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11/25/15

Jefferson County Board of Education
Jefferson County Public Schools
3332 Newburg Road
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Dear Board of Education:

I am writing today to provide a brief biographical description and a rationale for facility naming at Central High school. I recommend the naming of the pool and athletic spaces at the main campus after the 14th principal of Central High School, Dr. Daniel Withers. Currently, the pool, adjacent gyms, and locker rooms are named the Central High School Athletic and Aquatic Center. If approved, the name of the pool and athletic spaces would become the Dr. Daniel Withers Athletic and Aquatic Center.

Dr. Withers served Central as assistant principal for 10 years and principal for 12 years, totaling 22 years. As a 43 year veteran of JCPS, Dr. Withers was never implicated in any scandalous accusations and had a positive impact on thousands of students in JCPS. Dr. Withers is a member of the 100 Black Men of Louisville and is held in high regard in the entire Louisville community.

As a graduate of CHS, class of 1964, Dr. Withers is an active member of the Distinguished Alumni committee, a group that nominates and vets alumni on the merit of their accomplishments after high school. While a student at Central, Dr. Withers excelled in many sports, including the rifle team. Dr. Withers' rifle team was a national competitor each of his four years at Central. While principal, Dr. Withers was an ardent supporter of all athletic teams at Central. Even now, in retirement, Dr. Withers still braves the cold weather and cheers on teams in competition.

The pool at Central was remodeled a couple of years ago. Dr. Withers was the principal during this \$2 million dollar renovation and was the first person to swim in the newly renovated pool. As an avid swimmer, former CHS principal, CHS assistant principal, and CHS student, it is fitting to honor Dr. Withers with such an honor, and leave a lasting legacy for generations of students to look up to. Attached to this letter is the endorsement of the Central SBDM, PTSA, and FRYSC Advisory Council.

Humbly submitted,



Raymond E. Green, Principal

Central High School

Special Called SBDM Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2015

Mr. Green called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Members Present: Raymond Green, Delores Crittenden, Renee Romaine, Dana Kelly, Patrick Robertson, and Sheri Duff

Members Not Present: Kathy Britt

Guests Present: Brenda Schmidt, Jerrita Cook, and Shay Thomas

Moment of Silence

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Old Business

Agendas and minutes from September and October were reviewed and read. Mr. Robertson put forth a motion to accept the minutes and agendas and Ms. Kelly seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The writing policy was read for a third time today. No questions were brought forward about the policy. Ms. Romaine put forth a motion to accept the writing policy as read. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. Motion passed by consensus.

Satellite class on the financial report was discussed. Since it was not determined what this designation is used for, the funds will be moved to the student activity account.

Selection Policy Changes were read and discussed. It was determined that the Selection Committee should review and input any recommendations for changes with the policy. Ms. Kelly will take it to the Selection Committee.

New Business

Guest Speaker, Vanessa Miller, spoke about requesting the purchase of 15 copies of several trade paperbacks for the English Department. Trade paperbacks are used as textbooks in the class. Mr. Green questioned if this purchase was fiscally responsible? After Ms. Miller spoke, there were many questions. It was brought to the Council's attention that the English department has a book room. These numbers effect the library. The Librarian can order books but with three as a maximum for one title, not 15. If a student talks to another and recommend a book, this would enable the student to go to the English department's book room and take a book. There is no tracking of books in the English Department whereas in the library they are tracked. Central High School is ranked in the bottom three which is affected by the English Department's book room. This brought about questions on accounting for books. A motion was put forth by Ms. Romaine to table the decision to authorize the purchase until more information and accountability plans were given. Ms. Kelly seconded. Motion passed. The Council asked if the Librarian would please come to the next meeting to share information from the perspective of the library.

The financial report was reviewed. Questions were brought about 225 Aquatics and 226 Swimming Equipment and discussed.

The budget policy was read and approved. The instructional materials policy was read and discussed. Changes were made. This will be read again at the next meeting. Professional Development policy was read and approved.

CSIP Executive Summary, Needs Assessment, and Improvement Plan Stakeholder Involvement were handed out to all. Ms. Duff asked that the members take it home, read it, and email any feedback. She will have the other part of the CSIP to hand out at the next meeting for review.

Mr. Green spoke about naming the pool, The Dr. Daniel Withers Aquatics and Athletics Center. This needs to be approved by the SBDM Council, FRYSC, and PTSA before going to the Superintendent and the Board. A motion was put forth by Mr. Robertson to name the pool, The Dr. Daniel Withers Aquatics and Athletics Center. Ms. Romaine seconded. Motion passed. The dedication ceremony will take place on December 9, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Consultation was rescinded and we will be reinterviewing.

Ms. Duff spoke about the budget. There was \$20,000 set aside for a certified PE/Gym Teacher which we never used. Paperwork was signed to get the money back.

The agenda was set for the next meeting. The December 14 meeting was cancelled. A special called meeting was scheduled for December 7 at 3:00 p.m.

Ms. Kelly made a motion to close the meeting. Mr. Robertson seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

***Central High School PTSA
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10/22/15

JCPS,

The Central High School PTSA would like for the Central High School Pool be named the Dr. Daniel Withers Aquatic Center.

Dr. Withers was a great leader during the time he was Principal at Central. We feel that he put Central on the map during his leader ship.

So, please consider changing the name of the Central pool to Dr. Daniel Withers Athletic and Aquatic Center.

Thank You for Your Support

PTSA President

Ms. Carol Smith

Brown/Central Family Resource and Youth Services Center

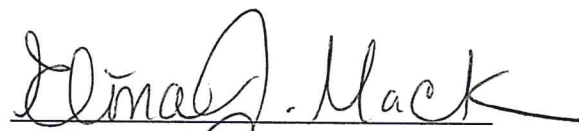
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October 26, 2015

Dear Committee Members:

The Brown/Central Family Resource & Youth Service Center Advisory Council is in agreement with renaming the current swimming pool located at Central High School, to the *DR. DANIEL WITHERS AQUATIC CENTER*, in honor of retired principal, Dr. Daniel Withers.


FRYSC Coordinator


Advisory Council Chairperson