

# JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of Regular Business Meeting of June 08, 2021

**Regular Business Meeting** of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at VanHoose Education Center, on Tuesday, June 08, 2021, at 6 p.m.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chairwoman Diane Porter Vice-Chair Chris Kolb Mr. James Craig Mrs. Linda Duncan Mr. Joseph Marshall Ms. Sarah McIntosh

Dr. Corrie Shull

Board members Linda Duncan and Joseph Marshall attended the meeting via video-conference.

#### **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Superintendent Martin A. Pollio, Ed.D.
Kevin Brown, General Counsel
Dr. Kermit Belcher, Chief Information Officer
Dr. Carmen Coleman, Chief Academic Officer
Renee Murphy, Chief Communications and Community Relations Officer
Danielle Randle, Principal
Gwen Snow, Principal
Lisa Wathen, Principal
Rebecca Markel, Assistance Principal
Brittany Veech, Academic Instructional Coach

In light of the Governor having declared a state of emergency within the Commonwealth on March 6, 2020, as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak and in compliance with guidance issued by the Executive Branch on March 12 and 16, 2020, regarding the conduct of meetings of state boards and commissions during the emergency period, public attendance at this meeting is permitted, however, it was advised that COVID-related mitigation efforts would require a severely reduced seating capacity in Stewart Auditorium to ensure social distancing.

As a result, all interested members of the public were strongly encouraged to view the meeting virtually, which was available for live public viewing online.

## **REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Porter called the June 08, 2021, Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6 p.m.

#### I. Moment of Silence

## II. The Pledge of Allegiance

#### A. Vision Statement

Ms. McIntosh read the District vision statement.

## III. Recommendation for Approval of Meeting Agenda

**Order #2021-91 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the agenda for June 8, 2021. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Dr. Corrie Shull.

| Mr. James Craig      | Yes |
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| 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 Minutes of Previous Meeting

**Order #2021-92 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the minutes of the May 25, 2021, regular meeting. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

| Mr. James Craig      | Yes |
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| Mrs. Linda Duncan    | Yes |
| Dr. Christopher Kolb | Yes |
| Mr. Joseph Marshall  | Yes |
| Ms. Sarah McIntosh   | Yes |
| Ms. Diane Porter     | Yes |
| Dr. Corrie Shull     | Yes |
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## V. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Pollio congratulated the graduating classes of 2020 and 2021 and highlighted a few of the commencement ceremonies. He then gave a brief overview of the final principals' meeting for the 2020-2021 school year. He concluded by congratulating Jimmy Adams on his retirement and announced Dr. Aimee Green-Webb as the new Chief of Human Resources.

## VI. Persons Requesting to Address the Board (Deferred to Email Due to COVID Attendance Limitations)

Due to the reduction in meeting room capacity due to COVID social distancing requirements, and recognizing many members of our community were not yet ready to attend in-person public meetings, in-person comments to the Board were deferred. Members of the public had the opportunity to voice opinions or express concerns by submitting remarks via email.

#### VII. Action Items

#### **VIII. Information Items**

## A. Acceptance of Report on Using ESSER Funds to Address the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Dr. Pollio presented the update. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Mr. Marshall requested a list of end of life facilities.

Ms. McIntosh wanted to ensure that there is a long-term plan for sustainable technology, and effective communication clarifying the District's priorities and focus on student achievement.

Dr. Shull questioned technology available to schools, funding for summer camps, and funding for facility needs.

Mrs. Duncan wanted to ensure that there is a long-term transportation plan for extended learning. She asked for clarification regarding equitable resources and outcomes for academic achievement. She questioned the District's Chromebook inventory.

Mr. Craig wanted to clarify that the Board will be voting in July on the ESSER II and III funds for the District's spending plan. He stated that he appreciates the goal of getting community input and questioned how they will get feedback with such a quick turnaround.

