

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – January 8, 2018

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on January 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library. Board Members present were Melvin Stene, Dawn Blain, David Schaible, Doug Whitehead, Sharon Songstad, Kathy Grewell and Justin Oswald. Also present were Allison Evertz, Superintendent, Sheryl Roberts, District Clerk/Business Manager, Marilyn Vukonich, High School Principal, Darlene Hartman, Elementary Principal and Felicia Smith, new District Clerk/Business Manager. Visitors in attendance were Sean McAndrews, Danny Hildebrand and Samantha Anttila.

Melvin Stene called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Stene welcomed guests and explained and asked for public comment. There was none.

David Schaible made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

IV. Reports

a. Student and Faculty Reports

Student Council – Danny Hildebrand reported on Student Council activities. The movie, “My All-American” was watched, stocking caps are still for sale, the winter formal is planned for January 20 and Valentine grams will be available for Valentine’s Day.

Athletic Director -- Samantha Anttila reviewed the basketball win/loss record and changes in team members due to injuries, etc. She will be attending the South Central AD meeting this week and the MHSAA Annual Meeting in Bozeman next week.

Building Report – Supt. Evertz reviewed the monthly maintenance log. The fiber installation has entered the testing phase. The water heater in the new gym janitor closet began leaking and is being replaced.

- V. Correspondence** – Supt. Evertz reviewed the correspondence which included thank you notes, a letter from OPI on the budget amendment petition approval and a letter approving an additional bus route. A letter was forwarded from attorney Jeff Weldon today to Supt. Evertz; the same letter was sent to trustees by the writer.

VI. Old Business

- a. Fiber Installation Update – They are working on issue as the test signal is not being returned.

- b. New Complaint Procedure for District

Justin Oswald made a motion to adopt the first reading of new complaint policy. David Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

- c. Negotiations Update

Spreadsheets were provided by Clerk Sheryl Roberts showing how much it will cost the district if the proposed matrix is maintained for three years.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to offer a three year proposal to JTA using the matrix proposed by JTA. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

VII. New Business

a. Budget Amendment Resolution

Justin Oswald made a motion to adopt the budget amendment resolution due to an unanticipated enrollment increase in the elementary. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

c. Election Resolution

Justin Oswald made a motion to call for an elementary trustee election, an elementary general fund election and an elementary building reserve fund election on May 8, 2018 with all elections being mail ballot elections. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to call for a high school trustee election, a high school general fund election and a high school building reserve fund election on May 8, 2018 with all elections being mail ballot elections. Doug Whitehead seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

d. Results of the Interior Walk-through

Supt. Evertz reviewed the list of items that can be addressed over the summer.

VIII. Personnel

a. Elementary Teacher

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Rachele Bennett as a Teacher for the period of January 16, 2018 to June 30, 2018. Doug Whitehead seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

Dawn Blain made a motion to increase Jenny Stone to .625 FTE for the period of February 1, 2018, to June 30, 2018. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

b. Superintendent Evaluation – All evaluations should be returned by January 17, 2018. They can be reviewed with the superintendent at the February meeting because the superintendent already has a contract until June 30, 2019.

c. Winter Concessions Worker

David Schaible made a motion to hire up to 3 people for a maximum of 5 hours for the remainder of the home games. Doug Whitehead seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

d. Clerk Training Package

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Sheryl Roberts at her current monthly rate through January 31, 2018, to train the new clerk. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

IX. Superintendent/Principal/Business Manager Reports

Allison Evertz reported she will meet Wednesday about starting a Boys and Girls Club in Joliet, K-6 will be traveling to Red Lodge January 19 to watch the Billings Symphony perform, MAPS testing will begin January 10, residency for a former student appears to be in Georgia, the private investigation on a parent

complaint has concluded, the Fromberg superintendent's son passed away in December and Lindsay Thompson will have a student teacher.

Marilyn Vukonich handed out her report and reviewed it. The 7th and 8th graders will be going to the Lewis & Clark Back To The Future event January 10.

Darlene Hartman explained "checks returned" on her report and provided an update on the curriculum five-year plan and Title I.

Allison Evertz reviewed the letter being sent to the first grade parents.

Felicia Smith discussed the new clerk training she attended today.

X. Items for Next Agenda

- a. Retirement incentive packages
- b. Hire middle school track coaches
- c. Policy meeting January 22, 2018, at 5 p.m.
- d. Next regular meeting February 12, 2018, 7 p.m.

Justin Oswald made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Approved 02/02/2018

Clerk 

Chairman 