

Board of Trustees Special Board Meeting – December 10, 2024

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a special meeting on December 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Joliet School Library. Board Members present were Dawn Blain, Amanda Dinsdale, Ken Adams, Kelly Carrington (via phone), Kraig Krook, and Jason Stene. Also present were Clark Begger, Superintendent; Mandi Hernandez, MS/HS Principal; Joey Richert, K1-5 Principal, and Felicia Smith, Business Manager/Clerk via stream. Visitors in attendance were: Kaleb Price, Tammie Grewell, Stacie Lodermeier, Maria Stringari, Aidon Songstad, Mason Sheppard, Alanna Puett, Violet Wilailuck and Emily Fanus.

Dawn Blain called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Blain welcomed guests and asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

III. Reports

- a. FFA – The floriculture team presented on their trip to nationals in Indianapolis and thanked the Board for their support.
- b. Student Council – The student council updated the Board on the winter formal; and the Christmas sing along (ugly sweater contest/hot cocoa sales/class competition).
- c. Elementary Principal – Mr. Richert updated the Board on SOAR assemblies; Thanksgiving lunch; PIR day; Music Program; End of 2nd Quarter; and Testing information.
- d. MS/HS Principal – Mrs. Hernandez updated the Board on the Move Over Montana presentation; middle school IATs; BPA regionals; music concert; semester tests; scholarships; semester/schedule changes; Christmas dinner; FFA districts; FFA fruit sales; Christmas sing along; winter formal; extracurricular activities.

IV. Consent Agenda: Voided claim checks, Claims Warrants ACH 99613-99612 & 51978-52057; Voided payroll checks, Payroll Warrants ACH 84078-83998 & 64599-64664; Activity voided checks, ACH, transfers, checks 17539-17565; Minutes: 11/18/2024 special board meeting; 11/19/2024 regular board meeting; Routine Records Management; Substitute teacher list. Jason Stene made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Ken Adams seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

V. Action Items

A. New Business

1. Policy –

First Reading of Policy 8210 — Procurement for School Food Purchases and Use of Federal Funds – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on December 3, 2024. Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee's discussion.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 8210. Jason Stene seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

First Reading of Policy 8310 — Memorials – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on December 3, 2024. Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee's discussion.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 8310. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

First Reading of Policy 8410 — Operation and Maintenance of District Facilities – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on December 3, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

Jason Stene made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 8410. Kraig Krook seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

First Reading of Policy 8411 — Water Supply Systems and Wastewater – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on December 3, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 8411. Jason Stene seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

First Reading of Policy 8425 and 8425P — Service Animals – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on December 3, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

Kelly Carrington made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 8425 and 8425P. Ken Adams seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

First Reading of Policy 8426 and 8426F — Therapy Animals – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on December 3, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 8426 and 8426F upon clarification with MTSBA regarding the policy number. Kelly Carrington seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

2. Personnel –Superintendent Begger recommended the Board approve the December Personnel Action Report.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the December Personnel Action Report. Amanda Dinsdale seconded the motion. There was board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 5-0 (E).

3. Softball Cooperative Agreement – This agenda item was inadvertently omitted from the agenda, so no action will be taken at this time. The Board did discuss the potential for a softball coop with Laurel.

B. Unfinished Business

1. Policy – In light of discussion held at the policy committee and full board levels, the following policies are grouped into a single motion because they had unanimous support at the first reading.

First Reading of Policy 8105 — School Bus Replacement – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8110 — Bus Routes & Schedules – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8121 — District Owned Vehicles – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8123 — Driver Training and Responsibility – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8124 — Student Conduct on Buses – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8125 — School Bus Emergencies – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8129 — Chemical Safety – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8130 — Air Quality Restrictions on Outdoor Activities, Practice and Competition – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8132 — Activity Trips – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion. Mr. Begger clarified that the optional language on Lines 1 through 3 on page two would be include, but the language on lines 5 through 11 on page two would not be included.

First Reading of Policy 8205 — Meal Charge Policy – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024 Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

First Reading of Policy 8225 — Tobacco Use – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 12, 2024. Trustee Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee's discussion.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the second readings of Policy 8105, 8110, 8121, 8123, 8124, 8125, 8129, 8130, 8132, 8205 and 8225. Amanda Dinsdale seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

- VI. Discussion/Informational Items** – Mr. Begger provided the Board with the following information: Canvas Creek team building for staff; sports (baseball, golf, girls' wrestling); facilities master planning/maintenance logs; 11/12/2024 policy committee minutes; 11/19/2024 budget committee minutes; enrollment update; hiring/staffing update; and superintendent's schedule; distribution of the superintendent's evaluation.
- VII. Correspondence** – MHSA 8-Man football appeal statement and denial from MHSA.
- VIII. Suggested Topics for Next Regular Agenda:**
Election Resolutions
Softball Co-op
Superintendent Evaluation
- IX. Next Board Meeting Date**
Regular Board Meeting – January 21, 2025 6:30 p.m. in the library
- X. Adjournment**
Ms. Blain adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Approved 1-21-25

Board Chair

Karen Blain

Clerk

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