

JOHNSON CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 15, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Elementary Music Room

President Mark Siewert called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Duane Draeger, Ken Johnson, Christina Norby, Mark Siewert, Natasha Steenbergen, and Wesley Trapp

Board Members Absent: June Kolaske

Also present: District Administrator Mark Gruen, Principal Neil O'Connell, Principal Melissa Enger, Special Education Director Stacy Pustina, Administrative Assistant Becky Stewart, and Student Representative Brooklyn Patterson, Rick Wensch, and Andrea Badon

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

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

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Steenbergen/Draeger to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of April 17, 2023. Motion Carried.

Community Viewpoint

None

Business Affairs/Treasurer's Report

Motion by Draeger/Steenbergen to approve Accounts Payable checks 243198-243459 in the amount of \$708,155.13, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 15751-15759 in the amount of \$3,563.06, and Payroll ETF transaction 900951894-900952131 in the amount of \$317,136.86.

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

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent – 1

Motion Carried

2022-23 Parent Transportation Contracts

Motion by Draeger/Steenbergen to approve the 2022-23 parent transportation contracts to have parents transport their own children to certain private schools, as presented. Motion Carried.

Motion by Steenbergen/Johnson to set the 2023-2024 fees at the 2022-2023 rates. Motion Carried.

Motion by Norby/Steenbergen to accept the 3 year (2023-2026) bid for Trash removal from GFL Environmental. Motion Carried.

Motion by Draeger/Johnson to accept the Fund 39 Defeasement proposal from Baird – scenario #2.

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

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent – 1

Motion Carried

Personnel

Motion by Steenbergen/Norby to accept Lisa Bigsby and Susan Goudreau’s resignation effective the end of the 2022-23 school year.

Motion by Norby/Steenbergen to hire Paraprofessional Danielle Emerick. Motion Carried.

Motion by Steenbergen/Draeger to move B ii (Speech and Language Pathologist) into closed session. Motion Carried.

Motion by Steenbergen/Draeger to add a ½ 4K and ½ Special Ed Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion Carried.

Motion by Johnson/Norby to approve the 2023 summer school contracts as presented. Motion Carried.

Motion by Norby/Draeger to approve the 2023-2024 extracurricular contracts as presented. Motion Carried.

New Business

Mrs. Stewart shared the 2023-2024 open enrollment numbers.

Motion by Norby/Steenbergen to approve the 2023-2024 open enrollment applications. Motion Carried.

Motion by Steenbergen/Norby to approve the 2023-2024 WASB Membership. Motion Carried.

Motion by Steenbergen/Johnson to confirm the Committee Appointments as modified. Motion Carried.

Communications

Administrative Report

Mr. O'Connell stated we will be sending four staff members to become trained new teacher mentors through CESA 2 in partnership with new teacher center. The first year of pre-ACT for 9th and 10th graders were completed. This year there were 8 AP exams. The FFA is currently having their annual plant sale. Mr. O'Connell mentioned Prom had just over 100 in attendance. Scholarship and Senior Exit interviews will be taking place over the next couple of days.

Mrs. Enger thanked Mr. Gruen and the School Board for the Staff Appreciation day on Friday. MAP testing wrapping up this week. Elementary students enjoyed Agriculture in the Classroom, which was hosted by middle and high school agriculture students. Mrs. Enger mentioned Friends of Our School Walking Fundraiser is on Friday, May 19th and Track and Field Day is Thursday, June 1st.

Mrs. Pustina mentioned Mental Health Night is tomorrow from 5:30 – 7 p.m. Mrs. Pustina stated Mrs. Hofman and herself are doing a Youth Mental Health Trainer class.

Mr. Gruen thanked the School Board members for their support on Friday for the Staff Appreciation and thanked the staff for the gift. Mr. Gruen also mentioned he is working with Mrs. Herman and Mrs. Hanna on getting the school garden started. They will be putting in five raised gardens.

Board Member Comments

Brooklyn stated State Forensics and Post Prom was really fun.

Mrs. Norby stated Mrs. Steenbergen and herself are attending the 2023 Spring Workshop for CESA 2 on Wednesday.

Mrs. Steenbergen stated on Saturday Johnson Creek Schools hosted an exchange point for the Ragnar Great Midwest running relay and earned a \$500 donation to One Team One Dream. She also stated there is a Bake sale at the High School concert tonight.

Mr. Johnson continues to be impressed by all the wonderful things going on in Johnson Creek. He also stated the Staff Appreciation day on Friday was great.

Mrs. Siewert echoed Mr. Johnson's comments.

Committee Reports

None

Motion by Draeger/Trapp for the Board to conduct a closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(b)(c)(e) and if the said Motion is adopted, then to hold a Closed Session immediately after approval of the said Motion to consider employment, promotion, dismissal, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction and to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of

public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Y), Johnson (Y), Kolaske (Absent), Norby (Y), Siewert (Y), Steenbergen (Y), and Trapp (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