

May 1, 2017

The Johnson City Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 1, 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. Richard Bales, 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.
- C. Students from Lake Ridge Elementary School led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- D. The opening for the meeting was provided by members of the Lake Ridge Chorus
- E. Art work on display during May was provided by Lake Ridge students.
- F. Dr. Josh Simmons, Assistant Principal, provided an update on Lake Ridge Elementary School

2. RECOGNITIONS

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

- Dylan Treece, LBMS, finished 4th in the TN Geographic Bee in Nashville.
- Five SHHS students took the Moody Mega Math Challenge and were rated as *Success with Triage*. Of more than 1200 teams only 200 teams received this ranking on the 14-hour applied mathematics contest. The students are: Marco Garcia, Quin Raudat, Kerry Wang (officially Zeyun Wang), Clay Wheeler, and Will Wireman.
- The inaugural Technology Teachers Leaders' Academy has completed a year of collaboration regarding best practices in instructional technology: Jessica Belcher (W), Chris Bowen (LB), Joe Crabtree (IT), Kaytee Dean Jones (NS), Camille DeMatto (LB), Kiki Garman Diamond (SH), Nicole Havert (LB), Josh Johnson (MV), Maria LaBarbera (LR), Chelsea Lee (NS), Brad McDannald (F), Nancy Miles (SS), Penny Reece (W), Melissa Phillips (SH), Morgan Rankin (SS), Jenny Reed (C), Lisa Swor (SH), Lauren Temm (TA), Jamie White (SH).
- Adrienne Cook, South Side teacher, has been selected to participate in the Tennessee State Library and Archives' Summer Teacher Institute. This June event in Nashville will work with primary sources dealing with Tennessee history.
- Johnson City Public Schools Spring 2017 Award Winners: Yecenia Cigarroa (NS), Chelsea Lee (NS), Brenda Brittain (MV), Karen Bunch (TA), Evan Adams (W), Sarah Taylor (LB), Cara Waddell (C), Brooke Velsor (LB), Leeanne Francis (F), Karen Seaver (MV), Alise Wilson (C).

- SHHS students who attended the TSBA Student Congress on Policies in Education (SCOPE) Conference: Colin Wharton, Olivia McGowan, Abby Knox, and David Thomas. Jessica Schiwitz, teacher, was their chaperone.

On behalf of the Johnson City PTA Council, Paula Treece and Theresa Shaw presented the following certificates:

- Tennessee PTA Contest Winners:
 - Citizenship Essay Competition Winners: Inaaya Luqman Aziz (TA), Yogi Patel (IT), Sarah Nipper (IT), Gunnar Goransson (LB)
 - Safety Poster Competition Winners: Rushil Patel (TA), James McAllister (TA), Rhianna Whitehorn (F), Vedant Patel (TA), Katharine Ning (LB), Ella Turner (IT), Sermyah Mayo, (LB)
 - Reflection Winners: Ansley Reed (IT), Nathan Conner (IT), Jordan Hallman (LB), Sophie Gaudiano (SH), Elizabeth Miller (SH), Elizabeth Treece (SH), Diana Dalton (SH), Jubilee Adkins (W), Annabelle Eanes (W), Evan Luke Brown (C)
 - Dr. Richard Bales – State PTA Outstanding Superintendent’s Award and the Tennessee PTA Life Achievement Award

The Board wished Theresa Shaw a happy birthday and thanked her and Paula Treece for being in attendance and for the work they do with the PTA Council.

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

On recommendation by Bales and on motion by Hall, 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**

There were no correspondence, delegations, or communications for this meeting.

5. **REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF**

- A. The report from SHHS students (Colin Wharton, David Thomas, and Abby Knox) regarding the *SCOPE Conference* was accepted as presented. Olivia McGowan was unable to attend the meeting this evening. The Board thanked the students and their sponsor, Jessica Schiwitz, for their participation in the conference and their update to the Board. The students thanked the Board for allowing them the opportunity to attend the conference.
- B. The Board accepted the *Building Projects Update* as submitted on the agenda by Dave Chupa. An update on the new Liberty Bell gym and dressing areas will be presented to the Board at a later date.
- C. The Board accepted the *Update on Sales Tax – PEP* as submitted on the agenda by Pam Cox.
- D. On recommendation by Bales and on motion by Hall, seconded by Hunter, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved the *Financial Report ending March 31, 2017*, as submitted on the agenda by Pam Cox.

