

JOHNSON CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 16, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Elementary Music Room

President Richard Wrensch called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Duane Draeger, Ken Johnson, Mark Siewert, Wesley Trapp, and Richard Wrensch

Board Members Absent: June Kolaske and Janelle Kwarciany

Also present: District Administrator Mark Gruen, Principal Neil O’Connell, Principal Melissa Enger, Administrative Assistant Becky Stewart, Student Representative Brooklyn Patterson, Natasha Steenbergen, Carol O’Neil, Paula Constable, Jeffrey Constable, and Christina Norby

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

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

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Draeger/Trapp to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of December 19, 2022. Motion Carried.

Community Viewpoint

Jeffrey Constable invited everyone to the Fifth Annual Let’s Make a Laugh fundraiser on Saturday, February 11th, 2023 at Berres Brothers Cafe from 5-9 p.m.

Business Affairs/Treasurer’s Report

Motion by Draeger/Trapp to approve Accounts Payable checks 242436-242604 in the amount of \$653,080.19, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 15726-15727 in the amount of \$128.00, and Payroll ETF transaction 900950867-900951094 in the amount of \$304,716.77.

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

Yes – 5

No – 0

Absent – 2

Motion Carried

66.0301 Agreement

Motion by Johnson/Draeger to approve a 66.0301 contract (Alternative Ed) with Lake Mills for the remainder of the 2022-23 school year. Motion Carried.

Motion by Draeger/Johnson to approve purchasing 137 Chromebooks for \$26,775.28. Motion Carried.

Personnel

Motion by Siewert/Trapp to accept Yvette Messmer’s resignation. Motion Carried.

Motion by Johnson/Draeger to hire MS Track and Field Coach Allison Beirl. Motion Carried.

New Business

Motion by Draeger/Siewert to approve the Food Service job description. Motion Carried.

Motion by Johnson/Siewert to approve requesting an early start date for the 2023-2024 school year.

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

Yes – 4

No – 1

Absent – 2

Motion Carried

Open Enrollment Space Determination

Motion by Siewert/Trapp to set the open enrollment limits for the 2023-24 school year at:

Regular Education Recommendations: No space limits will be placed upon regular education applicants.

Special Education Recommendations: For the purpose of accepting non-resident open enrollment applications for the 2023-2024 school year, due to staffing shortages, the following program limits are established for the District’s special education programs:

- Early Childhood Program: 0 spaces available
- Elementary cross-categorical: 0 spaces available
- Middle School cross-categorical grades 5-8: 0 spaces available
- High School cross-categorical grades 5-8: 0 spaces available

Because of the current numbers of students with identified needs, current staffing levels, current contracted services levels and space available, the district will not accept open enrollment applications for students with the following needs:

- Students who require services for a vision impairment or a deaf/hard of hearing impairment
- Students who require occupational therapy or physical therapy
- Students who require behavioral support

The available spaces are based upon a level 1 service designation of a child’s disability. Consequently, it is understood that an accepted open enrollment applicant may fill more than one

of the open spaces based upon the distinct individual needs as listed in the child's IEP, thus reducing the number of applicants accepted. It is also understood that in the case of students with disabilities, the district may deny open enrollment based upon other factors than lack of space, including the inability to meet the needs outlined in the student's IEP.

Spring Election

Mr. Gruen announced that Natasha Steenbergen is the candidate in the spring election and will be listed on the ballot first. There is also one uncontested seat. The deadline to be placed on the ballot has passed, but interested candidates may become certified write-in candidates now. Janelle Kwarciany and Richard Wrensch's terms expired and choose not to run again. There will not be a primary for school board. Electors will be asked to vote for up to two candidates.

Communications

Administrative Report

Mrs. Enger stated MAPS testing starts this week. Bucks mascot Bango is coming on Thursday and the Bucks game is on Wednesday, January 25th for the Elementary Bucks Reading Program. The Elementary PJ Dance is on Thursday, January 19th in the Weis Center. Mrs. Enger also stated she is starting to send out "Blaze on Bluejays" each Friday for positive things going on.

Mr. O'Connell mentioned Mrs. Morris's Modern History class interviewed senior residents of The View Assisted Living. Coco and Cram started tonight to help students prepare for exams, which start on Friday. Deputy Bill Dandoy is coming on Friday for a refresher on intruder training with staff.

Mr. Gruen reminded the Board he is at the WASB Convention Wednesday – Friday this week.

Board Member Comments

Ms. Patterson stated she enjoyed the Oral History project.

Mr. Draeger stated there should be a Sites meeting.

Mr. Wrensch mentioned the concession money should maybe come back to OTOD, instead of Booster Club.

Committee Reports

None

Motion by Draeger/Johnson to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart
District Administrative Assistant