

JOHNSON CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 20, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Elementary Music Room

President Richard Wrench called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Duane Draeger, Ken Johnson, June Kolaske, Mark Siewert, Wesley Trapp, and Richard Wrench

Board Members Absent: Janelle Kwarciany

Also present: District Administrator Mark Gruen, Principal Neil O'Connell, Principal Melissa Enger, Special Education Director Stacy Pustina, Administrative Assistant Becky Stewart, Student Representative (arrived at 6:12 p.m.) Natasha Steenberg, Charles Moehling, Tricia Wagner, Tim Hunn, David Hunn, Andrew Hunn, Chazz Welch, Jackson Heinrich, Brock Heinrich, Michael Heinrich, Michelle Heinrich, Aaron Abad, Marisela Floes, Jose Abad, Olivia Poltrock, Wendie Poltrock, Teagan Tracy, Matthew Tracy, Jennifer Tracy, Declan Tracy, and Quinn Tracy

Becky Stewart verified that the meeting was properly posted pursuant to § 19.84(1) Wis. Statutes.

Motion by Draeger/Trapp to adopt the agenda as posted. Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Johnson/Siewert to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of February 20, 2023. Motion Carried.

Community Viewpoint

None

WASDA Child Advocacy Award District Recognition

Tim Hunn and Johnson Creek Culvers manager Chazz Welch received the WASDA Child Advocacy Award from Mr. Gruen.

Interpretive Reading Contest Winners

Jackson Heinrich, Teagan Tracy, and Aaron Abad read their Interpretive Reading pieces.

Business Affairs/Treasurer's Report

Motion by Draeger/Trapp to approve Accounts Payable checks 242850-243069 in the amount of \$813,553.86, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 15733-15745 in the amount of \$2,289.89, and Payroll ETF transaction 900951318-900951662 in the amount of \$324,068.64.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Y), Johnson (Y), Kolaske (Y), Kwarciany (Absent), Siewert (Y), Trapp (Y), and Wrench (Y).

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent – 1

Motion Carried

Personnel

Motion by Personnel Committee/Siewert to accept Quartz proposal of a 2% increase in health insurance. Motion Carried.

Motion by Personnel Committee/Siewert to pay for a tour package for an additional chaperone on the New York Trip. Motion Carried.

Motion by Personnel Committee/Johnson to accept the QIT presentation about personal days as presented with the following changes.

- Any unused personal days can be rolled over to sick days, but cannot be carried over to personal days.
- No more than two consecutive work days can be used as personal days without administrator approval.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Personnel Committee/Draeger to add Bowling to the Extra-Curricular payment schedule and to pay the advisor at 2%. Motion Carried.

Motion by Johnson/Siewert to approve Amanda Woods personal/unpaid leave request for April 20th – 25th, 2023 resulting in using her 1 ½ personal days and taking 2 ½ days unpaid. Motion Carried.

Policy (Second Reading)

Motion by Kolaske/Draeger to approve the new Policy 723.6 - Automated External Defibrillators (AED). Motion Carried.

New Business

Mr. Gruen presented the 2023-2024 calendars.

Motion by Siewert/Draeger to accept the 2023-2024 calendar as presented. Motion Carried.

Motion by Draeger/Johnson to allow Mr. Gruen purchase an additional van up to \$35,000.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Y), Johnson (Y), Kolaske (Y), Kwarcianny (Absent), Siewert (Y), Trapp (Y), and Wensch (Y).

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent – 1

Motion Carried

Communications

Administrative Report

Mr. Gruen stated the AP Government class will be holding the New School Board Member Candidate forum on Wednesday, March 29th at 6 p.m.

Mrs. Pustina stated our Occupational Therapist, Jaclyn Ganshirt, is not returning next year and Kim Vetuschi already has signed a contract for the 2023-2024 school year.

Mrs. Enger mentioned 85% attended Student Led Conferences. Literacy Night was well attended with about 150 students. Mrs. Enger stated there are three field study students from UW-Whitewater that started in the Elementary building. 4K Preview Day is on Friday, March 24th. The American Heart assembly raised over \$2,000. Finally, kindergarten and 2nd grade had vision testing last week.

Mr. O'Connell stated there are six field study students from UW-Whitewater that started in the Middle School. The Professional Foods Class and the Bluejay Café are partnering together to offer not only coffee, but breakfast items as well. Mr. O'Connell gave a shout-out to kids in Science Olympiad, Academic Bowl, Math Team, and Forensics for a job well done. The Juniors have completed the ACT and Forward testing will start in the Middle School tomorrow. Finally, the NHS induction dinner and the Middle School dance both went over well.

Board Member Comments

Brooklyn Patterson stated Track has started.

Mr. Johnson stated the Administration has done a good job with the Quality Improvement Team and providing staff with input on the school calendar.

Mrs. Kolaske mentioned she received a few different compliments on how the atmosphere around the school has changed this year.

Mr. Wensch thanked the Board and Administrative team for working with him through the years.

Committee Reports

None

Motion by Siewert/Draeger for the Board to conduct a closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 19.85(1)(b)(c) to consider employment, promotion, dismissal, compensation, or performance evaluation data of an individual employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Y), Johnson (Y), Kolaske (Y), Kwarciany (Absent), Siewert (Y), Trapp (Y), and Wensch (Y).

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent – 1

Motion Carried

The Board didn't return to open session.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart
District Administrative Assistant