

JONESBORO I.S.D.
MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Jonesboro I.S.D. met in regular session on Thursday, March 13th, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

Members present: Kim Cummings, President, Keith Taylor, Vice President, Doug Brown, Secretary, Rusty Lilljedahl, Keith Crawford, Larry Pruitt, Bobby Buster.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by President Kim Cummings.

Invocation was delivered by Superintendent Robinson

Visitors in the audience included: Gail Miller, Linda Kennedy, Cynthia Cate, Kathie Shaw, Beverly Arellano, Stacy Raibourn, Kathy L. Smith, Deanne Taylor, Ronnie Tanner, Deena Tanner, Dawnelle Walker, Gaynelle Holden, Wesley Smith, Elizabeth Taylor, John Cullar, Kathy J. Smith, Jim Smith, Jason Wright, Kim Tull, George Tull, Crystal Foote, Cathy Wright, Tawyla Majek, Brenda Rhudy, Celia Sellers, Joel Wayne Sellers, Steve Tull, Tommy Hill, Darlena Watson, Joe Dan Watson, Jerid Watson, Jimzie Watson, Shiloh Tanner, Rhegan Tanner, Shirley Miears, Shelby Wilson, Sunny Barnes, Gayla Squyres, Garlan Holden

Five individuals indicated they wanted to speak in during Open Forum. Mrs. Cummings explained the rules to the audience and then asked each one individually to speak.

Crystal Foote, the spokesperson for Jonesboro ISD teachers in Kindergarten through Fourth Grade explained she wanted the Board to know that they were there in support of the Jonesboro ISD Administration.

Celia Sellers addressed the board concerning an issue that she had brought before the board in October. She informed the board that her son had been doing very well since moving to Hamilton ISD.

Deena Tanner expressed her appreciation for Kathy J. Smith and her work with Mrs. Tanner's son.

Linda Kennedy expressed her appreciation for Kathy J. Smith and her work with Mrs. Kennedy's grandson.

Brenda Rhudy expressed to the board that the Kathy J. Smith she knew was a loving and caring person.

Motion by Brown, second by, Crawford to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy Update #82

Motion by Crawford, second by Taylor to approve the 2008-2009 school calendar. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Kelly gave the Principal's report.

Mr. Robinson gave the Superintendent's report.

The Board recessed at 7:40.

The Board reconvened at 7:50.

A hearing began at 7:50 concerning Kathy J. Smith's appeal of her proposed non-renewal.

Mrs. Cummings explained the procedures for conducting the hearing.

Mrs. Gail Miller, Notary Public, swore in all witnesses.

Both parties made opening statements.

The District Administration presented its evidence and witnesses.

The Board recessed at 9:30.

The Board reconvened at 9:40.

John Cullar, Kathy J. Smith's attorney, presented her evidence and witnesses.

Both parties made their closing statements.

The Board recessed at 10:56.

The Board reconvened at 11:03.

The Board deliberated the evidence and had questions for both parties.

The Board recessed at 11:35 to consult with the school attorney via phone.

The Board reconvened at 11:56.

After further deliberation and questions Mrs. Cummings polled the members.

Motion by Brown, second by Taylor to non-renew Kathy J. Smith's contract. The motion carried 7-0.

The hearing concluded at 12:03 a.m.

The Board recessed at 12:03

The Board reconvened at 12:10 and moved to Executive or Closed session at 12:10 to discuss other personnel issues.

The Board reconvened in Open session at 12:30.

Motion by Brown, second by Buster to accept the resignation of Robyn Evans. The motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Brown, second by Buster to accept the resignation of Edgar Hulon Abbott. The motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Taylor, second by Cummings to renew the Teaching and Coaching contracts for the 2008-2009 school year for the list of teachers below. The motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Taylor, second by Lilljedahl to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 12:31 a.m.

President

Secretary

Renewed Teachers/Coaches 2008-2009

Elizabeth Abbott
Chris Ashby
Cynthia Cate
Tiffany Coble
Crystal Foote
Dallas Isom
Jessica Kelly
Pat Laird
Stacy Raibourn
Kathie Shaw
Kathy L. Smith
Gayla Squyres
Susan Trotter
Tim Trotter
Doyce Wright
Dorothy Young