alumni were inducted into the **Valley High School Hall of Fame** on Saturday, September 12: Bob Ball, Dr. Robert Beanblossom, Dr. Kent Brown, Fred Copass, Tenesha Blakey Marshall, Bob Richardson, Irvin Spencer, Dr. James L. Sublett, Paul W. Thornhill, Thomas Lee Waller, and Dennis L. Williams.

Congratulations to the **Waggener High School Athletics Dragon Boat team**, who were the scholastic division champions in the Louisville Dragon Boat Race this past Saturday at the 2015 Louisville Dragon Boat Festival, and congratulations also to the **Western High School Team** who placed third. Other participating JCPS teams were: Atherton and Butler high schools and a JCPS staff team.

The **Calendar Committee** for the 2016-17 School Year held its first meeting on September 3, 2015. After overall positive feedback regarding the current calendar structure, JCPS management proposed a calendar modeled after the 2014-15 and 2015-16 approved calendars. The highlights of this calendar include:

- A mid-August start
- Small Fall Break in October
- Two-week Winter Break
- Spring Break the first full week of April
- End date scheduled prior to Memorial Day

Additionally, this calendar has four make-up days scheduled throughout the school year, with the remainder scheduled to be made up at the end of the year.

The only real point of discussion during the first meeting centered around possibly moving a make-up day to the Thursday prior to the Kentucky Oaks and Derby from the Thursday prior to Spring Break.

Committee members were instructed to solicit any additional feedback or suggestions from their respective constituencies to bring to the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 4:00 p.m., at Atherton High School.

The proposed 2016-17 School Calendar will be presented to the Board as an information item at the September 28, 2015, Board meeting, and will be submitted to the Board for approval at the October 12, 2015, Board meeting.

Chair Jones, this concludes my report and my recommendation for approval of the consent agenda later in the meeting.