

October 26, 2020

The Jasper City Board of Education met on October 26, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at the JHS Library – Small Group Room as well as via Zoom. Members present were Willie Moore, Walker Wilson, Scott Thornley Teresa Sherer, and Mary Beth Barber. Superintendent Dr. Ann Jackson was also in attendance.

Chairperson Willie Moore called the meeting to order with the first item to be approved being the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Teresa Sherer and a second by Mary Beth Barber. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2020 executive session board meeting and the September 28, 2020 regular board meeting was given by Walker Wilson and a second by Teresa Sherer. The motion carried.

The Superintendent recommended adoption of a motion to approve the following personnel actions:

1. Approve the retirement of Freda Earnest as payroll/bookkeeper, effective December 1, 2020.
2. Approve the employment of Jonathan Holladay as utility bus driver for the district, effective October 27, 2020.
3. Approve the FMLA leave of absence for Kimberly Rice as 6th grade teacher at Maddox Intermediate School, effective September 25, 2020 through March 5, 2021.
4. Approve the FMLA leave of absence for Christi Ballard as 7th grade teacher at Jasper Jr. High School, effective October 8, 2020 through October 22, 2020.
5. Approve the resignation of Tyler Dillard as general aide for the district, effective October 8, 2020.
6. Approve the resignation of Teresa Sizemore as part-time interventionist at T.R. Simmons Elementary School, effective October 15, 2020.
7. Approve the resignation of Jill Jones as 5th grade teacher at Maddox Intermediate School, effective at the end of business day on October 30, 2020.
8. Approve the leave of absence for Mary Claire Williams as 2nd grade teacher at Memorial Park Elementary School tentatively effective November 30, 2020 and returning February 16, 2021.

A motion to approve the personnel report was made by Mary Beth Barber, a second by Walker Wilson, and the motion carried.

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Dr. Ann Jackson recognized Mrs. Dionne Nelson's accomplishment in her completion of LETRS Training. Mrs. Nelson was not present.

Dr. Jackson called upon Mrs. Meagan Fields, principal of T.R. Simmons Elementary School, followed by Mr. Eric Rigsby, principal at Memorial Park Elementary School, to present their CIP (continuous improvement plan). The Board expressed appreciation for the presentations.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the change orders to the track facility as follows: change order #01, change order #008, change order #0010, & change order #0011. A motion to approve the change orders as presented was given by Walker Wilson, a second by Mary Beth Barber, and the motion carried.

Dr. Ann Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the salary schedule amendment of the substitute bus driver rate of pay. A motion to approve the salary schedule amendment was given by Mary Beth Barber, a second by Teresa Sherer, and the motion carried.

Superintendent Dr. Ann Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the bank reconciliations for August 2020 as presented. A motion to approve the bank reconciliations was given by Teresa Sherer, a second by Walker Wilson, and the motion carried.

Dr. Jackson presented the Board with enrollment data for the first nine weeks and advised approximately 15% of our total students were remote learners, however that number seems to be decreasing.

Lastly, Dr. Ann Jackson presented Mary Beth Barber with a certificate for her achievement of AASB School Board Member Academy Level 3.

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