

May 5, 2014

The Jasper City Board of Education met in regular session on May 5, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. in the Maddox Middle School theater. Members present were Chairperson Rene Simmons, Willie Moore III, Walker Wilson, Roy Beall and Teresa Sherer. Superintendent Robert Sparkman was also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Simmons. The agenda was unanimously approved on a motion by Mrs. Sherer and a second by Mr. Wilson. The minutes of the March 17, 2014, board meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Wilson and a second by Mr. Moore.

The financial report and bank reconciliations were given by the Jasper City Schools Superintendent Dr. Robert Sparkman, in the absence of Chief School Financial Officer, Monique Rector. The financial report is for the month ending March 31, 2014. Dr. Sparkman reported a balance in the General Fund of \$6,724,262.97 as of March 31, 2014. The balance in the Special Revenue Fund as of March 31, 2014 of \$1,725,630.55. Dr. Sparkman also presented the monthly bank reconciliations for the general fund, payroll, CNP and building fund as well as presenting a chart with sales tax comparisons for March 2014. Graphs and charts were presented to show city and county revenue collections. A check register was also provided showing disbursements for the month. On a motion given by Mr. Beall and a second by Mrs. Sherer, the financial reports for the month of March 2014 were unanimously approved.

Dr. Sparkman requested adoption of a motion to approve the architectural contract for the repaving project at T.R. Simmons Elementary and Maddox Middle School. This contract was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Moore and a second by Mr. Beall.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the bids for the site mass grading package for the new Walker High School. Dr. Sparkman requested adoption of a motion to approve the low bid from Carcel & G Construction of Hanceville, AL. This motion was made by Mr. Moore with a second by Mrs. Sherer. The motion carried.

Superintendent Sparkman requested adoption of a motion to approve the following overnight field trips:

- Walker High School baseball team – Friday April 18th traveling to Springville AL to participate in the 1st round playoff game.
- Walker High School track & field – Friday May 2nd to Saturday May 3rd traveling to Gulf Shores AL to participate in the Alabama High School State Track Meet.

A motion was made by Mrs. Sherer to approve the overnight trips with a second being given by Mr. Wilson. The Board voted yes unanimously.

Dr. Sparkman requested adoption of a motion to approve the disposal of surplus items from the district. These items are obsolete or items that cannot be repaired such as computer equipment and classroom equipment. Another item to be surplus is a Toro reel mower from Walker High School. This item will be purchased by the company that is replacing this equipment. A motion was made by Mrs. Sherer and a second by Mr. Beall to approve this disposal. The motion carried.

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A motion to approve the personnel report for the month of April was made by Mr. Wilson with a second being given by Mr. Beall. The motion carried with a yes vote by Mrs. Simmons, Mr. Moore, Mr. Beall and Mr. Wilson. Mrs. Sherer abstained from voting.

In other items on the Superintendent's report, Dr. Sparkman recognized the newly hired employees to the district and introduced them to the Board.

Dr. Sparkman also recognized the winner from Walker High School of the regional Bryant-Jordan Scholar Athlete award.

Also in recognition of their accomplishments, Dr. Martha LaCroix presented 18 students from Walker High School with plaques for scoring 30 and above on the ACT test.

Ms. Kim Davis, Career Technical Director at Walker High School addressed the Board with the update on the Industrial Maintenance Technical Training that is in conjunction with Beville State Community College. Ms. Davis reported the student growth in this area and the upcoming classes and trainings that will be taking place.

Dr. Jean Lollar, Assistant Superintendent and Mrs. Susan Chandler, District Technology Coordinator, co-presented a slideshow update to the Franklin Covey Seven Habits training series that has taken place within each school in the district. The elementary levels are participating in *The Leader in Me*, middle and high school students are using the *Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens*, and district personnel is involved in the *Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*.

With no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned to a Board work session on strategic planning.