

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON CREEK  
**Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, May 21, 2012**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Elementary Music Room**

**Call to Order:** President Tina Roehl called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**The Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge of allegiance was recited by those present.

**Roll Call of Attendance:** Mr. Draeger, Mr. Kaltenberg, Mrs. O'Neil, Mrs. Roehl, and Mrs. McCaffery

**Members Absent:** Mrs. Loeb, Mr. Swanson, and Student Representative Jessica Cwirla.

**Also present:** Superintendent Michael P. Garvey, Ph.D., Principal Kris Blakeley, Director of Teaching and Learning Lisa Krohn, Director of Building and Grounds Dan Fischer, JCEA Representatives Roberta Gray and Ken Johnson, Victoria Murphy, Stephen Murphy, and Aleczandra Kulig

**Verification of Public Notice Pursuant to s. 19.84(1) Wis. Statutes:** Dr. Garvey verified the meeting was properly posted.

**Agenda Revisions/Approval:** Motion by Draeger/Kaltenberg to adopt the agenda as posted with the exception of moving item 14 A to a Special School Board meeting.  
Motion carried.

### **Community Viewpoint**

Victoria Murphy addressed the Board regarding bullying. Mrs. Roehl informed those present that we do have a policy regarding bullying. The steps are to talk with the principal, talk to the Superintendent and then to write a letter to the School Board to request a closed session meeting with the Board. Mrs. Kulig commented on a letter her attorney wrote to the School Board.

### **School Board Re-Organization**

Tina Roehl was nominated by McCaffery/Kaltenberg for President of the School Board. Motion was made by McCaffery/O'Neil to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Tina Roehl for President. Motion carried by voice vote.

Rich Kaltenberg was nominated by Draeger/McCaffery for Vice President of the School Board. Motion was made by O'Neil/McCaffery to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rick Kaltenberg for Vice President. Motion carried by voice vote.

Kellie Loeb was nominated by McCaffery/Kaltenberg for Clerk of the School Board. Motion was made by O'Neil/McCaffery to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Kellie Loeb for Clerk. Motion carried by voice vote.

June McCaffery was nominated by O'Neil/Draeger for Treasurer of the School Board. Motion was made by O'Neil/Draeger to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for June McCaffery for treasurer. Motion carried by voice vote.

### 2012-2013 Designations

Motion was made by O'Neil/McCaffery to designate Badger Bank as the School District's official Depository.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y

Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

Motion was made by McCaffery/Kaltenberg to designate Larry Steen as the District's legal counsel.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y

Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

Motion was made by McCaffery/Kaltenberg to set the School Board meeting dates and times on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. starting in June, 2012. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by McCaffery/O'Neil to designate the Watertown Times as the School District's official newspaper. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by Kaltenberg/Draeger to appoint June McCaffery as the WASB delegate. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by McCaffery/Draeger to appoint Rick Kaltenberg as the WASB delegate alternate. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by McCaffery/Kaltenberg to appoint Duane Draeger as the CESA #2 delegate. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by McCaffery/Draeger to appoint Carol O'Neil as the Village Liaison. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by McCaffery/Kaltenberg to appoint Andrew Swanson as the Board's representative to the Johnson Creek Education Foundation. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by McCaffery/Kaltenberg to appoint Rick Kaltenberg as the Board's representative on the Village Park Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

## Communications

### A. JCEA Representatives to the Board

Roberta Gray reported for the Elementary School.

- Kindergarten had the Mother's Day Spa and are going to Betty Brinn Children's Museum in Milwaukee
- First grade had Mother's Day program
- Third grade had pioneer day put on by the Historical Society and will visit the one room school in Elkhorn this Friday
- Fourth grade finished their wax museum projects on famous Wisconsin people
- Food service and High School student council held the annual spring picnic.
- Map testing was last week and this week
- The Art Show featuring "best works" by all students grades 1-6 will be Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> until 6:00 pm
- Grades 1-5 are making poppy posters to submit to the local contest
- Holocaust survivor and author, Henry Golde, was very well received by students, staff and the community.
- Track and Field Day is Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at Cambridge
- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Listening Project teams both received I ratings at the Regional Festival
- 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> grades have all earned their Recorder Karate belts

Ken Johnson reported for Jr./Sr. High School

- Students are talking about final exams
- Awards Day is Friday
- Baseball team and Softball team are having a very successful year
- Junior High Track finished up with 23 participants
- Prom was very successful
- We were awarded the Trailways South Division Sportsmanship's plaque
- Athletic Banquet is June 6th

### B. JCESA Representative to the Board

Not present

### C. Student Representative Report

Not present

### D. Superintendent Update

- We are still working out details on open enrollment students.

- We have met with Wendy Wilke, the niece of Isabelle Meade. Isabelle's estate is wishing to donate a lot on South Street to be used for an educational purpose.
- Del Behling is back to work and doing well
- Roger Sonnenberg is retiring as of June 30
- Negotiations Committee needs to meet and continue working on handbook
- Best Friends presentation is Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>
- Graduation plans are moving along

E. Principals Update

Mrs. Blakeley reported:

- Mrs. Gray has received the Honorable Mention for Channel 15's Crystal Apple award
- On May 30<sup>th</sup>, 4K is having an ice cream social.
- On June 6<sup>th</sup> will be the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> grade awards
- Smiles for Life has contacted us. They do instructions on basic oral hygiene.
- Closing up with Map testing and getting report cards done.

