

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON CREEK  
**Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, October 27, 2014**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**Elementary Music Room**

President Kellie Loeb called the meeting to order.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: June McCaffery, Carol O'Neil, Richard Wensch, and Kellie Loeb

Board Members Absent: Duane Draeger, Rick Kaltenberg, and Andrew Swanson

Also present: Superintendent Michael Garvey, Principal Cale Vogel, Principal Kris Blakeley, Director of Teaching and Learning Lisa Krohn, Buildings and Ground Director Dan Fischer, Administrative Assistant Becky Stewart, Wendi Unger, Andrea Hill, and Don Battenberg

Dr. Garvey verified that the meeting was properly posted Pursuant to § 19.84(1) Wis. Statutes.

Motion by Wensch/O'Neil to adopt the agenda as posted. Motion Carried.

**Community Viewpoint**

None

Community Volunteer Don Battenberg spoke to the Board of Education about the need for community volunteers in the schools. He shared his experiences with the PAL's (Partner's at Lunch) program. The PAL's Program partners community members with students. Adult volunteers share a lunch at school with their student partner once a week. "It's all about developing relationships", Mr. Battenberg stated. "It can be an extremely positive experience for both the student and the community volunteer," he added. Mr. Battenberg called on more community members to consider spending one lunch hour per week volunteering in the PAL's program. Volunteers can contact Diane Lonsdale at 699-2511.

**Communications**

**Superintendent Update**

Dr. Garvey stated that Wondra Construction has done an incredible job this last week with getting dirt moving and making a great deal of progress. Dr. Garvey also mentioned that the contract with South Industries to build the domes is being reviewed by both legal counsels and they plan to execute the contract this week.

Dr. Garvey recognized a group of teachers who participated in the salary promotion pilot program. These were teachers who were on the new salary schedule in a cell where they qualified to submit a portfolio as presented in the salary and stipend guide. They included Lyssa Braunschweig, Melissa Christian, Melissa Enger, Marcus Novak, Brett Percuccio, Megan Rojemann, and Paula Wolter.

### Principal Reports

Mrs. Blakeley mentioned that the Elementary had a 95% attendance rate at parent teacher conferences on October 13<sup>th</sup>. The Elementary School theme is reading and Marla McKenna, an author, is visiting with students during their language time and also helping them write a book.

Mrs. Blakeley also stated that the Homecoming food drive was a success with collecting 1,234 items. Mr. Hett's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class won and will be having a pizza party. The Elementary School is finishing up PALS testing in 4K and WKCE is coming up next week for 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

On November 7<sup>th</sup> the Elementary will have a Ronald McDonald Assembly and on November 19<sup>th</sup> they will have a Fort HealthCare Health Fair where there will be different stations on positive eating, exercise, and healthy living. Also, on November 11<sup>th</sup> the Elementary will have a huge Veteran's Day Assembly. They will honor families with veterans, members from the Jefferson County Honor Guard will come and read to the children, Dennis Landon who is a veteran with a service dog will visit, and they will also tie to their reading theme. Looking ahead the Elementary Christmas program will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Vogel stated the October Principal Newsletter is on-line and November's will be available shortly. He mentioned that there are currently 51 high school students in New York City and a group of students are going to the FFA Convention in Lowville, KY tomorrow.

Attendance at parent teacher conferences was about 70% overall. Like past years, higher attendance for middle school areas and then it diminishes as it moves into the high school grades. Mr. Vogel mentioned that the PBIS system going well and they are giving away weekly and monthly prizes. Right now the high school has a lull in athletics because we are between fall and winter sports. All fall sports are done and winter athletics will start in the middle of November.

Mr. Vogel indicated a number of upcoming events: WKCE testing, Fall Athletic Awards Night (11/4), End of Quarter (11/5), Veterans Day Program (11/11), and the Fall National Honor Society Induction Ceremony (11/19).

Mr. Vogel also mentioned that they are currently working with the Jefferson County Sheriff Department to come in and give a presentation on Heroin and all its dangers.

### Director of Teaching and Learning

Mrs. Krohn stated that there is a curriculum meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup> and she will have a presentation packet to share at the November School Board meeting following that meeting. She also stated that the Multi District In-Service is this Thursday at Lake Mills with presenters Dr. Jim Rickabaugh and Randy Dahl. Friday's In-Service will be at Johnson Creek with on-site professional development/collaboration.

### Director of Buildings & Grounds

Mr. Fischer stated they are working on the football fields. They are aerating, fertilizing, and seeding the fields. Mr. Fischer also mentioned that they are three-fourths done with the fall preventative maintenance.

### Board Member Comments:

Mrs. O'Neil stated there was an article in the Milwaukee Journal about too much testing and just asked Mrs. Krohn to take a look at it.

