

**August 7, 2017**

The Johnson City Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 7, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Room at the Columbus Powell Center. The following members were in attendance:

Mr. Timothy Belisle, Chair  
Mrs. Kathy Hall, Vice Chair  
Mr. Thomas Hager, Jr., Secretary  
Mr. John Hunter, II  
Mr. Jonathan Kinnick  
Dr. Richard Manahan  
Mrs. Stacie Torbett  
Dr. Steve Barnett, Superintendent of Schools

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING**

- A. Belisle called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.
- B. A moment of silence was held for Ruth Brading and her family.
- C. Students from North Side Elementary School, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- D. Belisle introduced the three observers for the TSBA Board of Distinction, Tyler Engle (Unicoi County), Cindy Luttrell (Greeneville City), and Debbie Shedden (Hawkins County).
- E. Dr. Sharon Pickering, Principal, provided an update on North Side Elementary School and a video regarding the Summer STEAM Camp.
- F. Art work on display during August was provided by North Side students.

**2. RECOGNITIONS**

Dr. Debra Bentley presented the following recognition certificates on behalf of the Board:

- Nancy Miles, South Side teacher, one of nine finalists for 2017-18 Tennessee Teacher of the Year.
- Science Hill graduate Chris Hill recognized for his immediate actions regarding the safety of a summer program student.
- The following teachers participated in the 2017 Eastman MathElites and SciencElites courses held at ETSU in July: Anna Adams (Cherokee), Jennifer King (North Side), Millie Robinson (Towne Acres), Hanna Shields (Woodland), Nicole Cross (Indian Trail), April Mullikin (Liberty Bell), Elizabeth Majors (Fairmont), Melissa Preudhomme (Lake Ridge), Amy Ford (Mountain View), and Rebecca Saunders (South Side).
- Dr. Sharon Pickering, North Side Principal, made a special presentation to Munsey Memorial United Methodist Church.

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

On recommendation by Barnett and on motion by Hall made, seconded by Hunter, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board adopted the agenda as presented.

A copy of the agenda is included with these minutes.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE, DELEGATIONS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- Paula Treece, President of the JC Council of PTA, expressed concern regarding the communication to parents and dismissal times at the schools, especially ITIS, LBMS and SHHS during the Solar Eclipse on August 21.
- Michael Smelser, President of the Johnson City Futbol Club, requested approval from the Board to donate 10 soccer balls to each Elementary School.

5. **REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF**

- A. The Board accepted the *Building Projects Update* as submitted on the agenda by Dr. Roger Walk.
- B. The Board accepted the *Liberty Bell's Cafeteria and Gymnasium Update* as presented by Tim Shaw and Tom Shanks. The Board approved for Shaw and Shanks to proceed with the next phase and development and move forward with City approval. Motion by Manahan, seconded by Hall, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote.
- C. The Board accepted the *Update on Sales Tax – PEP* as submitted on the agenda by Leia Valley.
- Manahan asked that the Property Tax update be included on the September Agenda. Manahan also asked legal counsel to review the Washington County Agreement pertaining to Education Capital Projects and the House Bill 2094 and follow up on the September meeting.
- D. On recommendation by Barnett and on motion by Belisle, seconded by Kinnick, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved the *Financial Report Ending June 30, 2017* as submitted on the agenda by Leia Valley.
- John Hunter commented that he would like to see the average cost savings from having the health clinic.
- E. The Board accepted the *Instructional Technology Update & Foundation STEAM Bus Grant Proposal* as presented by Dr. David Timbs.

Todd Barnett, Principal at SHHS, introduced staff members at SHHS: Josh Carter (9<sup>th</sup> grade Academy, Assistant Principal), George Laoo (Student Services and Activities, Assistant Principal), Dr. Carmen Bryant (Accountability & Blended Learning, Assistant Principal), John Mitten (Assistant Principal) and Dr. Julie Decker (CTE Assistant Principal)

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

***A. Discuss Revised WFTEADA and Bond Proceeds Received***

Johnson City and Washington County have reported to the State the number of non-Washington County residents and the WFTEADA percentage has been revised. The original WFTEADA percentages were Johnson City 47.89% and Washington County 52.11%. The revised percentages are Johnson City 47.11% and Washington County 52.89%. Per the State, "The ADA percentage for Washington County for FY2017-18 will be the percentage previously calculated and sent to Washington County, Johnson City Schools, and the Washington County Trustee.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

On recommendation by Barnett and on motion by Hunter and seconded by Kinnick, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda items as presented:

- A. Board meeting minutes for June 5, 2017, regular session
- B. 401 Liberty Bell Blvd. Property
- C. Agreement between the Johnson City Schools (Southside Elementary) and the Upper East Tennessee Human Development Agency, Inc. to allow the leased premises to be used by the Head Start Program.
- D. Proposed fundraising activities: SHHS (5), LBMS (9), ITIS (7), WD (6), NS (3), and MV (1)
- E. 2017-2018 Supplemental Salary Scale
- F. Revised Hourly Salary Scale for 2017-2018 SY
- G. Request Meal Increase for 2017-2018 SY
- H. Request from Carol McGill, Fairmont, to write check over \$5,000
- I. Request from Todd Barnett, Science Hill, to write seven checks over \$5,000.
- J. Request from Dr. Sharon Pickering, North Side, to transfer funds
- L. Overnight field trips: SHHS (22)
- M. Coordinated School Health Budget 2017-2018 SY

The Board discussion **Consent Agenda Item #7K** - Fee Request from James Jacobs, Indian Trail, for STEAM Academy- Jacobs shared information regarding this program. Hall asked if there was a plan for students on free or reduced lunch. Jacobs responded, yes that he will make sure that all students have an opportunity to be included and would like to expand to six teachers. On recommendation by Barnett and on motion by Hall and seconded by Kinnick, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved the Consent Agenda Item #7K as submitted on the agenda by James Jacobs.

