October 27, 2014

The Jasper City Board of Education met in regular session on October 27, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Central Office. Members present were Chairperson Willie Moore, Teresa Sherer, Walker Wilson, Steven Gillott and Mary Beth Barber.

Chairperson Willie Moore called the meeting to order with the first item to be approved being the agenda. On a motion by Mr. Gillott and a second by Mr. Wilson, the agenda was unanimously approved.

Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2014 and October 6, 2014 meetings of the Board and a second was given by Ms. Barber. The motion carried.

On a motion by Mr. Wilson and a second by Mrs. Sherer, the personnel report was unanimously approved.

Data presentations were given by Walker High School principal Gary Boling and Maddox Middle School principal Patsy Stricklin. Mr. Boling spoke to the Board of the school's improvement goals including the creation of student portfolios which will track student learning and growth. Mr. Boling also presented data of rising enrollment numbers, which he stated makes the expansion of the new Walker High School a much needed goal. Mr. Boling also spoke of the need for more career technical programs in the city and county.

Mrs. Patsy Stricklin gave a report to the Board addressing the goals for improving special education, general instruction and the importance of raising the ACT Aspire test scores and math scores.

Dr. Jean Lollar presented the AdvancED External Review Report. The AdvancED team was in the Jasper City School district in February 2014 and after monitoring the schools, speaking with parents, students, administrators, teachers and community stakeholders, presented a report with their findings, required actions, a progress report, as well as opportunities for improvement. (see attached report).

A renewal presentation for the Walker High School Alabama Access to Higher Education Grant was given by Ronica Raines from Bevill State Community College and Jolei Higgins, counselor at Walker High School. This grant makes it possible for students to visit colleges in the state for possible admission upon graduation.

Superintendent Ann Jackson presented the Board with the first reading of the Career Technical School Manual. Updates have been made to this manual. The second reading will be at the next meeting of the Board in November 2014.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the Alabama Education Association representatives for the District. These representatives are: Stacy Flanary – Memorial Park Elementary, Patti Kilpatrick – West Jasper Elementary, and Jeanene Mullins – UniServ Director for District 11. On a motion by Mrs. Sherer and a second by Mrs. Barber, the motion carried.

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Superintendent Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the disposal of surplus items in the District. A motion to approve this disposal was made by Mrs. Sherer and a second given by Mr. Gillott. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Dr. Jackson to approve the overnight travel for field trips requested by Walker High School. The following trips were approved:

- Walker HS volleyball team and coaches traveling to Huntsville for the 6-A Regional Tournament on Friday Oct. 24th and Saturday, October 25th.
- Walker HS wrestling team and coaches traveling to Arab for the Arab Invitational Meet on Friday, January 9th and Saturday, January 10th, 2015.

A motion was given by Mrs. Barber to approve the overnight field trips with a second given by Mrs. Sherer. The motion carried.

Dr. Jackson requested adoption of a motion to approve the alternates for the New Walker High School construction project. Alternates number 1 (kitchen - \$644,645.00), 3 (concession - \$42,832.00), and 5 (classroom - \$1,290,000.00) were unanimously approved by the Board on a motion by Mr. Gillott and a second by Mrs. Sherer.

Nominations were taken for the position of delegate to the Alabama Association of School Boards Annual Assembly. This meeting will take place on December 3-5, 2014 in Birmingham AL. A nomination to approve Willie Moore as delegate was made by Mr. Gillott. The nomination was given a second by Mrs. Barber. The motion carred with Mr. Moore abstaining from voting. Mr. Walker Wilson was nominated by Teresa Sherer to be an alternate delegate with a second by Mrs. Barber. That motion also carried with Mr. Wilson abstaining from voting.

Dr. Jackson requested adoption of a motion to approve a resolution requesting a date from the Walker County Commission for the purpose of renewing the advalorem tax. A motion was made by Mr. Gillott with a second by Mrs. Barber. The motion was unanimously approved.

Superintendent Jackson requested adoption of a motion to approve the resolution by Jasper City Schools to support Amendment 4 in the upcoming November 4, 2014 election. (see attached) The motion was given by Mrs. Sherer with a second by Mr. Gillott. The motion carried.

Dr. Jackson requested adoption of a motion to approve a letter for facility usage termination. A motion was made by Mr. Wilson and a second given by Mr. Gillott. The motion was approved.

In the last item on the agenda, Dr. Jackson requested adoption of a motion to approve the consortium bids for the Child Nutrition Program. These bids were for bread products as well as small wares. The bread bid is for Flowers Bakery and the small wares bid is for Dixie Store Fixtures. The motion was unanimously approved on a motion by Mrs. Sherer and a second by Mrs. Barber.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned to work session.