

## **October 24, 2016**

The Jasper City Board of Education met on October 24, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the boardroom at the Central Office. Members present were Chairperson Willie Moore, Teresa Sherer, Walker Wilson, Scott Thornley and Mary Beth Barber.

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 with a second by Mary Beth Barber. The agenda was unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2016 board meeting was given by Mary Beth Barber and a second by Teresa Sherer. The motion was unanimously approved.

Scott Thornley made a motion to approve the monthly personnel report with a second given by Walker Wilson. The motion carried.

Superintendent Ann Jackson recognized Lisa O'Mary, library media specialist at Memorial Park Elementary School, as the winner of the Herman Moore Lamp Award for the 2016-2017 school year. This is the second time Mrs. O'Mary has received this award. She previously won in 2008. The Herman Moore LAMP Award of Exceptional Service is awarded annually by Alabama Library Expo to librarians and library media specialists who have rendered outstanding and exceptional service to their patrons, schools, and communities over an extended period of time.

Dr. Jackson also recognized Ann Trotter, physical education teacher at T.R. Simmons Elementary School, as the winner of the Alabama State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (ASAHPERD), elementary physical education teacher of the year for 2016-2017.

Mr. Jay Kirkpatrick from Hoar Program Management spoke to the Board and gave a PowerPoint presentation with updates to the near-completion of the Jasper High School construction project. His presentation included photos from the main facility as well as the newly built wing. Construction price and the schedule for completion and installation of furniture, hardware, appliances, technology and sound system are right on target for this time frame. Open house for the new Jasper High School is scheduled for December 8, 2016.

Dr. Steven Hall, principal at Maddox Middle School, Mr. Kenneth Abbott, principal at Walker High School, and Mrs. Betty Odom, principal at North Highland School, all presented the Board with information regarding the status of each school. School demographic data, discipline data, and assessment data was presented, along with action steps each school will be implementing in the future. All copies of reports are available for public and Board consideration.

Dr. Jackson reported to the Board the following system highlights and updates for the District:

- Dr. Jackson reported that the majority of the work has been completed that was recommended for Walker High School by the engineering firm, Tucker Jones.
- Completion of the Transportation Plan and its approval by the State Department.

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- The first (pilot) of Delayed Start for students on October 26, 2016.
- Security hired for the new Jasper High School.
- Training on the lighting and sound system in the theater for the new Jasper High School.
- Instructional walk-throughs
- Implementation of WorkKeys testing for high school students for the purposes of employment and college acceptance.

Superintendent Dr. Ann Jackson called upon Chief School Financial Officer, Monique Rector, to report on the finances for the month of September 2016. The general fund had an ending balance of \$7,648,668.72 and a balance in the Capital Projects Fund of \$8,425,529.38. The Special Revenue Fund had a balance of \$1,197,241.50. All school bank accounts balanced without issues. Also presented were city and county tax comparisons from 2013, 2014 and 2015. A check register report was also given outlining checks paid from September 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016. A motion to approve the financial reports and bank reconciliations for the month of September 2016 was given by Walker Wilson with a second given by Scott Thornley and was unanimously approved.

Dr. Ann Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the following out-of-state/overnight field trip:

- Walker High School Band to travel to Orlando, FL from March 29, 2017 to April 1, 2017 to participate in the Disney's Performing Arts parade on March 31, 2017.

A motion to approve the out of state field trip was made by Teresa Sherer with a second by Mary Beth Barber. The motion was unanimously approved.

After discussion, the Board made the decision not to send a delegate and alternate delegate to the 2016-2017 Annual Delegate Assembly meeting on December 8, 2016. There were several conflicts to this date that made it difficult for any member of the Board to attend.

Superintendent Jackson requested adoption of a motion to approve the disposal of surplus technology items in the District. A motion was made by Teresa Sherer to approve this disposal with a second by Mary Beth Barber. The motion carried.

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