

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON CREEK
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 16, 2015
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: Rick Kaltenberg, Carol O'Neil, Andrew Swanson, Richard Wensch, June McCaffery, Kellie Loeb, and Student Representative Brad Pitzner

Board Members Absent: Duane Draeger

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, and newspaper reporter Tara Schmidt

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

Communications

Superintendent Update

Dr. Garvey stated we completed the first day of the Membership Audit which will be concluded tomorrow.

Principal Reports

Mrs. Blakeley reported that all but four staff members are trained in non crisis intervention. Those four will be trained in the near future. She also mentioned that Jump Rope for Heart rose over \$6,100 up from last year of about \$4,400.

Mrs. Blakeley indicated a number of upcoming events: Vision screening (2/19), 4K screening (42 signed up) (2/20), Skate Express trip (2/20), Family Fun Night (2/27), Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1-8 p.m. (student lead) (3/2), and scoliosis screening for 6th-7th graders (3/5). Maranatha University will handle the vision and scoliosis screenings.

Mr. Vogel mentioned the PBIS assembly went well and reported that there were less referrals second quarter then there were first quarter from grades 8-12.

Mr. Vogel also indicated a number of upcoming events: high school forensics sub-districts (2/19), National FFA week (2/23-2/27), girls basketball in Monticello (2/24), individual state wrestling (2/27-

2/28), ACT testing for Juniors (3/3 & 3/4), Choir and Band concerts (3/9 & 3/16), and Conference Academic Bowl in the middle of March.

Director of Teaching and Learning

Mrs. Krohn stated the ACT testing is state wide on March 3rd and 4th. Mrs. Krohn mentioned she has been working on the Badger Exam (grades 3-8 students) details. She has also been working on high school scheduling for next year with more students looking at AP course work. Overall, data is continuing to grow from WKCE and MAP testing has seen a lot of growth as well.

Director of Buildings & Grounds

Mr. Fischer stated work on the activity room has been done with all the lights and ballasts being changed. The green house is up and running. Mr. Fischer also stated they have been busy on weekends with the FFA Toy Show and the Jefferson County 4H Family Learning Day.

Board Member Comments

Mrs. O'Neil mentioned that the next Local Legislative Meeting is on March 9th from 9:30-11 a.m. in the Puerner Room (3rd floor) at FCCU in Jefferson and encouraged Board members to attend if they could.

Mrs. McCaffery mentioned that she received a call from South Central Federation of Labor that WEACT will be hosting a forum for this year's candidates at the Towne Inn next Monday.

Brad Pitzner stated the PBIS assembly went very well and really enjoyed it.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by O'Neil/Swanson to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of January 19, 2015.
Motion Carried.

Business Affairs/Treasurer's Report

Motion by Swanson/Wrensch to approve Accounts Payable checks 223952-224116 in the amount of \$596,200.40, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 14821-14826 in the amount of \$558.27 and Payroll ETF transactions 900928852-900929090 in the amount of \$240,294.50.

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

Yes - 6 No - 0 Absent - 1 Motion Carried

There were no budget adjustments.

Policy

Motion by McCaffery/O'Neil to move to dispense of the second reading and approve policy 462 as presented and renumber current policy 462 (Valedictorian and Salutatorian) to policy 463. Motion Carried.

Sites

Update on Bidding Process

Dr. Garvey explained how the bidding process on the new school is about to commence. All bids will be collected in the District office and they will be sealed. This will allow Maas to bid. Because Mass won't be collecting the bids, we expect more bids to arrive.

Update on Project

Dr. Garvey updated the Board on the building project.

- Wondra will begin work on the Village portion of the waterlines soon.
- The building will be served from the north south portion of the village line.
- The Hwy B entrance has been designed
- Wondra is working with the athletic field designers in order to coordinate "acceptable grades" from which to work as Wondra completes their project.
- Wondra has recommended that we install the rest of the gravel, now (because they feel like they can get better compaction). We would still keep traffic off of it until the site dries in the spring.

Appraisal Progress

Dr. Garvey reported that he is working with the appraiser and expects the appraisal on the old building to be in the works very soon.

2015-16 Calendar

Motion by O'Neil/Kaltenberg to accept the 2015/16 calendar and set the date of Graduation to Sunday, June 5th, 2016. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Legislative Updates

Assessment

Dr. Garvey explained how Waukesha and at least 6 other larger school Districts passed resolutions seeking permission from the state to opt out of the state test this year. They are asking the state to use their MAP data in lieu of the Badger Exam.

State Budget

Dr. Garvey talked about the issues with the Badger Exam (Smarter Balance).

- The Governor's budget calls for the "Badger Exam (Smarter Balance)" to be only used this year and expects a new test next year.
- The test is over budget and the legislature is expected to consider either underfunding the test or not fund it at all.
- The issue with opting out is that the test is a requirement of the NCLB waiver that the state received from the federal government.
- The DPI is struggling to get the test ready in time which puts all kids at a disadvantage because we cannot prepare them properly since the practice exercises are not the same interface as the test. We have been notified that many features associated with the test are not working on Chrome books—the DPI is working on it.
- The test was supposed to mirror the MAP test in that it is designed to react to a student's answers (a student gets the answer correct, the next question is more difficult). As of today, the test will not be progressive in nature for this spring.

Motion by Wrench/McCaffery to request opting out of the Badger Exam if after the Administrative team monitors the situation they determine an opt out is in the best interest of the District.

2015 WASB Convention Delegate Assembly Report

Mrs. McCaffery gave her WASB delegate report.

Motion by Swanson/Wrensch to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart
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