

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of April 12, 2022

Regular Business Meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at VanHoose Education Center, on Tuesday, April 12, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairwoman Diane Porter Vice-Chair Corrie Shull
Mr. James Craig Mrs. Linda Duncan
Dr. Chris Kolb Mr. Joseph Marshall

Ms. Sarah McIntosh

Board Members Duncan and Porter attended the meeting via videoconference. Board Members Craig, Kolb, Marshall, McIntosh, and Shull attended the meeting in person.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Superintendent Martin A. Pollio, Ed.D.
Kevin Brown, General Counsel
Robert Moore, Chief of Schools
Dr. Dena Dossett, Chief of Accountability, Research, & Systems Improvement
Amanda Averette-Bush, Executive Administrator of School Choice

This meeting was conducted via videoconference pursuant to KRS 61.823 and KRS 61.826. The primary location for this meeting and where all members could be seen and heard by the public was the VanHoose Education Center. Members of the Board were permitted to attend in-person or via video-teleconference pursuant to KRS 61.826. Members of the public were permitted to attend in person or watch the live-stream of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The purpose of this meeting was for Board members to have discussions relating to proposed litigation. Portions of the meeting were closed to the public as provided for under KRS 61.810(1)(c) of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act.

I. Call to Order

Chair Porter called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and the Board then moved into closed session.

II. Enter into Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act

Order #2022-56 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education enter executive session to have discussions relating to proposed litigation per KRS 61.810(1)(c) of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act passed with a motion by Ms. Sarah McIntosh and a second by Dr. Corrie Shull.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

III. Adjourn from Executive Session

The Board returned to open session at 6:07 p.m.

Order #2022-57 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education adjourn executive session and return to open session passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

IV. Possible Consideration of Motion Regarding Proposed Litigation

Order #2022-58 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education authorize general counsel to engage outside counsel to proceed with initiating litigation in the filing of a complaint consistent with the matter of proposed litigation discussed in closed session. The identity of the matter cannot be disclosed at this time in order to preserve litigation strategy but will become public at the time of filing with the court. The motion passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

V. Adjournment

The special meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Order #2022-59 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m. passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Porter called the April 12, 2022, Business Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:09 p.m. This was followed by a traditional moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Member McIntosh read the District Vision Statement.

III. Recognitions and Resolutions

- A. Recognition of Recipients of the Minor Daniels Scholarship Fund
- B. Recognition of Aditya Gollamudi for His Ingenuity and Selflessness in Creating Path2Programming
- **C.** Recognition of Fischer Wells for Her Courage, Strength, and Poise in Participating in the Civic and Democratic Process
- **D.** Recognition of Kameron Julian for Demonstrating Courage, Strength, and Poise in Participating in the Civic and Democratic Process
- **E.** Recognition of Keshawn Johnson, DAngelia McMillan, Aaliyah Compton, Andrene Flowers, Heavenly Garth, A Mani Garth, Amya Hudson, DaVonn Pitney, Kaylin Booker, and Jeriah McMillan for Demonstrating Courage, Strength, and Poise in Participating in the Civic and Democratic Process
- **F.** Recognition of Brianna Woods, Brennon Eberwine, Oren Hatchet, Jayus Rasheed, Dartanya Hill, Genesis Hatchet, Love Eden, Alesha Thorn, Deuel Hatchet, Demontez Shepard, Dennis Collins and Joseph Paige for Demonstrating Courage, Strength, and Poise in Participating in the Civic and Democratic Process

Order #2022-60 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education receive the recognitions passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Duncan and a second by Mr. James Craig.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

IV. Recommendation for Approval of Meeting Agenda

Order #2022-61 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the agenda for April 12, 2022. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Mr. Joseph Marshall.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

V. Recommendation for Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Order #2022-62 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the minutes of the March 29, 2022, meeting. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

VI. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Pollio discussed the effects of and strategies to reduce chronic absenteeism in JCPS.

VII. Persons Requesting to Address the Board on Action Items or Consent Calendar Items to be Voted Upon Separately at Board Member Request

There were no speakers at this time.

VIII. Action Items

IX. Information Items

A. School Choice Proposal: Dual Resides, Feeder Patterns, and Choice Zone Support Plan

Dr. Pollio presented the first two components of the proposed student assignment plan: dual resides and feeder patterns, and the choice zone support plan. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Mrs. Duncan said that she hopes to have the same kind of enthusiastic support for the choice zone support plan as they did for W.E.B. DuBois Academy and Grace M. James Academy of Excellence. She asked if anything was in those plans that are not in these plans. She asked if the proposed high school boundaries would ensure all buildings have adequate accommodations for the number of students in attendance.

Mr. Marshall asked how the District would help ease parents' concerns with an unfamiliar network of elementary schools. He asked for clarification regarding the \$7 million in additional support for the 11 elementary schools. He briefly discussed the plan for smaller class sizes and teacher retention. He questioned the plan to better align programs with the proposed feeder patterns.

Ms. McIntosh wanted to make sure that physical hygiene issues are included in the plans for physical and mental health supports. She wanted to ensure that art programs and electives would be protected as schools plan for additional math and literacy supports. She acknowledged the burden on families when kids attend multiple schools and commented on the need to keep families together if possible. She wanted to make sure that pathway schools are having conversations around the little things like dress code and uniforms, which can be burdensome for families who are not well resourced.

Dr. Kolb stated that he is strongly in favor of the draft proposal. He discussed the feedback and concerns that he had received regarding the proposed boundary change for Atherton High School. He wanted to understand what the effects would be if the high school and middle school boundaries were perfectly matched up. He asked if the Board would be able to view the online feedback information.

