



**JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 26, 2015**

**SPECIAL** meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at Valley High School, 10200 Dixie Highway, Louisville, Kentucky, on Monday, January 26, 2015, at 7 p.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chair David A. Jones, Jr.  
Mr. Chris Brady  
Mr. Chuck Haddaway  
Dr. Lisa Willner

Vice-Chair Diane Porter  
Mrs. Linda Duncan  
Mrs. Stephanie Horne

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Superintendent Donna Hargens  
Rosemary Miller, General Counsel  
Kathy Smith, Assistant Secretary to the Board

**WORK SESSIONS**

At 4 p.m., Board members held a work session to discuss the draft budget and allocation formula for fiscal year 2015–16. Superintendent Donna Hargens and Chief Financial Officer Cordelia Hardin facilitated the discussion. John Collopy, director, Financial Planning and Management, and Tara Rowland, budget coordinator, were also available to answer questions. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board of Education met in executive session at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussions relating to proposed or pending litigation.

**Order #2015-013 - Primary Motion Passed:** A motion that the Board of Education recess and reconvene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussions relating to proposed or pending litigation pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) of the Open Meetings Act passed unanimously with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Ms. Diane Porter.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

**Order #2015-014 - Primary Motion Passed:** A motion that the Board of Education adjourn from executive session passed unanimously with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Ms. Diane Porter.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

## **REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Jones called the January 26, 2015, special meeting to order at approximately 7 p.m. and made the following announcement: "At 5:30 p.m. the Board of Education met in executive session for the purpose of discussions relating to proposed or pending litigation pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) of the Open Meetings Act and no action was taken."

The meeting began a traditional moment of silence and greetings from Valley High School Principal Rob Stephenson and District 4 Board Member Chuck Haddaway. The Valley High School Navy Junior Reserves Officer Training Corps presented the colors, District 4 elementary students led the Pledge of Allegiance, and District 4 middle school students read the JCPS Vision Statement.

## **III. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**Order #2015-015 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education approve the attached minutes of the January 10, 2015, special meeting and January 12, 2015, regular meeting. The recommendation passed unanimously with a motion by Ms. Diane Porter and a second by Mr. Chris Brady.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

## **IV. Recognitions and Resolutions**

- A. Recognition of and Student Demonstration of Learning from 5-Star Career Theme High Schools in Board District 4
- B. Recognition of the District's National Board Certified Teachers

**Order #2015-016 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive the recognitions and resolutions for January 26, 2015. The recommendation passed unanimously with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

## **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Donna Hargens thanked Principal Rob Stephenson for hosting tonight's meeting at Valley High School; acknowledged several elected officials and principals in the audience; congratulated the National Board Certified Teachers; and reported on the draft budget, the financial transparency website, and the Professional Growth and Effectiveness System.

### **V. Consent Calendar for January 26, 2015**

- A. Approval of Personnel Actions
- B. Approval of Certified Leaves of Absence
- C. Approval of Organizational Chart
- D. Approval of Field Trip Requests
- E. Approval of Project, BG-1 Form, and Assignment of Architect/Engineer for Boiler Replacement at Louisville Male High School
- F. Approval of Bids and Revised BG-1 Forms
  - 1. Window Replacement Phase III at Frayser Elementary School
  - 2. Window Replacement Phase II at Highland Middle School
- G. Approval of Contract Completion and BG-4 Form for New Access Road at Farnsley Middle School
- H. Approval of Project Closeout and BG-5 Form for HVAC Renovation Phase I at Lassiter Middle School
- I. Approval of Construction Change Orders
- J. Approval of Bid Tabulations, Contract Renewals, and Amendment
- K. Acceptance of Purchase Order Report
- L. Acceptance of Voucher Report
- M. Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- N. Acceptance of Monthly Report of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- O. Acceptance of Unaudited Monthly Financial Reports
- P. Acceptance of Quarterly Report of Investment Performance for Quarter Ended December 31, 2014
- Q. 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 Fund for the Arts

4. Acceptance of Instructional Transformation Grant from the Kentucky Department of Education
5. Acceptance of Carl D. Perkins, Title I, Part C, Career and Technical Education Grant Funds from the Kentucky Department of Education
6. Acceptance of FY2015 Gifted and Talented Funding from the Kentucky Department of Education
7. Acceptance of Walmart Foundation Local Facility Giving Program Grant
- R. Approval of Subscriber Agreement with CLEAR Services and West Publishing Corporation
- S. Approval of Shortened School Day for One Exceptional Child Education Student
- T. Approval of Shortened School Week for One Exceptional Child Education Student
- U. Approval of Request to Rename Fern Creek Traditional High School
- V. Approval of Contracts for Nonresident Pupils for Fiscal Year 2015–16
- W. Approval of 2014–15 Head Start/Early Head Start Corrective Action Plan
- X. Revision of Board Policy: Board Meeting Agenda
- Y. Approval of Student Enrollment Projections for 2015–16
- Z. Approval of School Allocation Standards for Fiscal Year 2015–16
- AA. Review and Examination of General Fund Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2015–16

