



RICH HISTORY, BRIGHT FUTURE
Jacksonville School District #117
Board of Education Committee
Wednesday, January 15, 2025

The Board of Education of Jacksonville School District #117 met in Committee Session on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, beginning at 6:30 PM at the Board Room, 211 West State Street, Jacksonville, IL 62650. Members present at roll call were Mr. Beard, Mrs. Leonard, Mr. Pool, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Trace, and Mrs. Wilson. Also, in attendance were Superintendent, Steve Ptacek, Assistant Superintendent, Matt Moore, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Kelly Zoellner, Director of Human Resources, Tami Stice, Chief Financial Officer, Rick Cunningham, and Recording Secretary, Jenn Lacey. Mr. Lonergan was absent.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Stewart to approve the agenda as presented. Yea: Wilson, Stewart, Pool, Trace, Leonard, Beard. Nay: None.

REPORTS-Nothing to report.

CLOSED SESSION – Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Stewart to adjourn into Closed Session at 6:30 pm.

For the purposes of:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the Public body, specific independent contractors, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the Public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the Public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
- Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
- Student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9).
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (11).
- The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).

Yea: Wilson, Stewart, Trace, Leonard, Pool, Beard. Nay: None.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION-Mrs. Stewart moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to return to Open Session at 7:07 pm. Yea: Stewart, Wilson, Trace, Leonard, Pool, Beard. Nay: None.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATONS- Erin Tighe addressed the Board of Education and stated she can be reached at 217-320-2487. She stated she didn't feel the Board adequately represents the community. She also stated she believes the Social Studies Curriculum needs updated. Tony Burton also addressed the Board of Education. He did not provide a contact number. He desires communication and wants to work together with administration. He expressed his frustrations with the lack of communication in a calm and friendly manner. The Board of Education thanked them but did not respond.

ADJOURNMENT- Mrs. Wilson moved, seconded by Mrs. Stewart to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:12 pm. Yea: Wilson, Stewart, Trace, Leonard, Beard. Nay: None.

President

Secretary