

**JEFFERSON CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Dennis Nickelson at 6:00 p.m. at the Board of Education building, 315 East Dunklin. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board. President Nickelson recognized the Character*plus*® trait for February – honesty, the art work displayed by Thorpe Gordon and Pioneer Trail Elementary students, read the District’s mission statement, the district’s areas of focus, and reviewed the board’s responsibility as to the foundational principles of effective governance. Roll Call was taken with the following Board members present: Joy Sweeney, John Ruth, Doug Whitehead, Dennis Nickelson, Steve Bruce, Alan Mudd, and Ken Theroff. All members were present and a quorum was established.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was presented by Steve Bruce and a second by Alan Mudd to move Agenda item VII to be presented along with item IX. A. and to approve the Amended Agenda. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes–7. Nays–None. Abstentions–None. Absent–None.

**RECOGNITIONS**

The Board recognized the students and staff for their contributions to the United Way, Honor Flight, and Wreaths for Heroes fundraisers.

**OPEN FORUM**

David Ganey spoke both as a parent and as a representative of MNEA and High School Senior George Tharp spoke to the board concerning the change to a 10-block schedule at the High Schools (Item XI).

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

A motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented (pages 5-48) was presented by Alan Mudd and seconded by Joy Sweeney. Mr. Bruce and Mr. Theroff abstained from voting on items C. and E. respectively. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes–5. Nays–None. Abstentions–2. Absent–None.

**REPORTS AND/OR COMMUNICATIONS**

**JCPS Foundation Update**

Mrs. Karen Enloe, Executive Director of the Foundation, presented the highlights and activities of the Foundation for the past year along with a report of receipts and expenditures for the past year.

**Project Lead the Way**

Ms. Karen Brickey, Coordinator and High School staff Jana Forck and Terry Walker (engineering team members) and Julia Tolksdorf and Keith Loftin (biomedical team members) presented information on Project Lead the Way (PLTW). PLTW is a program aimed at helping students develop the skills necessary to succeed in our global economy through the K-12 STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) programs it offers. The engineering team is undergoing national certification this year and the biomedical team will be undergoing certification next year. Staff members along with students Nathan Erickson, Bailey Patrick and Kyle Craft presented the program, experiences with collaborative projects, the training the staff members must undergo, and the integration of courses into the chosen field.

**FUTURE DATES**

President Nickelson reminded the Board members of the upcoming events as listed on the Agenda.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Board next second read and considered for adoption revised Board policies DA, IKF, and IKFA (pages 49-57). A motion was presented by John Ruth and a second by Doug Whitehead to adopt the policies as presented. Mrs. Penney Rector, Assistant to the Superintendent for Human Resources and District Counsel, and Dr. Tammy Ridgeway, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education, presented additional information on the policies. Discussion followed. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

**NEW BUSINESS****2014-2015 Budget Amendment 2**

Chief Financial/Chief Operating Officer Jason Hoffman presented the second amendment to the 2014-2015 budget (pages 58-61). Doug Whitehead presented a motion to adopt the 2014-2015 budget amendment 2 as presented. Joy Sweeney seconded. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

**First Student Contract**

Mr. Hoffman also presented information relative to an amendment and extension of the contract currently held with First Student Inc. A motion was made by Alan Mudd and seconded by Steve Bruce to approve the contract amendment and extension. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

**2015-16 Calendar Revision**

Dr. Mitchell presented the 2015-16 calendar revision which included one additional professional development day (March 4). A motion was made by John Ruth and seconded by Joy Sweeney to adopt the revised calendar as presented. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

**Policy INC Adoption**

The Board adopted new policy INC with a first read and waiver of second read. This policy is the result of a state law passed in 2014. A motion was presented by Alan Mudd and a second by Steve Bruce to adopt the policy upon this first read and waiver of second. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

**ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn this regular meeting of the Board was made by Alan Mudd. The motion was seconded by John Ruth. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Dennis Nickelson, President

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Claudia Borgmeyer, Secretary