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

- **V.U. Approval of Request to Rename Fern Creek Traditional High School:** Mr. Brady voiced his support for this request and noted that this process has been in the works for almost two years and has been fully vetted with the school's stakeholders.
- **V.W. Approval of 2014–15 Head Start/Early Head Start Corrective Action Plan:** Mr. Brady voiced his concern about the potential loss of \$14 million in funding and noted that this had not been discussed when the Board approved the Head Start/Early Head Start Corrective Action Plan Part A in August 2014. Ms. Porter advised that the federal government has changed the process and if a deficiency is found, then the grantee must reapply for the funding. Dr. Hargens added that this is not a potential loss of funding that will have to be replaced with other funds. The funding is awarded to the grantee for provision of services, so if the district is not awarded funding, then the district would not provide the services.
- **V.X. Revision of Board Policy: *Board Meeting Agenda*:** Mrs. Duncan expressed concern that the Policy Development Committee was not given the opportunity to discuss the revisions and asked Dr. Hargens to explain the need for the change.
- **V.Y. Approval of Student Enrollment Projections for 2015–16:** Mrs. Duncan requested additional information. Dr. Bob Rodosky came forward to provide information and answer questions. Ms. Porter asked how the district can increase

the number of students served in the Early Childhood program. Mr. Brady asked for clarification concerning capacity and requested that future enrollment projections include trend data and schools grouped by cluster to show available seats per cluster. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

- **V.Z. Approval of School Allocation Standards for Fiscal Year 2015–16:** Mrs. Duncan asked for clarification concerning the allocation of Section 7 funds and requested that this item be voted on separately. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.
- **V.AA. Review and Examination of General Fund Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2015–16:** Mr. Brady commented on the financial transparency website and requested that budget-to-actual and aggregate trend data be included in future budget documents. He also noted that if Administration plans to recommend a four percent tax increase in August, then they need to begin making that case with the community now rather than in August. Ms. Horne requested additional information on the central office facilities. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Chair Jones noted that consent calendar items are routine, non-controversial business-related items that should already have been fully discussed and do not require additional discussion. He asked the Superintendent and Administration to consider this when placing items on the consent calendar.

**Order #2015-017 - Motion Passed:** A motion that the Board of Education approve the Consent Calendar for January 26, 2015, minus Agenda Item V.Z. Approval of School Allocation Standards for Fiscal Year 2015–16 passed unanimously with a motion by Mr. Chuck Haddaway and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

**Order #2015-018 - Motion Passed:** A motion that the Board of Education approve Agenda Item V.Z. Approval of School Allocation Standards for Fiscal Year 2015–16 passed 6–1 with a motion by Ms. Diane Porter and a second by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	No
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

## **VI. Action Items**

There were no action items.

## **VII. Discussion Items**

### **VII.A. Report on Responsive, Differentiated Instruction and Equitable Learning Opportunities**

Dr. Dewey Hensley, chief academic officer; Karen Branham, assistant superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; and Alicia Averette, assistant superintendent for Academic Support; made a presentation and answered Board members' questions regarding strategies and support to differentiate and individualize instruction so that it meets the needs of our diverse student population. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions. Ms. Porter requested information regarding processes in place to support new principals.

**Order #2015-019 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive a report on Strategies 1.1 and 1.2 Responsive, Differentiated Instruction and Equitable Learning Opportunities. The recommendation passed unanimously with a motion by Dr. Lisa Willner and a second by Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

### **VII.B. Annual School Nutrition and Physical Activity Report**

Chief Operations Officer Dr. Michael Raisor made a presentation and answered Board member questions regarding the annual assessment of the district's nutrition and physical activity environment required by KRS 158.856. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions. [Board action follows Agenda Item VII.C.]

### **VII.C. Classified Staffing Report**

Chief Operations Officer Dr. Michael Raisor presented an update and answered Board member questions regarding on classified staffing. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions. Mr. Haddaway requested that the March report on Human Resources include information on the process of feedback given to both classified and certified applicants as well as any timeline involved in the process.

**Order #2015-020 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive a report on classified staffing across the district. The recommendation passed unanimously with a motion by Mr. Chuck Haddaway and a second by Mrs. Stephanie Horne.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

**Order #2015-021 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends that the Board of Education receive the annual assessment of the district's nutrition and physical activity environment required by KRS 158.856. The recommendation passed unanimously with a motion by Mrs. Linda Duncan and a second by Mr. Chris Brady.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

#### **VII.D. 2014–15 Board of Education Discussion Agenda Planning Calendar**

Chair Jones noted that there will be a work session on Head Start/Early Childhood on February 23.

**Order #2015-022 - 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 2014–15 fiscal year. The recommendation passed unanimously with a motion by Mr. Chuck Haddaway and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

#### **VIII. Board Reports and Requests**

- Mr. Brady thanked the state legislators who attended the legislative breakfast at Jeffersontown High School.
- Mrs. Horne reported on the Stage One production of *And in This Corner...Cassius Clay*.

- Mrs. Duncan requested updates on the status of bus monitors and the status of the supply list for 2015–16 and reported on the recent meeting of the School Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability Council (SCAAC).
- Ms. Porter gave a shout-out to two District 1 students who served as student pages at a recent Louisville Metro Council meeting; congratulated Breckinridge-Franklin Elementary School Principal Allyson Vitato, the latest recipient of the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award; congratulated Ed White, founder of the River City Drum Corps and recipient of the 2015 Mayor’s Freedom Award; and thanked the Jefferson County Teachers Association for the opportunity to attend the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dinner.
- Chair Jones commented on the legislative breakfast at Jeffersontown High School; reported on today’s meeting of the Mayor’s Healthy Hometown Movement; and acknowledged Board Member Chuck Haddaway, Principal Rob Stephenson, Central Office staff, and the Valley High School community for organizing and attending tonight’s meeting.

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

There were no speakers this evening.

#### **X. Executive Session (If Needed)**

#### **XI. Adjournment**

**Order #2015-023 - Motion Passed:** A recommendation to adjourn the January 26, 2015, special meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 9:47 p.m. passed unanimously with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Mr. Chuck Haddaway.

Mr. Chris Brady	Yes	Mrs. Linda Duncan	Yes
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

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Chair David A. Jones, Jr.

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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**