

Jackson Center Local Schools - Board of Education:

Regular Meeting

Monday, November 16th, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

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Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.

The Jackson Center Local Board of Education met on Monday, Nov. 16th, 2015 for a regular meeting with the following members present: Mr. Brad Wren, Mr. Dana Ware, Mr. Matt Kohler, Mrs. Kristine Mullenhour and Mrs. Kristen Davis.

Consideration for Approval - Minutes from Regular Meeting on October 19th, 2015 - Res. #15-131

Mrs. Davis moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the Oct. 19th regular meeting. Roll call - 5-0. Motion carried.

Recognition of visitors and public participation: Three FFA members, Madilyn Platfoot, Cole Todd and Colton Rose, assisted by their advisor, Lindsey Whetstone, provided the Board an overview of their recent trip to the FFA National Convention. The convention included many seeing recent Jackson Center graduate, Brandon Ware, receiving the prestigious American Degree Award recognizing his work and service hours. Also in attendance were Larry Ludlow and Dan and John Freytag of Freytag and Associates. They provided the board a progress update on the new building as they move toward finalizing the Design Development Stage.

Consideration for Approval - Executive Session - Res. #15-132

Mr. Wren moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the employment of public employees. Roll call – 5-0. Motion carried. The Board entered into executive session at 8:30 p.m. and re-entered the regular meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Consideration for Approval – Authorize purchasing agent to spend up to \$20,000 for upgrades to the high school computer lab - Res. #15-133

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. Davis seconded a motion to authorize the purchasing agent to spend up to \$20,000 for upgrades to the high school computer lab. This is a part of the District's habit of replacing computers per schedule, but it is also a need in the short term due to a larger than normal 6th grade class using the lab beginning in the 2nd semester and there not being enough computers to meet that need. Roll call – 5-0. Motion carried

Consideration for approval – Financial / Treasurer Report – Res. #15-134

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Roll call – 5-0. Motion Carried

Reports and Information Items

Maintenance: The maintenance area is evaluating a couple pieces of existing equipment for replacement. A new scrubber may become necessary, as the used one purchased five years ago now has constant repair needs. The district is also studying the need for an upgrade to grounds maintenance equipment, particularly during the winter.

Principals:

- **Test Scores:** The Principals have worked to breakdown state information on test scores but will wait for the more formal report due in early December to confirm these results.
- **Student Assembly:** Mr. Reese is working in conjunction with the Shelby County Sheriff's office in creating a program and speaker to address the growing issue of heroin use and addiction.

- **Junior – Senior Open Lunch Period:** Beginning in December, juniors and seniors who meet specific academic requirements will be eligible to leave school during an open lunch period two times per month. Each student will require a parent signature detailing their level of approval. E.g.; No participation; Agree they can leave and stay in town; Agree their student can drive to lunch etc...

Superintendent:

- **Technology Plan:** Discussion occurred about the potential purchase of new computers in the high school lab and the potential of a 1 to 1 computer strategy for a majority of students. Plans to ensure staff development relative to software and technology, as well as technology and equipment maintenance plans are being discussed and developed.
- **Building Project:** Freytag is working to put together information on the building project for public consumption in the near future. They plan on cleaning up existing, working documents and potentially provide them for the public to see at a future event, such as parent-teacher conferences.

Adjournment

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion to adjourn. Meeting ended at 9:30pm. Roll call - 5-0. Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, December 21st, – 7:00P.M.

President

Treasurer