

## **Board of Trustees Regular Meeting –August 13, 2018**

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on August 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library. Board Members present were Melvin Stene, Justin Oswald, Sharon Songstad, Dawn Blain, Kathy Grewell and Dave Schaible. Also present were Allison Evertz, Superintendent, Clark Begger, K-8 Principal and Felicia Smith, District Clerk/Business Manager. Visitors in attendance were Sam Anttila, Ira Preshinger, Kodi Larson, Bruce Larson, Amber O'Rourke, Marcie Peters, Patty Bergum-Nafts and Carol Sherman.

Melvin Stene called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Stene welcomed guests, explained procedure and asked for public comment.

Mr. Ira Preshinger addressed the Board with information about a potential development in the area behind the school and the burden it would place on the infrastructure of the Town of Joliet. Mr. Preshinger urged the Board and all present to get involved in the process to make sure public opinion is heard.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **IV. Reports**

- a. Athletic Director Report – Sam Anttila stated that cross country will be running two full teams this year for both boys and girls. There are 21 athletes in the football program. She commented that the old gym updates were nicely done.
- b. Building Report – Supt. Evertz updated the board on the HVAC installation in the middle school wing and the progress of updates to the old gym.

### **V. Correspondence – There was no correspondence to discuss.**

### **VI. Unfinished Business**

- a. Cheer Squad – The previous discussion about reinstating the cheer squad was tabled at the June board meeting until more information could be provided to the Board. Such information was not received by the July Board Meeting. Since that time, Amber O'Rourke has applied to coach the cheer squad and has done research and leg-work to assess the viability of the program.

The Board is asked to consider including cheer squad in the 18-19 school year on a trial basis with no away game travel. Minimal startup money will be needed as Mrs. O'Rourke has evaluated the currently available equipment and uniforms. Included in this decision is the inclusion of middle school. The current stipend matrix is included for the Board's review.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the reinstatement of cheerleading as a one year trial activity for the 2018-19 school year for both high school and middle school. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

- b. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Sports – The Board was provided the information relative to the school running a 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade sports program which would include volleyball and basketball.

Dawn Blain made a motion to pass on the Class B 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade sports proposal for the 2018-19 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

## VII. New Business

- a. Out of District Approval – Supt. Evertz provided the Board with a list of out-of-district students seeking approval for enrollment.

Dave Schaible made a motion to approve the out-of-district students (except for #70 and #59) for the 2018-19 school year. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

- b. Special Funds Revenue Resolution – This agenda item was tabled due to the necessity of a full Board for approval of the resolution.

## VIII. Personnel

Long-Term Substitute Teacher Pay – Supt. Evertz discussed the unique situation the school has with the recent resignation of a teacher late in the summer. Due to the lack of candidates, the administration is seeking a solution to the lack of an appropriate candidate by utilizing long-term substitutes to fill positions where there is no teacher presently hired, or in the event of a long-term leave of a teacher.

The Board discussed the term and rate of pay for long-term substitutes and agreed that a substitute would be considered a long-term sub upon working more than 10 consecutive days in the same classroom. Starting with the 11<sup>th</sup> day, the pay rate would increase to \$140 per day for long-term substitutes.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to establish 10 consecutive days as the criteria for activating long-term substitute pay as twice the normal rate (instead of \$70 per day it would increase to \$140 per day). Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Clark Begger – There is a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which outlines responsibilities of the District and of Clark Begger.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the District and Clark Begger. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Amber O'Rourke -- Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Amber O'Rourke as the MS/HS Cheer Squad advisor for the 2018-2019 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Amber O'Rourke as the MS/HS Cheer Squad advisor for the 2018-2019 school year pending a background check. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Brenton Seymour -- Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Brenton Seymour as a middle school assistant football coach for the 2018-2019 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to hire Brenton Seymour as middle school assistant football coach for the 2018-2019 school year. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Brenda Lelevier -- Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Brenda Lelevier as the head cook for the 2018-2019 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Brenda Lelevier as the head cook for the 2018-2019 school year pending a background check. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Caressa Shettel -- Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Caressa Shettel as an assistant cook for the 2018-2019 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Caressa Shettel as an assistant cook for the 2018-2019 school year pending a background check. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Jolene Music -- Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Jolene Music as an assistant cook for the 2018-2019 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Jolene Music as an assistant cook for the 2018-2019 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Danielle Sullivan -- Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Danielle Sullivan as the Student Council advisor for the 2018-2019 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Danielle Sullivan as the Student Council advisor for the 2018-2019 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Parker Smith -- Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Parker Smith as the assistant cross country coach for the 2018-2019 school year.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to hire Parker Smith as the assistant cross country coach for the 2018-2019 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **IX. Superintendent/Principal/Business Manager Reports**

Allison Evertz advised the Board on the configuration of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes with the long-term subs and student teacher for the beginning of the 2018-19 school year. She also discussed the outcome of several recent meetings including: coaches' meeting; transportation; kitchen; and Milligan School Data.

Supt. Evertz informed the Board of upcoming events such as: Staff PIR Orientation; Expedition Yellowstone; Active Shooter Training; and the ACE regional meeting here at Joliet. Also discussed was the MBI motto for this year. An updated RIF list was provided to Board members.

Felicia Smith provided the Board with reports of all claims paid, payroll disbursements, and a financial statement. Ms. Smith briefly discussed the audit recently completed by PERS and the outcome of that audit as well as the year-end audit.

**X. Items for Next Agenda**

Budget Adoption  
Special Funds Revenue Resolution

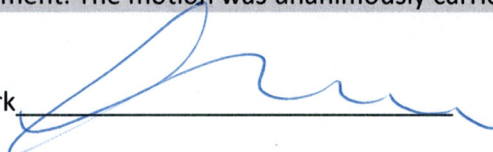
**XI. Next Board Meeting Date**

A Special Board meeting will be held August 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library to adopt the 2018-19 budget  
The next regular Board meeting will be held September 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library.

**XII. Adjournment**

Sharon Songstad made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Approved 09/10/2018

Clerk 

Chairman 