Dr. Kolb expressed concern with the lack of clarity around the Board's goals. He recommended they develop a process to formalize the Board's top priorities to ensure everyone is on the same page and funding is in line with those things. He questioned how the District would ensure that funding is used in a sustainable way. He then asked about the funding allocation for student enrollment. He discussed resources for schools with high concentrations of poverty and wanted to ensure they make efforts to decrease the number of high-poverty schools.

Chair Porter wanted clarification regrading community outreach and requested a report showing the outcomes of those efforts. She pointed out student populations (ESL, ECE, and FRL) who require extra funding and questioned the plan to help those students. She wanted to understand how the District would keep track of academic accountability. She questioned MAP Growth assessments and stated that she would like the District to be strategic when looking at those types of reports, including information sessions for Board members to ask questions. She requested more information regarding how the District would make improvements with buildings and resources for programs such as the W.E.B. DuBois Academy, Grace M. James Academy of Excellence, and Community Support and Service Centers.

**Order #2021-93 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education receive an update on the current use of the ESSER funding and receive information on the plan for moving forward on determining use of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) ESSER funding. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig 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 |

# B. Acceptance of 2021-22 Student Progression and Promotion Handbooks and the Assessing Learning and Grading Frameworks for First Reading

Dr. Pollio introduced this item. Chief Academic Officer Dr. Carmen Coleman and her team of school leaders provided an overview of the SPP&G revisions. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions. All Board members thanked the team for their work.

Ms. McIntosh suggested they get feedback from middle and high school teachers. She wants to ensure the District provides clear communication to staff and families addressing concerns such as any potential impact on KEES money. She also wants to ensure adequate teacher training and support on standards-based grading; stating that in order for it to work well it must be implemented well.

Mr. Craig clarified that the new standards-based approach will go into effect next school year and asked how the District will get teachers on board and ensure proper implementation. He questioned if the new approach would be implemented differently in magnet and traditional schools than in resides schools. He requested the Board receive updates to monitor and support implementation throughout the school year.

Dr. Kolb questioned the plan for future use of the 100 point grading scale. He agreed that standards based grading is more equitable and asked for more details/examples showing why. He questioned the process to ensure grading consistency across the District. He asked where the standards come from, how to get teacher buy-in, and if this approach makes it easier for students to skip ahead. He questioned if ESSER funds could be utilized to facilitate the transition to the new process.

**Order #2021-94 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education receive the attached revised Elementary, Middle, and High School Student Progression and Promotion Handbooks and the Assessing Learning and Grading Frameworks for the 2021-22 school year for first reading. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Duncan and a second by Mr. James Craig.

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#### IX. Consent Calendar

- A. Report of Certified Leaves
- B. Report of Personnel Actions
- C. Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions
- 1. Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions Diversity, Equity & Poverty
- **2.** Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions Exceptional Child Education
- 3. Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions Operations
- **D.** Recommendation for Approval of Bid and Revised BG-1 Form for Boiler Replacement at Farmer Elementary School
- E. Recommendation for Approval of Revised BG-1 Forms for Change of Funding Source
- F. Recommendation for Approval of Project Closeout and BG-5 Forms
- 1. Recommendation for Approval of Project Closeout and BG-5 Form for Career and Technical Education Program Renovations at Atherton High School
- **2.** Recommendation for Approval of Project Closeout and BG-5 Form for Food Service Phase 39 Various Locations
- **3.** Recommendation for Approval of Project Closeout and BG-5 Form for Window Replacement at Zachary Taylor Elementary School
- **G.** Recommendation for Approval of Utility Easement for Kerrick Elementary School
- **H.** Recommendation for Approval of Competitive Negotiations, Bid Tabulations, Contract Renewal, and Amendment
- 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 April 30, 2021
- L. Acceptance of Donations, Grants, and Funding
- 1. Acceptance of Donations and Small Grants
- **2.** Acceptance of Funds for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 from the Commonwealth of Kentucky Cabinet for Health & Family Services for FRYSC
- 3. Acceptance of Funding from the Jefferson County Public Education Foundation
- 4. Acceptance of Funding from Kentucky Department of Education for The Office of Transition Readiness
- 5. Acceptance of Grant from United Parcel Service, Inc. for The Office of College & Career Readiness
- **6.** Acceptance of Subaward Amendment from Catholic Charities
- 7. Acceptance of FY21 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II State Set-Aside
- M. Recommendation for Approval of Agreements
- 1. Approval of Agreement with Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative (OVEC) Head Start and Rural Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency (KIPDA) First Steps for Kentucky's Intervention System
- 2. Recommendation for Approval of Lease Agreement/Land Swap Renewal with Louisville Metro Government
- 3. Recommendation for Approval of Gift Agreement with Norton Hospitals, Inc. for Athletic Trainers

