

## **August 29, 2016**

The Jasper City Board of Education met in regular session on August 29, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Central Office conference room. Members present were Chairperson Willie Moore, Teresa Sherer, Walker Wilson, Scott Thornley and Mary Beth Barber. Superintendent Dr. Ann Jackson was also in attendance.

A call to order was made by Mr. Willie Moore, Chairman of the Board. A motion to approve the agenda for the August 29, 2016 meeting of the Board was made by Scott Thornley with a second by Teresa Sherer. The motion carried.

The minutes of the July 25, 2016, August 3, 2016 and August 15, 2016 board meetings were unanimously approved by Teresa Sherer with a second by Mary Beth Barber.

The first item on the Superintendent's Report was the presentation of the 5-Year Capital Plan for the District. This plan outlines school building and technology upgrades from 2016 to 2021.

These plans include the following:

- The new Jasper High School (2017)
- Technology Upgrades (2017)
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- Maddox Middle School Roofing Project (2018)
- T.R. Simmons Elementary School Classroom Addition (2019)
- Technology Upgrades (2019)
- Memorial Park Elementary School Classroom Addition (2019)
- Relocation of Central Office (2020)
- Technology Upgrades (2020)
- Technology Upgrades (2021)

A motion to accept the 5-Year Capital Plan was made by Walker Wilson with a second by Scott Thornley. The motion carried.

Dr. Jackson recommended that the Board approve weekly pep rallies on the square in downtown Jasper. With a motion by Mary Beth Barber and a second by Teresa Sherer, the motion was unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the personnel report was given by Walker Wilson with a second by Teresa Sherer. The motion was unanimously approved.

Superintendent Jackson presented the Board with District informational highlights such as:

- Receipt of a grant from the Daniel Foundation in the amount of \$25,000.00 to be applied to the arts program and to replace musical instruments at Maddox Middle School.
- Receipt of a grant from Alabama Roots in the amount of \$1,000.00 to plant trees at the new high school.
- Erin's Law Training given to all employees of the Jasper City Schools. This training is to highlight the warning signs of child sex abuse and physical abuse so that adults in the school system can inform authorities of any signs of abuse in a student.

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- Jasper Men's Chorale to open at the new high school on December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- Jasper Athletic Arts to perform *The Nutcracker* at the new high school after Men's Chorale.
- Tucker Jones provided a structural report on the west bleachers at the high school. Most maintenance will be provided by our in-house maintenance department.
- Trent Hall from Hoar Program Management provided an update on the new high school construction project. He reported a completion date on the main building to be on schedule for September 28, 2016.

Chief School Financial Officer, Monique Rector, presented the Board with financial statements for the month of July 2016. Mrs. Rector reported an ending balance for the General Fund in July of \$7,351,722.06. The Special Revenue Fund was showing a balance in July 2016 of \$1,666,879.07. Capital Projects Fund was showing a balance of \$3,253,024.44 for July. Sales tax figures for the one month period (city and county) were given as well as bank reconciliations from the district and each school. A motion to approve the financial report for July 2016 was given by Walker Wilson with a second by Teresa Sherer. The motion carried.

The first of two public hearings for the approval of the 2016-2017 budget for the District was given during this meeting. Monique Rector, Chief School Financial Officer, gave a brief highlight to items listed on the proposed budget. A second public hearing has been scheduled for September 8, 2016 at 7:15 am. to approve the final budget.

Superintendent Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the Title II-A Class Size Reduction Funds for FY2017. These funds are used to employ a kindergarten teacher at Memorial Park Elementary School to lower the student/teacher ratio from 28:1 to 21:1. The motion was unanimously passed on a motion by Scott Thornley and a second by Mary Beth Barber.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the purchase of science textbooks that are on the outside state adoption list from the ALSDE. These textbooks and eBook were requested by the science chair at Walker High School for use in the 2016-2017 school year. On a motion by Mary Beth Barber and a second by Teresa Sherer, the motion was unanimously passed.

Superintendent Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the disposal of surplus equipment in the District. A motion was made by Teresa Sherer with a second by Scott Thornley. The motion carried.

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