Manahan noted that the county mayor had stated the county can tax Johnson City taxpayers but has no responsibility to those city taxpayers. He further noted that the mayor had mentioned an inter-local agreement between the city and the county. Manahan noted the agreement has never been shared with the city board of education members so they have not been able to review or discuss it to see how it might affect the city schools. The Board asked Ms. Lee Patterson, Board attorney, to see if she can get a copy of the agreement so they can see exactly what has been presented in the document.

- E. The *Instructional Technology Update* was accepted as submitted on the agenda by Dr. David Timbs. The Board heard a brief update from Camille DeMatto (LB) regarding the Technology Teachers Leaders' Academy and thanked the board for their support of the cohort.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business for this meeting.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

On recommendation by Bales and on motion by Manahan, seconded by Hunter, and unanimously passed on a 6-0 vote, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda items as presented:

- A. Board meeting minutes for: April 3, 2017 (special session – 5 year plan), April 3, 2017 (regular session), and April 12, 2017 (special session – budget)
- B. Request from Dr. Sharon Pickering, North Side, to transfer site-based funds
- C. Request from Tammy Pearce, LBMS, to transfer site-based funds
- D. Requests (2) from Melanie Riden-Bacon, SHHS, to transfer site-based funds
- E. Proposed fundraising activities: 3 for TA, 4 for Cherokee, 1 for LBMS, and 1 for SHHS
- F. Request from Mary Nell McIntyre, Cherokee, to amend site-based budget
- G. Transfer application form for 2017-2018 SY
- H. Request from Tammy Pearce, LBMS, to write two (2) checks in excess of \$5,000
- I. Request from Melanie Riden-Bacon, SHHS, to write three (3) checks in excess of \$5,000
- J. Consolidated Federal Application
- K. Application for Special Course at SHHS – State and Local History
- L. Request from James Jacobs, ITIS, to transfer site-based funds
- M. Request from James Jacobs, ITIS, to write a check in excess of \$5,000
- N. Request from Dr. Julia Decker, SH CTC, to transfer site-based funds
- O. Overnight field trip requests: ITIS (1), and SHHS (4)
- P. Request from Dr. Karen Reach, Woodland, to transfer site-based funds
- Q. Request from Jeff Aldridge, SH AC, to transfer site-based funds

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

- A. On recommendation of Bales and on motion by Manahan, seconded by Hunter, and unanimously passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved the Five-Year Strategic Plan (2017-2022) as presented. The Board thanked Dr. Robbie Anderson and all the committee members for the hard work, time, and effort that has gone into this great finished product.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Set Date for Annual School Board Retreat

Belisle asked Dugger to poll the board regarding possible dates for the retreat beginning with the last two weeks in July and the month of August. The retreat could possibly be held on a Friday evening with dinner and then finish up on Saturday morning.

B. Belisle noted this is the last meeting for Mr. Tony Casey, reporter from the *Johnson City Press*. The Board express appreciation for Mr. Casey's reporting of the school system news and wished him well in his future endeavors.

10. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

The following information items were shared with the Board: Board Calendar of Events; Personnel Items; and Donations to: LBMS (3), SHHS (2), Summer 2017 STEAM Camp (1), Towne Acres (1), South Side (1), ITIS (2), Cherokee (1), and Lake Ridge (1).

11. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Board members reported on various committee meetings

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 Monday, June 5, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the JCS Board Room.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

attachments: Copy of Agenda

**Johnson City Board of Education Regular Meeting
May 01, 2017 6:00 PM - AGENDA**

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 Lake Ridge Elementary

1.D. Opening

Students from Lake Ridge Elementary

1.E. Art work on display

Students from Lake Ridge Elementary

1.F. Update on Lake Ridge Elementary School

John Phillips, Principal/Dr. Josh Simmons, Assistant Principal

2. RECOGNITIONS

Public attachment - Recognitions

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

4. CORRESPONDENCE, DELEGATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

5. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF

5.A. Report on SCOPE (Student Congress on Policies in Education) Conference

Students from SHHS who attended the conference: Colin Wharton, Olivia McGowan, Abby Knox, and David Thomas. Jessica Schiwitz, teacher, was their chaperone.