Tom Hager asked about the actually number of students on the recount, regarding the WFTEADA and Bond Proceeds. Barnett responded that 352 students were from Carter County and about 70 Students from Sullivan County. Hall then commented that the net change was about 200 students. Kinnick also commented that it was a domino effect between all the counties.

8. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

There were no recommendations from the Superintendent for this meeting.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. *Vote of Support for Kathy Hall as President-Elect of Tennessee School Boards Association* – On recommendation by Barnett and on motion by Manahan, seconded by Kinnick, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board supported the nomination of Kathy Hall as President-Elect of Tennessee School Boards Association.

10. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

The following information items were shared with the Board: Board Calendar of Events; Personnel Items; Correspondence on Behalf of Board, Donations to: Fairmont (1), Lake Ridge (2), LBMS (2), SHHS (1), Towne Acres (3), ITIS (3), and Cherokee (3), and Proposed fundraising Activities: North Side PTA (4)

11. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

12. **BOARD UPDATES/DISCUSSION**

Board members shared updates and discussed items of interest to the Board/school system.

13. **MEETING DATES**

- The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary

attachment: Copy of Agenda

**Johnson City Board of Education Regular Meeting  
August 07, 2017 6:00 PM  
Central Office**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING**

Public attachment - JCS Beliefs, Mission, Vision, & Goals

**1.A. Call to Order and Welcome**

Tim Belisle, Board Chair

**1.B. Moment of Silence**

Tim Belisle, Board Chair

**1.C. Pledge of allegiance to the flag**

Students from North Side Elementary

**1.D. Opening**

Students from North Side Elementary

**1.E. Art work on display**

Students from North Side Elementary

**1.F. Update on North Side**

Dr. Sharon Pickering, Principal

**2. RECOGNITIONS**

Public attachment - August 2017 Recognitions

Dr. Debra Bentley

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**4. CORRESPONDENCE, DELEGATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Public attachment - Michael Smelser Johnson City Futbol Club

Tim Belisle, Board Chair

**5. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF**

**5.A. Building Projects Update**

Public attachment - BUILDING PROJECTS UPDATE

Dr. Roger Walk

**5.B. Liberty Bell's Cafeteria and Gymnasium Update**

Tim Shaw and Tom Shanks

**5.C. Update on Sales Tax - PEP**

Public attachment - PEP Sales Tax Report

Leia Valley

**5.D. Financial Report Ending June 30, 2017**

Public attachment - 8-7 Complete Financial Report

Leia Valley

**5.E. Technology Update**

Dr. David Timbs & Amy Stover

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**6.A. WFTEADA and Bond Proceeds**

Public attachment - Revised WFTEADA and Bond Proceeds Received

Leia Valley

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

**7.A.** Approval of Minutes

Public attachment - Minutes June 5, 2017 Regular

**7.B.** 401 Liberty Bell Blvd. Property

Public attachment - 401 Liberty Bell Blvd Property

Dr. Steve Barnett

**7.C.** Head Start Contract

Public attachment - HEAD START PROGRAM LEASE AGREEMENT

Dr. Robbie Anderson

**7.D.** Proposed Fundraiser Activity

Public attachment - Proposed Fundraiser Activities

**7.E.** 2017-2018 Supplemental Salary Scale

Public attachment - 2017-2018 Supplemental Salary Scale

Leia Valley

**7.F.** Revised Hourly Salary Scale for 2017-2018 SY

Public attachment - Corrected Hourly Scale for 2017-2018 SY

Leia Valley

**7.G.** Request Meal Increase for 2017-2018 SY

Public attachment - Meal Price Increase for 2017-2018 SY

Karen McGahey

**7.H.** Request from FM to write check over \$5,000

Public attachment - Request from FM to write check over \$5,000

**7.I.** Request from SHHS to write seven checks over \$5,000

Public attachment - Request from SHHS to write checks over \$5,000

**7.J.** Request from North Side to Transfer Funds

Public attachment - North Side's Request to Transfer Funds

**7.K.** ITIS Fee Request for STEAM Academy

Public attachment - ITIS Fee Request for STEAM Academy

**7.L.** Overnight Field Trip Requests

Public attachment - Overnight Field Trip Requests

Public attachment - Overnight Field Trip SHHS Southern Slam

**7.M.** Coordinated School Health Budget 2017-2018 SY.

Public attachment - Coordinated School Health Budget Break Down for 2017-2018

Dr. Greg Wallace

**8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR ACTION**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**9.A.** Kathy Hall TSBA President-Elect Nomination

**10. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**10.A.** BOE Calendar of Events

Public attachment - BOE calendar of events

**10.B.** Personnel Items

Public attachment - August Personnel Items

**10.C.** Correspondence on Behalf of the Board

Public attachment - August 2017 Correspondences

**10.D.** Donations

Public attachment - Donation to Homeless Education Program

Public attachment - Donations

**10.E.** PTA Proposed Fundraiser Activities

Public attachment - Proposed PTA Fundraiser Activity 1-4 NS

**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Public attachment - Board Committee Reports

**12. BOARD UPDATES AND DISCUSSION**

**13. MEETING DATES**

Public attachment - BOARD OF EDUCATION UPCOMING MEETINGS

**14. ADJOURNMENT**