

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of Special Meeting of May 10, 2022

Special Meeting of the Jefferson County Board of Education held at VanHoose Education Center on Tuesday, May 10, 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

Chair Porter attended the meeting via videoconference.

Todd Stockwell Principal at Doss High School

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Superintendent Martin A. Pollio, Ed.D.
Kevin Brown, General Counsel
Carolyn Callahan, Chief Communications and Community Relations Officer
Dr. Shalonda Foster, Executive Administrator Teaching and Learning
Aimee Green-Webb, Chief of Human Resources
Jill Handley, Principal at Kenwood Elementary School
Cordelia Hardin, Chief Financial Officer
Monica Hunter Principal at Frost Sixth-Grade and Stuart Academy
Carla Kolodey Principal at Byck Elementary School
Dr. John Marshall, Chief Equity Officer
Kim Rice, Principal at The Academy @ Shawnee
De'Nay Speaks, Principal at Cochran Elementary School

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 executive session was for preliminary and formative discussions relating to the 2021–22 Evaluation of the Superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) and KRS 156.557, and to have discussions relating to proposed litigation pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act.

I. Call to Order

Chair Porter called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m. and the Board moved into closed session.

II. Enter into Closed Executive Session for Preliminary and Formative Discussions Regarding the Superintendent's Evaluation and to have Discussions Relating to Proposed Litigation

Order #2022-79 - Motion Passed: A motion to enter executive session to have preliminary and formative discussions relating to the 2021–22 Evaluation of the Superintendent pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) and KRS 156.557, and to have discussions relating to proposed litigation pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Mrs. Linda Duncan.

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

Mr. Marshall and Dr. Shull arrived after the vote was taken.

III. Adjourn from Executive Session

The Board returned to open session at approximately 6:19 p.m.

Order #2022-80 - Motion Passed: A motion to adjourn executive session and return to open session passed with a motion by Dr. Christopher Kolb 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

IV. Possible Consideration of Motion Regarding Proposed Litigation

No action was taken.

V. Adjournment

Order #2022-81 - Motion Passed: A motion to adjourn the special meeting at 6:20 p.m. 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

SPECIAL MEETING

I. Call to Order

Chair Porter called the May 10, 2022, special meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:20 p.m.

II. Recommendation for Approval of Meeting Agenda

Order #2022-82 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the agenda for May 10, 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

III. Recommendation for Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Order #2022-83 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022, meeting. The recommendation passed with a motion by Mr. Joseph Marshall 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. Information Items

A. Update and Discussion of JCPS School Choice Proposal

Dr. Pollio and his leadership team was joined by Dr. Ricky Jones, University of Louisville Graduate Director and Chair, Pan-African Studies Department; to present the update on the School Choice Proposal. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Ms. McIntosh wanted to ensure that the reading and math curriculum would pair well with existing platforms and that they are mindful of the amount of student screen time.

Mrs. Duncan asked for clarification regarding grandfathering students. She questioned supports and options for students who live in the Choice Zone but choose to attend a school outside of the Choice Zone.

Mr. Craig asked for clarification regarding the work around culturally responsive classroom settings and wanted to ensure that there had not been any pushback. He stated that he supports the work and hopes to see the culturally responsive curriculum implemented districtwide. He asked if there would be negative consequences because of fewer middle schools feeding into a high school.

Mr. Marshall questioned the possibility of creating a path forward to expand culturally relevant teaching across the District and being consistent with the message and expectations.

Dr. Shull wanted to ensure that culturally relevant teaching would be implemented in every school throughout the District and questioned training for educators and District leadership. He asked for clarification regarding how the revised feeder patterns would affect/promote students' sense of belonging and align pedagogy. He asked if the EL Education curriculum would be implemented in all schools and requested the data showing it helps reduce achievement gaps. He asked what the District must do to make the student assignment plan work for all students.

Dr. Kolb questioned the District's efforts in recruiting educators from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). He expressed a desire to be more aggressive in efforts to prioritize culturally relevant teaching and recruitment of educators who are capable of teaching these elements. He asked if there would be any issues that might slow down efforts. He wanted to clarify that the JCPS Policy Committee is working on a process of reviewing the effectiveness of the Choice Zone Support Plan and that JCPS would continue to make culturally relevant teaching a very high priority.

Chair Porter asked if they would have an opportunity to hear from principals in each Board member's district. She asked for clarification regarding the proposed feeder patterns and suggested a better explanation for families to understand their options. She asked for data regarding the size of District 1, the number of free and reduced lunches, and the number of students of color. She wanted to ensure that students in District 1 would have the same opportunities, and that the proposed plans would have an immediate impact on improved student outcomes. She wanted assurance that District 1 schools would be more academically successful. She requested data on students' sense of belonging.

Order #2022-84 - 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 Mr. Joseph Marshall 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

B. Discussion of the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23

Dr. Pollio and Cordelia Hardin provided an overview of the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23. Each Board member had an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

Ms. McIntosh clarified the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) funding formula for JCPS. She questioned Transportation costs and the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funds. She asked about the current inventory of personal protective equipment (PPE).

Dr. Kolb expressed frustration with Kentucky State Legislators and funding for the public education system.

Mr. Craig also expressed frustration with Kentucky State Legislators and funding.

Mr. Marshall requested data regarding the amount of funds spent per student and the percentage of ECE, ESL, and FRL students in JCPS compared to the rest of the state.

Ms. Duncan questioned timing of the Tax Rate decision. She asked about funding for technology.

Dr. Shull questioned resources for English as a Second Language (ESL) Programs, Early Childhood Education, and culturally responsive curriculum. He asked for an update on finding a facility for the Elev8 Student Learning Center.

Chair Porter requested information regarding Early Childhood Summer School program funding and the possibility of adding more seats. She questioned the process for approval of funding at the school level. She asked about the timing/process for recommendations on increased school staff.

Order #2022-85 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education receive the update on the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23. The recommendation passed with a motion by Dr. Christopher Kolb 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

V. Consent Calendar

- A. Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions
- **1.** Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions Communications and Community Relations
- 2. Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions Human Resources
- 3. Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions Operations Services
- 4. Recommendation for Approval of Organizational Charts and/or Job Descriptions Teaching and Learning
- B. Recommendation for Approval of Field trip Request
- C. 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
- **D.** Recommendation for Approval of Agreements
- 1. Recommendation for Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Digital Promise Global
- 2. Recommendation for Approval of Amendment to Data Sharing Agreement with SchoolMint
- E. Adoption of Set #9 of Board Policies as Part of the District Policy Review Cycle (Second Reading)

Order #2022-86 - Motion Passed: Superintendent Martin Pollio recommends the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda for May 10, 2022. The recommendation passed with a motion by Dr. Corrie Shull 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

VI. Adjournment

Mr. James Craig

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Order #2022-87 - Motion Passed: A motion to adjourn the special meeting of May 10, 2022, at 8:52 p.m. passed with a motion by Mr. James Craig and a second by Mr. Joseph Marshall.

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

Yes

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