5.B. Building Projects Update

Public attachment - Building Projects Update

Dave Chupa

5.C. Update on Sales Tax - PEP

Public attachment - PEP - Sales Tax Report

Pam Cox

5.D. Financial Report Ending March 31, 2017

Public attachment - Financial Report Ending March 31, 2017

Pam Cox

5.E. Instructional Technology Update

Public attachment - Instructional Technology Update

Dr. David Timbs

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. CONSENT AGENDA

7.A. Approval of Minutes

Public attachment - Minutes for April-03-17 Regular Session

Public attachment - Minutes for April-03-17 Special Session

Public attachment - Minutes for April-12-17 Special Session

7.B. Request from Dr. Sharon Pickering, North Side, to transfer site-based funds

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7.C. Request from Tammy Pearce, LBMS, to transfer site-based funds

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- 7.D.** Requests from Melanie Riden-Bacon, SHHS, to transfer site-based funds
Public attachment - Request from Melanie Riden-Bacon, SHHS, to transfer site-based funds
Public attachment - Request #2 from Melanie Riden-Bacon, SHHS, to transfer site-based funds
- 7.E.** Proposed Fundraising Activities
Public attachment - Proposed Fundraising Activities (3) from Towne Acres
Public attachment - Proposed Fundraising Activities (4) for Cherokee
Public attachment - Proposed Fundraising Activity #1 from LBMS
Public attachment - Proposed Fundraising Activity #1 from SHHS
- 7.F.** Cherokee Budget Amendment to Site-Based Funds
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- 7.G.** Transfer Application Form for 2017-2018 SY
Public attachment - Transfer Application Form for 2017-18 SY
- 7.H.** Request from Tammy Pearce, LBMS, to write two (2) checks in excess of \$5,000
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- 7.J.** Consolidated Federal Application
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Dr. Robbie Anderson
- 7.K.** Application for Special Course at SHHS - State and Local History
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Dr. Roger Walk
- 7.L.** Request from James Jacobs, ITIS, to transfer site-based funds
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- 7.M.** Request from James Jacobs, ITIS, to write a check in excess of \$5,000
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Public attachment - Request #2 from James Jacobs, ITIS, to write a check in excess of \$5,000
- 7.N.** Request from Dr. Julia Decker, CTC, to transfer site-based funds
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- 7.O.** Overnight Field Trip Requests
Public attachment - Overnight Field Trip Request #1 from ITIS
Public attachment - Overnight Field Trip Request #1-4 from SHHS
- 7.P.** Request from Dr. Karen Reach, Woodland, to transfer site-based funds
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- 7.Q.** Request from Jeff Aldridge, AC, to transfer site-based funds
Public attachment - Request from Jeff Aldridge, AC, to transfer site-based funds

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR ACTION

- 8.A.** Recommendation Regarding the Five Year Strategic Plan (2017-2022)
Public attachment - Five Year Strategic Plan (2017-2022)
Dr. Richard Bales

9. NEW BUSINESS

- 9.A.** Set Date for Annual School Board Retreat
Tim Belisle, Board Chair

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 10.A.** BOE Calendar of Events
Public attachment - BOE Calendar of Events
- 10.B.** Personnel Items
Public attachment - Personnel Items

10.C. Donations

Public attachment - Donation #1 to LBMS

Public attachment - Donation #2 to LBMS

Public attachment - Donation #3 to LBMS

Public attachment - Donation #1 to SHHS Robotics

Public attachment - Donation #1 to Summer 2017 STEAM Camp at NS

Public attachment - Donation #1 to Towne Acres

Public attachment - Donation #1 to South Side

Public attachment - Donation #1 to ITIS

Public attachment - Donation #2 to ITIS

Public attachment - Donation #1 to Cherokee

Public attachment - Donation #1 to Lake Ridge

Public attachment - Donation #2 to SHHS

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public attachment - BOE Committee Reports

12. BOARD UPDATES AND DISCUSSION

13. MEETING DATES

Public attachment - BOE Upcoming Meetings

14. ADJOURNMENT