Mrs. Loeb asked when the Domes go up if we could use a time lapse video because there are several people interested. Dr. Garvey said that one has been purchased to be installed in the spring.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by O’Neil/Wrench to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of September 15, 2014 and the Special Board meetings of October 6, 2014 and October 10, 2014. Motion Carried.

**2013-14 Audit Report**

Baker Tilly partner, Wendi Unger, went over the 2013-14 audit report for the Board of Education. She complimented the District’s business office. She told Board Members that most Districts with good financial practices can have 20-50 adjustments which auditors must perform. Johnson Creek had zero. She also complimented the District on having a good strong fund balance.

Dr. Garvey presented options for the 2014-15 levy and the 2014-15 budget.

Motion by the Wrench/O’Neil to set the 2014-15 levy at \$4,316,221 which includes a Fund 10 levy of \$3,414,767, a Community Services levy of \$25,000, a prior year levy charge back of \$15, and a debt service levy of \$876,439 and to make the appropriate budget changes to reflect the levy.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Absent), Kaltenberg (Absent), McCaffery (Y), O’Neil (Y), Swanson (Absent), Wrench (Y) and Loeb (Y).

Yes – 4            No – 0            Absent - 3            Motion Carried

**WISC Resolution**

Motion by O’Neil/Wrench to approve the WISC Resolution authorizing entry into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement relating to the “Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative” and authorizing participation in the investment programs of the fund. Motion Carried.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Absent), Kaltenberg (Absent), McCaffery (Y), O’Neil (Y), Swanson (Absent), Wrench (Y) and Loeb (Y).

Yes – 4            No – 0            Absent - 3            Motion Carried

**Business Affairs/Treasurer’s Report**

Motion by McCaffery/Wrench to approve Accounts Payable checks 223059-223411, excluding check #223407 & 223171, in the amount of \$830,412.91, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 14763-14780 in the amount of \$14,663.63 and Payroll ETF transactions 900927925-900928153 in the amount of \$241,617.07.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Absent), Kaltenberg (Absent), McCaffery (Y), O’Neil (Y), Swanson (Absent), Wrench (Y) and Loeb (Y).

Yes - 4            No – 0            Absent - 3            Motion Carried

Motion by McCaffery/Wrensch to approve WEA Retirement check #223407 & 223171 in the amount of \$30,632.48.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Absent), Kaltenberg (Absent), McCaffery (Y), O'Neil (Abstained), Swanson (Absent), Wrensch (Y) and Loeb (Y).

Yes - 3          No – 0          Absent – 3          Abstained - 1          Motion Carried

There were no budget adjustments.

**Personnel**

Motion by Wrensch/O'Neil to approve the hiring of Girls Head Varsity Softball Coach Dean Herman. Motion Carried.

**Policy**

Motion by Policy Committee/O'Neil to change policies 443.3, 522.2, and 831 to include the following non exhaustive list as part of the policy.

Tobacco/Smoking products include but not limited to:

- Smoking materials (cigarettes, cigars, pipes, etc.)
- Non smoke tobacco products (chewing tobacco, snuff, etc.)
- Electronic vapor smoking devices (e-cigarettes, vapor pipes, etc.)

**Recreation**

Motion by Wrensch/O'Neil to approve the Joint Recreation Program Resolution Amendment as presented. Motion Carried.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Absent), Kaltenberg (Absent), McCaffery (Y), O'Neil (Y), Swanson (Absent), Wrensch (Y) and Loeb (Y).

Yes - 4          No – 0          Absent - 3          Motion Carried

The Board members were given the 2014-15 Annual Recreation Budget.

**Athletic Facilities AD Hoc Committee**

Mr. Vogel updated the Board on the athletic fields for the new school. The next meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee will be November 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. in MS/HS Room 207 with 6AM Marketing.

Motion by Athletic Facilities Ad Hoc Committee/Wrensch to enter into an agreement with ILC Web Store to create a market selling Blue Jay-wear. Motion Carried.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Absent), Kaltenberg (Absent), McCaffery (Y), O'Neil (Y), Swanson (Absent), Wrensch (Y) and Loeb (Y).

Yes - 4          No – 0          Absent - 3          Motion Carried

**New Business**

Motion by Wrench/O'Neil to approve the June 2016 Spanish Class field trip to Argentina and designate an activity account for the specific purpose of the trip. Motion Carried.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Absent), Kaltenberg (Absent), McCaffery (Y), O'Neil (Y), Swanson (Absent), Wrench (Y) and Loeb (Y).

Yes - 4          No – 0          Absent - 3          Motion Carried

Motion by O'Neil/Wrench to approve the spring 2015 Youth Options requests of four students to take a Nursing Assistant Class at MATC. Motion Carried.

**Meeting dates**

The Board will next meet on Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6 p.m.

Motion by Wrench/O'Neil to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart  
District Administrative Assistant