

JOHNSON CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 17, 2018
6:00 p.m.
Weis Center

Vice President Mark Siewert called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Duane Draeger, Heidi Hartz, June Kolaske, Jennifer Malueg, Carol O'Neil, Mark Siewert

Board Members Absent: Richard Wrench

Also present: Superintendent Michael Garvey, Principal Neil O'Connell, Principal Melissa Enger, Director of Teaching and Learning Lisa Krohn, Administrative Assistant Becky Stewart, Student Representative Hannah Constable, Newspaper Reporter Gabriella Neurock, and Sam Hernandez

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

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

Conduct the Annual Budget Hearing

Mr. Siewert appointed Rebecca Stewart to be the secretary of the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting.

State of the District 2018

Dr. Garvey gave his annual State of the District report. During his report he stated:

- “Student population continues to increase.
- We are half way through with our athletic fields’ project and half way through with our fundraising. We will need to hit fundraising hard again this year.
- Over the past ten years, we have seen a tremendous change in curriculum and our instructional practices. As you know, these changes have been the result of very hard work by our staff and students. Over this time, we have seen full implementation of personalized learning. Students are showing incredible progress on our MAP tests. We have increased the number of AP courses we offer and our students are being more successful than ever before.
- We continue to have districts visit our buildings to see personalized learning in action. Through work with UW-Madison we are gaining national attention.
- As we have done in the past with our paraprofessionals becoming teachers, we promoted instructional staff from within. We welcomed Melissa Enger as our new elementary school principal straight out of 11 years as a kindergarten teacher in the District. We moved another kindergarten teacher into the role of Innovations/Media Specialist placing Mr. Cheek in a position to oversee our Libraries and Flex Learning Centers. Stacy

Pustina who joined, our staff last year as the school Psychologist, had her responsibilities increased as she became our Director of Pupil Services.”

Budget Review

Dr. Garvey stated the 2018-19 proposed budget:

- Continues to update the curriculum and instructional practice.
- Supports instructional practices that promote individualized instruction so that every student meets his or her potential.
- Continues financial health of the District.

Dr. Garvey reviewed the Budget.

Dr. Garvey explained the revenue limit process. He also reminded Board members that even though the Annual Meeting will set an advisory levy, by statute, the final levy must be set by November 1st, by the Board.

Motion by O’Neil/Malweg to recess the Board meeting in order to convene the Annual Meeting. Motion Carried.

Following the Annual Meeting, the Board meeting resumed.

Community Viewpoint

None

Communications

Principal Reports

Mr. O’Connell stated all but two students attended 5th grade orientation before the regular school year started. Parents thought it was informative and learned what to expect throughout the year. From the parents who attended the September 5th Back to School Night Mr. O’Connell received a lot of positive feedback. MAPS testing in the Middle School was last week. Homecoming week started today. The parade will be at 5:30 p.m. on Friday with the game at 7 p.m. against Fall River for the Conference Championship.

Mrs. Enger stated the Elementary Open house was highly attended with only about 2-4 students per class that did not show. The start of the school year is going well and staff has been extremely positive and supportive. Mrs. Enger mentioned that field trips are starting for the elementary. Mrs. Enger and Dr. Garvey met with her UW Supervisor and her grad classes start back up on Friday. Picture day for the Elementary was today.

Director of Teaching and Learning

Mrs. Krohn mentioned the last week of August she met with teachers and set schedules. A reporter from Milwaukee Public Radio visited to do a story on Personalized Learning and to

complete follow up research for National Public Radio. NPR is doing a piece on Personalized Learning with Johnson Creek being part of their report. She is beginning to bring in fall student data with the start of MAP testing last week.

Board Member Comments

Mrs. Hartz welcomed Hannah Constable as the Student Board Representative.

Mrs. O'Neil looked into some possible grants, but the Johnson Creek School District doesn't qualify for them.

Mrs. Malueg went to both open houses and thought that they were very well done.

Hannah Constable stated Homecoming started today.

Mr. Siewert mentioned that there is a lot of good communication coming from the high school classrooms.

Committee Reports

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Draeger/O'Neil to Approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of August 20, 2018. Motion Carried.

Business Affairs/Treasurer's Report

Motion by Kolaske/O'Neil to approve Accounts Payable checks 232571-232074 in the amount of \$649,924.29, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 15262-15264 in the amount of \$1,821.35 and Payroll ETF transaction 900939327-900939441 in the amount of \$100,476.22. Motion Carried.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Y), Hartz (Y), Kolaske (Y), Malueg (Y), O'Neil (Y), Siewert (Y), and Wensch (Absent).

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent – 1

Motion Carried

There were no budget adjustments.

Personnel

Motion by Kolaske/Hartz to hire Amanda Woods as the Elementary Student Council advisor. Motion Carried.

New Business

Motion by Draeger/O'Neil to accept the proposal from TSP to provide pre referendum services to the District. Motion Carried.

Motion by Malueg/Hartz to accept the early graduation request for Geannie Heil. Motion Carried.

A Special Board Meeting will be held Monday, September 24th at 5:30 p.m. in the District Board room.

The October Regular Board meeting will be Monday, October 29th at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Music room instead of October 15th.

Motion by Draeger/Malueg to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart
District Administrative Assistant