- 4. Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with TMobile
- 5. Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with TMobile
- **6.** Recommendation for Approval of Data Sharing Agreement with Cengage Learning, Inc.
- 7. Recommendation for Approval of Data Sharing Agreement with Collabra Music
- 8. Recommendation for Approval of Data Sharing Agreement with The DBQ Company
- 9. Recommendation for Approval of Data Sharing Agreement with Edmentum
- 10. Recommendation for Approval of Data Sharing Agreement with Pioneer Valley Educational Press
- 11. Recommendation for Approval of Data Sharing Agreement with Dynamic Ideas
- **12.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with the Jefferson County Teachers Association AIS Stipend Language Correction
- **13.** Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with the Service Employees International Union Local 320
- N. Recommendation for Approval of General Liability and Educators Legal Liability Insurance Policy Renewal
- O. Recommendation for Approval of Workers' Compensation Excess Insurance Policy
- P. Recommendation for Approval of Early Admission into the Primary School Program
- Q. Recommendation to Reinstate School-Based Decision Making (SBDM) Council Authority at Eligible Schools
- R. Recommendation for Approval of 2021-22 Schoolwide Fundraising Activities
- S. Recommendation for Approval of External Support/Booster Organizations
- **T.** Adoption of Board Policies 08.1348 Certified Oral and Written Language Support, 09.4341 Alternative Education Programs, and Board Policies Relating to the Student Support and Behavior Intervention Handbook (Second Reading)

**Order #2021-95 - Motion Passed:** Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the consent calendar for June 8, 2021. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Dr. Christopher Kolb.

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

#### TIE BID

Dr. Kolb drew lots to determine the winner for a tie bid submitted for Item No. 1 on BID ID #7975 – Automotive Repair Parts & Service (One draw for one item). The tie bid was awarded to Cummins Inc. (DBA Cummins Sales & Service).

## X. Board Planning Calendar

There was no discussion.

**Order #2021-96 - 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 Mr. James Craig and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

| Mr. James Craig      | Yes |
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| 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. Committee Reports**

There were no reports.

## **XII. Board Reports**

Dr. Shull congratulation the graduating classes of 2020 and 2021.

Dr. Kolb recognized that June is Pride Month.

Mrs. Duncan discussed outdoor graduation ceremonies and thanked staff for their work. She thanked Mr. Marshall to allowing her to give the official authorization of diplomas at the PRP graduation where her grandson was recognized.

Chair Porter gave a shout out to Academy of Music Production Education and Development (AMPED) and Dave Christopher; she briefly discussed the graduating class. She recognized Demetrus Liggins who was hired as Fayette County's superintendent. She concluded by giving a shout out to Principal Shervita West.

## XIII. Executive Session (If Needed)

## XIV. Action Item (If Needed)

# XV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

**Order #2021-97 - Motion Passed:** A motion to adjourn the June 8, 2021, meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education at 8:25 p.m. passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Ms. Sarah McIntosh.

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

Chairwoman Superintendent/Secretary

THESE ACTIONS, ALONG WITH THE AGENDA ITEMS, MAKE UP THE OFFICIAL MINUTES, WHICH ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY