

JOHNSON CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 18, 2024
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, Student Representative Kiya Imig, Richard Wensch, Charles Moehling, Dennis Schwerm, Rosemary Schwerm, Compeer Financial (Brittany Heine), and Andrea Badon

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

Motion by Steenbergen/Draeger 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 February 19, 2024. Motion Carried.

Community Viewpoint

None

WASDA Child Advocacy Award District Recognition

Dennis and Rosemary Schwerm and Compeer Financial (Brittany Heine) received the WASDA Child Advocacy Award from Mr. Gruen.

Business Affairs/Treasurer’s Report

Motion by Draeger/Steenbergen to approve Accounts Payable checks 245164-245308 in the amount of \$2,732,983.89, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 15803-15808 in the amount of \$2,240.90, and Payroll ETF transaction 900954244-900954488 in the amount of \$352,361.11.

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 Norby/Draeger to approve Fitness Center Supervisor Jenna Edl, Volunteer Track Coach Sharon Fotso, and Assistant Baseball Coach Timothy Wagner.

Motion Denied.

Motion by Draeger/Johnson to approve Fitness Center Supervisor Jenna Edl and Volunteer Track Coach Sharon Fotso. Motion Carried.

Motion by Draeger/Trapp to table the hiring of the additional Assistant Baseball Coach Timothy Wagner to the April meeting. Motion Carried.

Motion by Johnson/Steenbergen to approve Marc Blakeley's request for the use of a personal day the Friday (March 22nd) before Spring Break. Motion Carried.

Old Business

Motion by Steenbergen/Johnson to approve the new Certified Survey Map that Attorney Larry Steen has been working on and to approve Mark Gruen and/or Mark Siewert to take it to meet with a representative from Crossroads and a notary to sign it. Motion Carried.

New Business

Motion by Draeger/Steenbergen to approve the FBLA field trip to Green Bay. Motion Carried.

Motion by Norby/Steenbergen to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar. Motion Carried.

Motion by Norby/Draeger to approve the Start College Now request for two students to take Calculus 3 at Madison College. Motion Carried.

No action was taken on the moving of the April Board meeting from April 15th to a different date.

Communications

Administrative Report

Mr. Gruen congratulated John Burke on being enshrined into the Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Hall of Fame. He also complimented how awesome the musical The Wizard of Oz was.

Mr. O'Connell stated National Honor Society had their inductions. He also mentioned that the Blood Drive was very successful. The ACT was 100% attended and no make-ups will be required. Spring Sports started today as well.

Mrs. Enger stated 82% attended parent teacher conferences. The Book Fair made over \$5,000. Literacy Night was well attended. The Elementary has been busy with Pie Day, Vision Screening, Dental Clinic, and the 3rd Grade World Fair.

Mrs. Pustina stated The Little Jays Program held their first session on March 14. Jefferson County Health Department put on a Knowledge is Power Series in the Weis Center. Mental Health Night will be May 7th.

Board Member Comments

Mr. Draeger is hearing a lot of positive feedback on the referendum.

Mr. Siewert gave a shout on the musical.

Mr. Johnson is continued to be amazed at all the good things. Mr. Johnson also mentioned we need to respond to George Nimm's Voice of the People in the Watertown Daily Times.

Mrs. Steenbergen stated she enjoyed the musical.

Mrs. Norby mentioned she enjoyed the musical as well and the cupcakes made by the Advanced Foods class that would benefit The Johnson Creek Culinary and Music programs.

Committee Reports

None

Motion by Draeger/Norby to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart
District Administrative Assistant