Mr. Ranzen submitted a written report. (See attached)

F. Director of Teaching and Learning

Mrs. Krohn reported:

- Our teachers have been collaborating with others
- Went to the Institute for Discovery and have developed a partnership with them

G. Director of Building and Grounds

- Been busy with baseball and softball seasons
- Getting ready for graduation

H. Board member comments

Mrs. O'Neil reported Kohls is putting a new front on their store. Badger Bank is putting up a new sign.

Mr. Draeger asked about the recycling day.

Mrs. McCaffery asked about the last community meeting. Mrs. McCaffery would like a student representative picked now to begin right away in September. Mrs. McCaffery commented on how well the holocaust assembly was received by all who had the opportunity to attend. Sub pay was given.

Mrs. Roehl commented on how amazing the choir performed at their concert.

I. Board Committee Reports

Negotiations

Mr. Kaltenberg reported continued work on the Employee Handbook. Insurance for next year came through with a 7.9% increase which is under the 10% increase cap.

J. **Village Liaison** – Already gave report

**CESA 2** – Mr. Draeger reported not much going on. CESA 2 had their delegate convention.

**Park Committee** – Mrs. McCaffery reported there was no meeting.

**Recreation Committee** – Mrs. Roehl reported meeting twice. The new committee chair is Greg Schopp.

**Newsletter Committee** – Mrs. O’Neil reported that the summer edition is going to print.

**Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 16, 2012.**

Motion by Draeger/Kaltenberg to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 16 2012. Motion carried.

**Business Affairs/Treasurer’s Report:**

Approval to pay bills:

Moved by McCaffery/Draeger to pay accounts payable checks #217276 – 217511, excluding #217344 in the amount of \$541,933.74 and payroll checks #14081 - 14121 in the amount of \$11,996.54, there were no wire transfers, and payroll ETF #900921522 - 900921744 in the amount of \$230,787.25.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O’Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y

Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

Motion by McCaffery /Kaltenberg to pay WEA /Retirement #217344 in the amount of \$9,366.37.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O’Neil –  
abstained, Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y

Yes – 4      No – 0      Absent – 2      Abstained – 1      Motion carried

There were no budget adjustments.

Motion by O'Neil/Kaltenberg to approve the activity account application for Europe 2013.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y  
Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

### **Personnel**

Motion by Draeger/Kaltenberg to approve:

- Resignation of bus driver Harry Schnulle
- Resignation of maintenance staff Roger Sonnenberg
- Hiring van driver Kenneth Steffan
- Hiring Math teacher Clayton Kreger
- Hiring English teacher Paul Bredesen
- Approve Guidance Counselor Merry Frank's extended contract
- Hire Brett Perucco and Paul Bredesen as Cross Country Coaches for 2012-13

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y  
Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

Motion by Draeger/O'Neil to approve hiring up to six students for summer help as needed.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y  
Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

Dr. Garvey gave an update on 2012-13 staffing. At a recent Curriculum Committee meeting, the Committee showed concern about the High School test scores. The Administrative team met to discuss how to address some of the issues. The Administrative team recommends an interventionist position be created at the Middle School/High School. If approved, they will appoint Melissa Christian to the position. Stacy Menting will serve the Elementary full time. This will move Mr. Brockert to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The team taught first grade class room will be split into two separate classes for the 2012-13 school year.

Mr. Ranzen is still meeting with Tech Ed substitutes for first semester. If no suitable candidate is found, the Administrators recommend that the schedule be changed and those 1<sup>st</sup> semester classes assigned to Mr. Klatt not be held.

Motion by McCaffery/O'Neil to have an interventionist at the High School.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y  
Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

## **Sites and Facilities**

Committee report was given by Mr. Draeger. The Committee talked about the farm lease, Crossroads Children's Church being held in the Elementary School and the monolithic dome school that they toured.

Motion by Committee/O'Neil to renew the farm lease with the Nielsen Trust at the same terms as 2011-12.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y  
Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

Motion by Committee/O'Neil to approve the building use lease with Crossroads Church as presented.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y  
Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

## **Curriculum**

### Committee Report

The Curriculum Committee met with History teacher Marcus Novak. Mr. Novak presented the AP History class he will be teaching next year and the textbooks he would like to order.

Mrs. Miner discussed the FACE program, new classes she would like to offer and textbooks she would like to order.

Ms. Schutt talked about some of the apprenticeships and some of the projects she is doing with her students.

The Committee postponed the discussion of middle school athletics.

### Middle School Sports

The Board discussed Athletics offered to 6<sup>th</sup> graders for the 2012-13 school year. Based upon the recommendation of Athletic Director Ken Johnson, 6<sup>th</sup> graders will have access to cross country, wrestling, and track.

## **New Business**

Motion by McCaffery/Draeger to approve the WIAA Senior High Membership.

Roll call vote: Draeger – Y, Kaltenberg – Y, Loeb – absent, McCaffery – Y, O'Neil – Y,  
Swanson – absent, Roehl – Y  
Yes – 5      No – 0      Absent – 2      Motion carried

**Adjourn**

Motion by Draeger/Kaltenberg to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn J. Anderson  
Administrative Assistant