

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 30, 2014 – 3:00 P.M.
PATRIOT ACADEMY**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Jarnigan who asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence. Board members present were Chairman Jarnigan, Vice Chairman Jim Vines, Judy Cavanah, Anne Marie Potts and Randall Bradley. Board members Ralph Lowery and Jonathan Rogers were absent. Dr. Charles Edmonds, Director of Schools and Secretary to the Board, was also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Commissioner Russell Turner led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Chairman Vines requested that painting of the gym bleachers at JCHS be added under New Business. Chairman Jarnigan requested that Lewis Group invoices for the interior renovations for Building 8 be added under New Business.

Upon motion by Vice Chairman Vines and second by Anne Marie Potts, the board voted 5-0 to approve the agenda with the above additions. (see attached)

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Upon motion by Judy Cavanah and second by Vice Chairman Vines, the board voted 5-0 to approve the consent agenda items as submitted. (see attached)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no items for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment to Lewis Group for Interior Renovations for Building 8

Darrell Helton, County Finance Director, stated that after reviewing several invoices from The Lewis Group for the interior renovations for Building 8, he could not find in the minutes where the source of revenue was identified. He pointed out that the invoices had been approved earlier by the school board. He further stated that the board intended to pay these

New Business – Payment to The Lewis Group - continued

invoices from the capital outlay note but it was not in the minutes. He asked that the board approve the payment of the invoices totaling \$128,531.11 so they could be processed before the end of the year. He pointed out that out of these figures, \$34,491.00 should be covered by insurance and reimbursed on the collapsed part of Building 8. The figure of \$25,200.00 is being asked for in the lawsuit for the structural modification expenses.

After some discussion, Vice Chairman Vines made the motion to pay The Lewis Group invoices totaling \$128,531.00 from the capital outlay note with the understanding that if insurance funds are collected they will be placed back in the capital outlay fund. Board member Potts seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0

2. Building 8 – Guaranteed Maximum Price

Dr. Edmonds reported that bids had been opened for the restoration and renovation of Building 8. Rentenbach presented a guaranteed maximum price of \$3,605,811.00 based on competitive pricing.

Dr. Edmonds recommended that the Board of Education approve the restoration and renovation of Building 8 at Jefferson County High School according to plans and specifications prepared by The Lewis Group architects and approved by the State Fire Marshal's office. Said restoration and renovation to be performed by Rentenbach Constructors as a Construction Manager At-Risk at a guaranteed maximum price of \$3,605,811.00 to be authorized by a change order to the existing contract between Rentenbach Constructors and Jefferson County Board of Education for the renovation and additions to Jefferson County High School currently in progress. The foregoing being contingent upon the appropriation of funds by the Jefferson County Commission.

Vice Chairman Vines made the motion to accept Dr. Edmonds recommendation as stated above. Board member Bradley seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Edmonds further recommended that the Board of Education authorize him to request from the County Commission the unfunded total project cost of \$2,763,754.60 as specified in the Building 8 restoration and renovation costs and funding worksheet dated December 29, 2014, so that work may promptly begin to provide the facility needed to properly educate Jefferson County's career and technical education students.

New Business – Building 8 - continued

Vice Chairman Vines made the motion to accept Dr. Edmonds second recommendation as stated above to request from County Commission the unfunded total project cost of \$2,763,754.60. Board member Bradley seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

RECESS

The school board recessed at this time in order for County Commission to meet regarding Building 8.

RECONVENE

The school board reconvened their meeting at 5:15 p.m. Board member Cavanah left the meeting after the recess.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION – DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

1. Each board member received a copy of the current financial reports.
2. Dr. Edmonds updated the board on the Patriot Academy balance totaling \$117,878.34. He commented that they had been working with the highway director regarding the in and out turn lanes. He pointed out that they would have that to the board as soon as possible.

Board member Potts requested that the minutes be researched in order to find out when either the county commission or board requested to borrow extra money for the Patriot Academy in order to cover the Davis Bacon Act.

CONTINUED NEW BUSINESS

3. Approval – General Budget Amendment #7, Federal Budget Amendment #7, Food Service Budget Amendment #2

Upon motion by Vice Chairman Vines and second by Randall Bradley, the board voted 4-0 to approve the above budget amendments as submitted. (see attached)

New Business - continued

4. Approval – Schools Internal Audit – McFarland and Gann

Upon motion by Vice Chairman Vines and second by Anne Marie Potts, the board voted 4-0 to approve internal audit services for Jefferson County Schools and cafeterias for the year ended June 30, 2015 in the amount of \$16,000. The amount is unchanged from the year ended June 30, 2014.

5. Approval – Resolution No. 2014-22 – Declare Surplus Property – Student Nutrition Department and Central Office

Upon motion by Vice Chairman Vines and second by Randall Bradley, the board voted 4-0 to approve Resolution No. 2014-22 as submitted. (see attached)

6. Chairman Jarnigan commented on the JCHS newly renovated gym. He pointed out that a bid had been received to spray paint the upper bleachers in order to match the newly installed lower bleachers. The amount of the bid submitted was \$6,100. Mr. Jarnigan pointed out that money was available through the maintenance department. Mr. Jarnigan recommended that the board give the maintenance department the authority to paint the upper bleachers in the JCHS gym. He stated that a dedication was scheduled for January 13, 2015 at the first home basketball game.

Board member Potts commented for the record that she was glad that the board had been asked to vote on a capital improvement where they had not voted on the improvement of adding the gym floor or the current bleachers. She stated that she hoped this was a sign that from now on any capital improvements at any school would be addressed by the board first.

Upon motion by Randall Bradley and second by Vice Chairman Vines, the board voted 4-0 to give the maintenance department the authority to paint the upper bleachers in the JCHS gym in the amount of \$6,100.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Board Policies for Review and Adoption (Second Reading) **1.704 Charter Schools, 5.111 Utilization of Career Level Educators-Needs to be rescinded, 5.112 Extended Contracts, 2.806 Bids and Quotations, 2.808 Purchase Orders & Contracts, 5.110 Compensation Guides & Contracts**

Upon motion by Anne Marie Potts and second by Vice Chairman Vines, the board voted unanimously to approve the above policies on second and final reading. (see attached)

ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Bill Jarnigan, Chairman

Dr. Charles Edmonds, Director of Schools &
Secretary to the Board

Date

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