



JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 26, 2016

REGULAR meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at VanHoose Education Center, 3332 Newburg Road, Louisville, Kentucky, on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, at 7 p.m.

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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

OTHERS PRESENT

Superintendent Donna Hargens
Francis J. Mellen, Jr., Wyatt Tarrant & Combs LLP
Angie Gilpin, Assistant Secretary to the Board

WORK SESSIONS

- 4:00 p.m. Work Session: Review and Examination of the General Fund Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2016–17, Student Enrollment Projections and School Allocation Standards
- 5:00 p.m. Executive Session: Formative Evaluation of the Superintendent
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Education met in executive session for the purpose of a discussion regarding the formative evaluation of the superintendent.

Order #2016-012 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education convene in Executive Session for the purpose of a discussion regarding the formative evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) of the Open Meetings Act and KRS 156.557 passed with a motion by Dr. Lisa Willner 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 #2016-013 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education adjourn from executive session passed with a motion by Dr. Lisa Willner 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		

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Jones called the meeting to order at approximately 7:04 p.m. and announced that the Board of Education met in Executive Session for the purpose of a discussion regarding the formative evaluation of the superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) of the Open Meetings Act and KRS 156.557 and no action was taken.

The meeting opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Vision Statement.

III. Recognitions and Resolutions

- A.** Recognition of Farmer Elementary School Cheerleaders, Kentucky Association of Pep Organization Sponsors Elementary School State Cheer Competition Winner
- B.** Recognition of Johnson Traditional Middle School, Lead2Feed Student Leadership Program Challenge Winner
- C.** Recognition of the Jefferson County Public School District National Board Certified Teachers

Order #2016-014 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends the Board of Education receive the recognitions for January 26, 2016. The recommendation passed 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. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Order #2016-015 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the January 11, 2016 regular meeting passed with a motion by Dr. Lisa Willner 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		

V. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Dr. Donna Hargens offered her condolences as she acknowledged the passing of education leader Phillip Schlechty. She then introduced the new Chief of Communications Officer Allison Martin. Dr. Hargens thanked Board members for their dedication to the students of JCPS. She congratulated sixteen teachers for earning National Board Certification. She highlighted some of the actions the Board will see as they work toward accomplishing goals of the strategy. Dr. Hargens discussed the new budget process and explained how it is an important part of *Vision 2020*. She announced that JCPS launched a bullying tip-line recently and then ended her report by congratulating Schaffner Traditional Elementary School for being invited to apply for the 2016 National Blue Ribbon School Award.

VI. Action Items

VI.A. Approval of Student Enrollment Projections for 2016–17

Chief of Data Management, Planning, and Program Evaluation, Dr. Dena Dossett presented an overview of the student enrollment projection process. She explained that projections are based upon district and school enrollment history and trends, population changes throughout the county, birth rates, and program capacities. Projections are used by district staff for staffing and budget planning for the upcoming school year. Each Board member had an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.

Order #2016-016 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends the Board of Education approve the student enrollment projections for 2016–17. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. David A. Jones Jr. and a second by Ms. Diane Porter.

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

VI.B. Approval of School Allocation Standards for Fiscal Year 2016–17

Speakers Susan McClain, Nikki Fisher, and Peyton Adelman came forward to address the Board concerning this agenda item, however, none of the three speakers spoke about the proposed allocations. Ms. McClain spoke about reinvestment of school funds, and the need to reduce standardized tests. Ms. Fisher discussed teacher absenteeism and turnover. Student Peyton Adelman invited Board members to shadow a student for a full school day.

Chief Business Officer Tom Hudson and Chief Financial Officer Cordelia Hardin presented the school allocation formula. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment, voice concerns and ask questions.

Mr. Hudson and Ms. Hardin answered questions regarding: budget training for principals; special considerations for non-title I schools with high numbers of free and reduced lunch students; budget proposal changes that were influenced by principals and stakeholders; continuation of advanced programs within schools; and opinions of over-funding schools in previous years.

Mrs. Horne voiced concerns, stating she believes the proposal will harm high-performing schools.

Mr. Brady requested that special consideration is given to the schools recently out of priority status.

Chair Jones expressed concern that the proposal does not meet the expectations he had regarding the amount of money that would be made available.

Board members stated that they were pleased the new plan was created with input from principals and stakeholders.

Order #2016-017 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends the Board of Education approve the attached school allocation standards for fiscal year 2016–17. The recommendation passed with a motion by Ms. Diane Porter and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

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

VII. Information Items

VII.A. Annual School Nutrition and Physical Activity Report

Chief Operations Officer Dr. Mike Raisor presented the Annual School and Physical Activity Report via a video that was produced by students at Pleasure Ridge Park High School. After the Board receives and adopts the report, the district will present the video to all SBDM councils. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions. They agreed that the video was an excellent way to delivery information while showcasing student talent.

Order #2016-018 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends the Board of Education accept the annual assessment of the district’s Nutrition and Physical Activity Report. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Chris Brady and a second by Dr. Lisa Willner.

