

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – March 20, 2017

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on March 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library Room. Board Members present were Melvin Stene, Justin Oswald, Doug Whitehead, Kathy Grewell, Corie Mydland Dawn Blain and Sharon Songstad. Also present were Allison Evertz, Superintendent and Sheryl Roberts, District Clerk/Business Manager and Marilyn Vukonich, High School Principal. Visitors included Linda Mickle, Samantha Anttila, Evelyn Fischer, John Fischer, Brandy Feller, Riley Killian, Amanda Lewis, Darlene Hallam, and Tanner White. Brice Turk arrived at 7:03 p.m. Russ Salo arrived at 7:13 p.m. Melissa Oswald arrived during the Old Business agenda items.

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.

Corie Mydland made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

IV. Reports

- a. Student Council – Tanner White reported that the Valengrams were a success. Forty students will be skiing and 30 students will be golfing and bowling for Ski Day on March 21. He thanked the board administration for allowing the Ski Day. Student Council will be electing new board members next month.
- b. Athletic Director Update – There was none.
- c. Baseball League Presentation – Brandy Feller reported that the baseball league would like to put up a fence, restore electricity to the pitcher's mound, do dirt work around the batting cage/some bases and replace the bases. Discussion followed on restoring electricity and the league's plans for future improvements.

Motion made by Dawn Blain to allow the baseball league to replace the bases, do dirt work in batting cage area and bases, restore electricity to the pitcher's mound and replace the bases. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. Linda Mickle Menu Discussion – Linda Mickle said she is waiting on changes to the menu for next year. She estimated that approximately 60% of the current menu is made from scratch. She would like a canopy over the area to the outside freezer.
- e. Building Update – Russ Salo and Supt. Evertz provided details. The log was reviewed with transportation issues keeping the maintenance crew busy this month.

Moved to Item VII c. Independent Licensed Social Worker Contract. Amanda Lewis reviewed the informal arrangement she has been working under since 2009.

- V. Correspondence – A copy of correspondence received from the Carbon County Spelling Bee and the National Association of Agricultural Educators was included in the board packet.

VI. Old Business

- a. Baseball League Request – action taken earlier.
- b. Insurance Update – The insurance committee would like to keep the current providers for next year.
- c. Levy Decision – Discussion followed. The trustees are not interested in the permissive levy allowed in SB 307, if it passes the legislature, this year. If a technology fund mill levy is offered, the election will have to be a poll election. The required paperwork for a mail ballot election for a technology fund election has not been sent to the Secretary of State. Supt. Evertz reviewed the possibilities of increasing bandwidth for the school. The trustees requested more information and options. A special meeting will be held March 27, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. to set the levy amount.
- d. Third Reading of Procurement Policy
Motion made by Justin Oswald to adopt the Joliet Nutrition Program Procurement Policy. Motion seconded by Kathy Grewell. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. Retirement Incentive Approval – Supt. Evertz reviewed two proposals. Discussion followed.
Motion made by Justin Oswald to offer two packages of a one-time payment of \$6,000 as a retirement incentive to be determined by seniority if more than two people apply. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. New Business

- a. Resolution for SB 307 – The trustees are not interested in this option for funding a Building Reserve Fund at this time.
- b. District School Bus Purchase
Motion made by Dawn Blain to purchase a new Bluebird bus with the specs listed in the board packet not to exceed \$98,500. Motion seconded by Kathy Grewell. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. Independent Licensed Social Worker Contract – done earlier.
- d. Multi-School Interlocal Agreement
Motion made by Kathy Grewell to renew the Multidistrict Agreement already in place until June 30, 2020. Motion seconded by Dawn Blain. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. First Reading of Policy Change
Motion made by Justin Oswald to adopt the first reading of Policy 3210. Motion seconded by Corie Mydland. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

f. Outstanding Checks to Clear

Motion made by Sharon Songstad to cancel checks #43216, #43652 and #44972 as they have not been cashed and were written prior to August 31, 2015. Motion seconded by Justin Oswald. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

g. RFP for Fiber Optic Cable to School – Discussed during Item VI c. Levy Decision.

h. Election Update – Discussed during Item VI c. Levy Decision.

i. JTA Request to Open Negotiations

Motion made by Corie Mydland to open negotiations. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Personnel

a. Assistant Coaches for High School Track

Motion made by Sharon Songstad to hire Lauren Brophy as an Assistant High School Track Coach for the July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 school year. Motion seconded by Corie Mydland. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Dawn Blain to hire John Nelson as an Assistant High School Track Coach for the July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 school year. Motion seconded by Justin Oswald. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Resignation

Motion made by Justin Oswald to accept the resignation of Wayne McLaughlin effective March 17, 2017. Motion seconded by Dawn Blain. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Retirement

Motion made by Justin Oswald to regretfully accept the resignation of Mary Ekberg effective May 26, 2017. Motion seconded by Doug Whitehead. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Superintendent/Principal/Business Manager Reports

Supt. Evertz reviewed the items in the board packet. Items included an update on the focus group goals and objectives, internet safety speaker on April 12, an update on driver's education, changes to recruiting bus drivers, class schedules for next year, FFA competition results, the upcoming testing schedule, speaking at a class at MSU-Billings, out-of-district enrollment for two Joliet students, the tornado drill, All Conference Team selections, the MBI on-site survey, a proposed housing development, the March 8 professional development for teachers and a legislative update.

Marilyn Vukonich handed out her report and reviewed it with the trustees. There will be a Policy Committee meeting April 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

XI. Items for Next Agenda

- a. Policy Committee meeting April 10 at 6:30 p.m.
- b. MOU with the Joliet Little League
- c. Bus Update
- d. Driver's Ed

There will be a special meeting March 27, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. The next regular board meeting date will be April 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Dawn Blain made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 p.m. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Approved 4/10/17

Clerk Sheryl Roberts

Chairman Adrian Attene