

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 27, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.
PATRIOT ACADEMY**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Vines who then asked everyone to stand for a moment of silence. Board members present were Chairman Vines, Vice Chairman Bill Jarnigan, Denise Fair, Anne Marie Potts, Dusty Cox, Randall Bradley and Maurice Solomon. Dr. Charles Edmonds, Director of Schools and Secretary to the Board, was also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board member Bradley led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Vines added the Building 8 lawsuit to be reported by Albert Harb, legal counsel and a report on capital projects to the agenda.

Upon motion by Maurice Solomon and second by Dusty Cox, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the agenda with the additions. (attached)

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Anne Marie Potts and second by Dusty Cox, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the consent agenda as submitted. (attached)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no items for discussion.

REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL

Mr. Albert Harb, legal counsel, addressed the board regarding the lawsuit and trial between Traveler's Insurance Co. and the school system in regards to the collapsed roof of Building 8. He pointed out the judge ruled against the school system. He stated the options were to do nothing or to appeal the case. Mr. Harb stated that his recommendation was to appeal the case. He pointed out the appeal time would be between 6-8 months. He stated a decision would be made by the Eastern section of the Court of Appeals which is a panel of three judges in Knoxville. He asked the board to approve the appeal.

Legal Counsel Report - continued

Board member Solomon made the motion to move forward in appealing the ruling on the collapsed roof of Building 8 decision as strongly recommended by legal counsel. Board member Potts seconded the motion.

Board member Potts thanked Mr. Harb for all his hard work on the case. She commented she thought it was a good decision to move forward with the appeal.

The motion passed unanimously 7-0.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION – DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

1. Each board member received a copy of the current financial reports.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval – Budget Amendments

Langdon Potts, County Finance Director, went over the Budget Amendments with the Board. He stated the budget amendments did not affect the fund balance.

- (a) 2016-2017 General Purpose Fund 141 Budget Amendment #18

Mr. Potts pointed out under #12 Legal Services should be \$60,000 instead of \$45,000.

Upon motion by Randall Bradley and second by Dusty Cox, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the 2016-2017 General Purpose Fund 141 Budget Amendment #18 as submitted with the above correction. (attached)

- (b) 2016-2017 Federal Purpose Fund 142 Budget Amendment #16

Upon motion by Anne Marie Potts and second by Randall Bradley, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the 2016-2017 Federal Purpose Fund 142 Budget Amendment #16 as submitted. (attached)

Budget Amendments - continued

- (c) 2016-2017 Food Service Fund 143 Budget Amendment #4

Upon motion by Maurice Solomon and second by Dusty Cox, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the 2016-2017 Food Service Fund 143 Budget Amendment #4 as submitted. (attached)

- (d) 2017-2018 General Purpose Fund 141 Budget Amendment #1

Upon motion by Dusty Cox and second by Denise Fair, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the 2017-2018 General Purpose Fund 141 Budget Amendment #1 as submitted. (attached)

- (e) 2017-2018 Federal Purpose Fund 142 Budget Amendment #1

Upon motion by Anne Marie Potts and second by Dusty Cox, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the 2017-2018 Federal Purpose Fund 142 Budget Amendment #1 as submitted. (attached)

2. Approval – Use of Jefferson County Fairgrounds

Upon motion by Vice Chairman Jarnigan and second by Denise Fair, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the use of the Jefferson County Fairground by Carson-Newman University for Boot Scott on September 1, 2017.

3. Approval – Tennessee School Systems for Equity (TSSE) Membership Dues for the 2017-2018 school year

Upon motion by Vice Chairman Jarnigan and second by Anne Marie Potts, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the Tennessee School Systems for Equity membership dues in the amount of \$4,500 for the 2017-2018 school year.

4. \$200,000 Capital Outlay

Board member Potts pointed out this is the \$200,000 in the 2017-2018 budget.

Ms. Potts made the motion to use the \$200,000 for the Jefferson County High School Baseball Stadium refurbishing and to include seating in the stadium that had been discussed back in the fall of 2016. Board member Cox seconded the motion

\$200,000 Capital Outlay – continued

Board member Potts commended the JCHS Baseball team on their trip to the state this year.

The motion passed unanimously 7-0.

5. Each board member received a report and update on capital projects. Michael Phagan went over the report. He reported the entire parking lot at Jefferson County High School would be paved including the band pad. Mr. Phagan answered questions from the board regarding security system installation, window replacements and completing the White Pine School project. (attached)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Policy Changes for Review and Adoption (**Second Reading**) – **3.600 Insurance Management, 4.209 Alternative Credit, 5.2001 Service Incentive, 5.302 Sick Leave, 5.500 Discrimination/Harassment of Employees, 5.501 Complaints and Grievances, 6.316 Suspension Expulsion, 6.409 Child Abuse Reporting, 6.415 Student Suicide Prevention, 6.505 Students in Foster Care, Voluntary Pre-K (New Policy)**

Upon motion by Maurice Solomon and second by Randall Bradley, the board voted unanimously 7-0 to approve the above board policies on second and final reading. (attached)

ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Jim Vines, Chairman

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

Date

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