

Jasper County Board of Education

Meeting Minutes

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JCPS SGT meeting
02/25/2020 06:30 PM

JCPS media center

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by chairman James R. Hays. Members in attendance were J. Ross Hays, Andrea Crowe, Olivia Esparza, Kasey Jordan, Leah Campbell, Kimberly Attaberry, Regina Jackson, Earl Favors and Pam Edge- principal of Jasper County Primary School.

II. Pledge and Invocation

The pledge was completed and an invocation was given by Kasey Jordan.

III. Approval of the Agenda (Action)

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented by Andrea Crowe. A second was made to the motion to approve the agenda as presented by Kimberly Attaberry. All members of the SGT were in agreement.

IV. Consent Agenda Items (Action)

A motion was made by Leah Holman to approve the minutes from the Jan. 28th meeting as presented. Regina Jackson made a second to the motion to approve the minutes of the Jan. 28th meeting as presented. All members were in agreement.

- i. meeting minutes from Jan. 28.2020

V. Principal's Report

- i. Attendance Data

Mrs. Edge shared the attendance information in the packet of information presented at the meeting.

- ii. Continuous Improvement Planning

Mrs. Edge always reminds the SGT that the continuous improvement plan is always in draft form. We will continue planning and working on improvements as we review our student data and prepare for upcoming renovations.

VI. SGT Chair Report

i. New Business

a. Meeting Dates- see calendar

b. Approved calendar for FY 21

c. Bi-laws reviewed

Mrs. Edge will make the changes to the Bi-laws that were approved at the Jan. meeting and present back to the SGT. The SGT agreed on all changes at the last SGT meeting.

d. SGT focus group- Upcoming at our Feb. meeting to get feedback on literacy grant

The SGT spent most of the meeting attending a Zoom "virtual" meeting with Holly Schmidt Davis. She was an evaluator reviewing our Literacy grant that we received with federal money. Her contact information is below.

The Evaluation Group

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She spent the majority of the time (around an hour) asking questions pertaining to the grant. She reviewing professional learning around the grant including Growing Readers and Reading Horizons. She spent some time reviewing Summer Bridge and the free books our students are receiving. The SGT reviewed the things they knew about the grant including the literacy bus, one to one on Chrome books at JCPS and the monthly free books students are receiving.

Mrs. Edge did share with the SGT more information on implementing a new tier 1 phonics program with all classes next year. This will be Reading Horizons. Currently WP is using this with phonics instruction and they have seen success. At the PS, Reading Horizons is being used with our PEC populations.

Mrs. Edge explained this evaluation group also has spoken with a focus parent group as well as the JCPS leadership team.

e. Renovations update as presented in Board Bullets

Mrs. Edge did give an update on summer renovations. She explained that all classrooms will get:

- carpet removed and tile replaced
- new lightening
- electrical sockets replaced
- new store fronts- a window will replace that area
- painting- not sure to what extent
- gym- black out ceiling, new lightening, and new paint
- cafeteria and kitchen- painted and lots of new cooking equipment

Mrs. Edge explained she would get a final list and present to the SGT at the next meeting from Mr. Garland.

Mrs. Edge explained that we would do 2 rooms at a time beginning in Aug. of 2020. She will find 2 rooms to keep as classrooms and the rooms being renovated will move to these two set aside rooms during those renovations. Mrs. Edge will let Mr. Garland know she does not have to have trailers.

ii. Old Business

Mrs. Edge did give the SGT dates on STEAM camps and the Summer Bridge program. Mrs. Edge explained that STEAM camps are for anyone that would like to sign up. There will not be door to door transportation but possible drop off points. For Summer Bridge there will be door to door transportation. This will be an invitation only event. JCPS will target 90 students (30 per grade level). These students will be below average and not right at standards. These students need consistency and routine not to have a summer slide. Teachers are reviewing student selection at this time. There will be a kindercamp but during preplanning due to renovations. Mrs. Edge did explain how the units are created for Summer Bridge as well and how teachers are chosen to work Summer Bridge.

Mrs. Edge did discuss upcoming budget requests. The SGT would like a full time nurse at JCPS. There is a need for at least one part time gifted person as gifted numbers are rising. The SGT would like all class sizes to stay 20 or below.

VII. Adjournment

With no other new or old business a motion was made by James R. Hays to adjourn the meeting. A second motion to adjourn the meeting was given by Earl Favors. All SGT members were in agreement. The next SGT meeting will be on Tuesday, March 31st at 6:30 in the media center.

Chairperson

Secretary