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. Consent Calendar for January 26, 2016

A. Report of Personnel Actions

B. Certified Leaves of Absence

C. Approval of Field Trip Requests

D. Approval of Projects, BG–1 Forms, and Assignment of Architect/Engineer

1. Paving Package II at Various Schools
2. Paving Package I at Various Schools
3. Concrete Repairs at Doss High School
- E.** Approval of Revised BG–1 Forms
 1. Roof Replacement at Farmington Warehouse
 2. Roof Replacement at Carter Traditional Elementary School
- F.** Approval of Contract Completions and BG-4 Forms
 1. 2013–14 Asbestos & Lead Abatement Maintenance Contract
 2. Roof Replacement at Butler Traditional High School
 3. Roof Replacement at Western Middle School
- G.** Approval of Project Closeout and BG–5 Form for 2015 Paving Package I at Various Schools
- H.** Approval of Construction Change Orders
- I.** Approval of Bid Tabulations, Contract Renewals, and Amendments
- J.** Approval of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- K.** Acceptance of Monthly Report of Professional Services Contracts of \$5,000 or More
- L.** Acceptance of Purchase Order Report
- M.** Acceptance of Voucher Report
- N.** Acceptance of Unaudited Monthly Financial Report
- O.** Acceptance of Quarterly Report of Investment Performance
- P.** Review and Examination of General Fund Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17
- Q.** Acceptance of Offer of Assistance for Annual Debt Service on Bonds
- R.** Acceptance of Donations, 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 the Kentucky Department of Education for the Every 1 Reads Nurses Initiative
 4. Acceptance of Funding from the Kentucky Department of Education for Career and Technical Education
 5. Acceptance of Second Offer of Assistance from the Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission Education Technology Funding Program
 6. Acceptance of Funding from the Kentucky Adult Education, Council on Postsecondary Education
 7. Acceptance of Subgrant from KentuckianaWorks to Fund Customized Adult Education Services at Kentucky Manufacturing Career Center
- S.** Approval of Submission of Grant Application for Family Resource/Youth Services Centers
- T.** Approval of the Tuition Contract with the Anchorage Board of Education
- U.** Approval of Contracts for Nonresident Pupils for Fiscal Year 2016-17
- V.** Approval of Shortened School Day for Two Exceptional Child Education Students

Board members pulled down Agenda Item VIII.P. Review and Examination of General Fund Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2016–17 for a separate vote.

Order #2016-019 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education approve the consent calendar for January 26, 2016, minus Agenda Item VIII.P. passed 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		

Kathryn Wallace came forward as a speaker regarding the budget.

Order #2016-020 - Motion Passed: A motion that the Board of Education approve Agenda Item VIII.P. passed 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	No
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

IX. Board Reports, Requests, and Planning Calendar

Board members had a conversation regarding the planning calendar.

Mr. Brady discussed student enrollment projections and voiced concern regarding the way we calculate program capacity. He stated that he feels like the process of determining capacity is flawed and could be improved. He would like to have this issue on a future agenda as a discussion regarding what it really means or what constitutes program capacity because the state has a different number than JCPS.

Chair Jones stated that his request is taken under advisement, but the issue was already discussed in the earlier work session so it may be a challenge to get it on the calendar.

Mrs. Horne echoed Mr. Brady's concern and stated that the question is not how it is calculated but why it is calculated so differently than the Kentucky Department of Education. She suggested a possible need for change. She advised that we need to look at the process soon in order to prepare for the 2017–18 budget.

Dr. Willner had three requests for the planning calendar: reschedule the Restorative Practices Presentation; an update from the Magnet Steering Committee in a larger context of student assignment; and to establish a Board work group for school wellness soon.

Chair Jones advised Board members that they should be voting on committee policies in two weeks.

Mrs. Duncan requested to see the results of the salary study soon and to schedule the second session with Dr. Alsbury. Mrs. Horne requested to have the Facilities Review added to the planning calendar.

Dr. Willner requested the creation of an easily accessible place for the public to obtain information regarding open committee meetings that take place within the district.

Board members shared comments concerning various activities.

Ms. Porter announced that Caitlin Jennings, choral director at Noe Middle School, was the recipient of the ExCel Award for Classroom Excellence and Educational Leadership. She also reported that Annie Haigler, coordinator for Family Resource/Youth Service Center at Phillis Wheatley Elementary School, was presented with the 2016 ArtsReach Living the Vision Award at the Keepers of the Dream Community Arts Celebration of Dr. King's Vision. She also stated that she had recently attended an event at Central High School which was celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday. She ended her report by thanking the PTA.

Mrs. Duncan discussed an event she attended at Medora Elementary School where the nonprofit group TreesLouisville planted several dozens of trees.

Dr. Willner shared information regarding her participation in a webinar organized by Local Progress and the NEA titled *Restorative Justice in Our Schools*.

Mrs. Horne expressed concern regarding potential state budget cuts with education.

Order #2016-021 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Donna Hargens recommends the Board of Education receive for information a planning calendar outlining discussion agenda items to occur during the 2015–16 fiscal year. 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
Mr. Chuck Haddaway	Yes	Mrs. Stephanie Horne	Yes
Mr. David A. Jones, Jr.	Yes	Ms. Diane Porter	Yes
Dr. Lisa Willner	Yes		

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

David Bloomer came forward to speak regarding the issue of closing Minors Lane Elementary School.

XI. Executive Session (If Needed)

XII. Adjournment

Order #2016-022 - Motion Passed: A motion to adjourn the January 26, 2016, regular meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 9:23 p.m. passed with a motion by Mr. Chuck Haddaway 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		

Chair David A. Jones, Jr.

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**