Dr. Shull asked what the potential would be for allowing Title I schools in the Choice Zone the freedom to choose their teachers and to develop curriculum similar to the way W.E.B. DuBois Academy and Grace M. James Academy of Excellence are able to do. He questioned diversity efforts in the Choice Zone schools. He requested the specifics regarding concerns with teaching and learning and ensuring a sense of belonging for students.

Chair Porter asked if information is available to parents regarding the location of Title I schools. She asked if academic programs and opportunities such as the Advanced Program are going to be more prevalent across the District. She wanted to understand the options available to families who are not accepted into a magnet school. She wanted to hear more details regarding additional magnet schools. She asked what the annual accountability report would include and if outside auditors would look at the academic progress in the District. She questioned communication with parents to ensure they understand what their choices will be.

Order #2022-63 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education receive the report on the School Choice Proposal. The recommendation passed with a motion by Dr. Corrie Shull and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

X. Consent Calendar

- A. Report of Certified Leaves
- B. Report of Personnel Actions
- C. Recommendation for Approval of Field Trip Request
- **D.** Recommendation for Approval of the Project, Assignment of Architects/Engineers, and the BG-1 for Classroom Renovation at Farnsley Middle School
- E. Recommendation for Approval of Bids and Revised BG-1 Forms
- 1. Recommendation for Approval of Bid and Revised BG-1 Form for Playground Renovation at Bloom Elementary School
- **2.** Recommendation for Approval of Bid and Revised BG-1 Form for Elevator Modernizations at Various Schools
- F. Recommendation for Approval of Contract Completions and BG-4 Forms
- **1.** Recommendation for Approval of Contract Completion and BG-4 Form for Window Replacement at Hawthorne Elementary School
- **2.** Recommendation for Approval of Contract Completion and BG-4 Form for Chiller and Water Heater Replacement at Rutherford Elementary School
- **3.** Recommendation for Approval of Contract Completion and BG-4 Form for Window Replacement at Wilder Elementary School
- G. Notification of Sanitary Sewer and Drainage Easement for Blue Lick Bus Compound
- H. Recommendation for Approval of Bid Tabulation, Contract Renewals, and Amendments.
- I. Recommendation for Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$20,000 or More
- **J.** Acceptance of Orders of the Treasurer
- 1. Acceptance of Orders of the Treasurer-Invoices
- 2. Acceptance of Orders of the Treasurer-Purchase Orders
- 3. Acceptance of Orders of the Treasurer-Vouchers
- K. Acceptance of Monthly Financial Report for Period Ended February 28, 2022
- L. Acceptance of Donations, Grants, and Funding
- 1. Acceptance of Donations and Small Grants
- **2.** Acceptance of Offer of Assistance from the Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission Education Technology Funding Program
- M. Recommendation for Approval of Agreements
- **1.** Recommendation for Approval of Contract and Acceptance of Reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Kentucky for Work Performed at the New Elementary School Dixie Corridor
- 2. Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreements for Mental Health Services
- **a.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mental Health Services with Lecorgan Counseling & Wellness, LLC
- **b.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mental Health Services with Jewish Family & Career Services of Louisville, Inc.
- **c.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mental Health Services with Aspire 2 Be Counseling, LLC
- **d.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mental Health Services with Option to Success Family Services

- **e.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mental Health Services with Total Life Counseling & Consulting, LLC
- **f.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mental Health Services with Sims Counseling & Consulting, LLC
- **g.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Mental Health Services with SocialBug Integrated Counseling Services, Inc.
- 3. Recommendation for Approval of Data Sharing Agreement with SMART Technologies
- 4. Recommendation for Approval of Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Sourcewell Service Cooperative
- N. Recommendation for Approval of Indirect Cost Rates for Fiscal Year 2022-23

Order #2022-64 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda for April 12, 2022, passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

XI. Board Planning Calendar

There was no discussion.

Order #2022-65 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education receive for information a planning calendar outlining discussion agenda items. The recommendation passed with a motion by Ms. Sarah McIntosh and a second by Mr. Joseph Marshall.

Mr. James Craig	Yes
Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Dr. Christopher Kolb	Yes
Mr. Joseph Marshall	Yes
Ms. Sarah McIntosh	Yes
Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Corrie Shull	Yes

XII. Committee Reports

Mr. Craig reminded the Board about the upcoming Facilities meeting.

XIII. Board Reports

Mrs. Duncan briefly discussed the upcoming Build-A-Bed event.

Dr. Shull recognized the Justice League for their performances at Actors Theatre of Louisville.

Chair Porter recognized Ketanji Brown Jackson who made history by becoming the first Black woman to be confirmed as a Supreme Court Justice. She thanked the YMCA for their ongoing work with the Black Achievers Scholarship program. She acknowledged Darryl McDaniels, a rapper and founding member of the group Run-D.M.C., who visited Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary and shared his book 'Darryl's Dream'. She concluded by expressing condolences to families who are losing people.

XIV. Persons Requesting to Address the Board (If Necessary)

Gay Adelmann discussed the JCPS Student Assignment and teacher pay raises.

XV. Executive Session (If Necessary)

XVI. Action Item (If Necessary)

XVII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Order #2022-66 - Motion Passed: A motion to adjourn the meeting of the April 12, 2022, meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 8:12 p.m. passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Duncan and a second by Dr. Christopher Kolb.

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Yes

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Diane Porter	Dr. Martin A. Pollio
Chairwoman	Superintendent/Secretary