

Board Minutes

July 25, 2022

The regular meeting of the Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools Board of Trustees was held at the Jasper High School Community Room on July 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. President Bernie Vogler called the meeting to order.

Consent Agenda:

Mr. Vogler asked members if any of the consent agenda items needed to be discussed.

Monica Young asked the Board to approve payment to Harmonic Electronics in the amount of \$16,877.00.

No other items were asked to be discussed.

A motion by Tim DeMotte, second by Ken Schnaus, to approve the consent agenda, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Consent Agenda

- Minutes, claims and bank reconciliations
- Consideration of Request for Leave
 - Cassidy Nalley-FMLA-JHS
 - Valerie Small-FMLA-JES
- Resignations/Retirements
 - Jeanie Scherer-28 hour-Title I Instructional Assistant-JES
 - Laura Gramelspacher-28 hour-Title I Instructional Assistant-JES
 - Marissa Wehr-28 hour ENL Instructional Assistant-JES
 - Ruth Bush-Part-time Cafeteria-JMS
 - Braxton Mann-Assistant Football Coach-JHS
- Staff Recommendations
 - Kelly Lehmkuhler-move from classroom teacher to 210-day Technology Integration Specialist/Coordinator-GJCS
 - Reyne Vollmer-Teacher-IRE
 - Lisa Wren-28 hour-Title I Instructional Assistant-JES
 - Chelsey Hopf-28 hour-Instructional Assistant-JES
 - Amber Czerwinski-28 hour Instructional Assistant-JES
 - KariAnn Scherzinger-Bus Duty (1/2 stipend)-IRE
 - Scott Blazey-Girls' Assistant Soccer Coach (1/2 stipend)-JHS
 - Jay Hamlin-Girls' Assistant Soccer Coach- (1/2 stipend)-JHS
 - Zach Worm-Move to Varsity Assistant Wrestling Coach-JHS
 - Keechan Ware-JV Wrestling Coach (1/2 stipend)-JHS
 - Lori Reed-Behavior Consultant-DSP Co-op
- Incentive Program Completion/Increase-adds \$3,000 to Base Salary
 - None
- Field Trip Requests
 - None
- Other
 - Increase Board Meeting Stipend from \$1500/year to \$2000/year for Monica Young (Beginning July 2022)

- Increase Preschool Administration Stipend from \$2500 to \$3000 for Angie Sander due to the addition of the Ireland PreK Program

The Board received the proposed FY 23 Budget summary, CPF Plan and Bus Replacement Plan. As a result, she asked the Board permission to advertise on the Department Local Government Finance Gateway site on August 9. As well as fulfilling the legal requirements to post the CPF and Bus Replacement Plans on the district website.

The 2023 advertised tax rate is \$2.0125. This is significantly inflated the advertised tax rate to ensure the corporation captures the maximum levy in the Operations Fund. The actual tax rate will be determined by the DLGF and will depend upon the certified AV for 2023, property tax caps and the corporation assessment of the rate against the budgetary needs. The tax rate will be much lower than the advertised tax rate.

Dr. Lorey informed the Board the Public Hearing will be at the August 22 Board Meeting. The Budget Adoption meeting will be at the September 26th Board meeting.

Mr. Schnaus asked questions about the debt information.

Dr. Lorey talked about the debt payment information.

Dr. Lorey stated having the Public Hearing gives people the ability to express their concerns.

Mr. Vogler asked if the new tax rate will be close to the current tax rate of \$1.11.

Dr. Lorey stated it should be.

A motion by Ken Schnaus, second by Greg Eckerle, to give permission to advertise the proposed 2023 Budget on Gateway and the CPF and Bus Replacement Plans on the district website, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Curriculum Update-Mrs. Fawks

Mrs. Fawks shared information with the Board regarding the 2022 ILEARN assessment results. She showed the Board comparisons between school corporations. She also informed the Board the information is not apple to apples because of demographics. Enrollment, Socio-economic status, special education population , English Learner population all play a part in the test results.

Mrs. Fawks addressed the following:

- Statewide District Proficiency Rates
- District Disaggregated
- GJCS 2021 & 2022 Proficiency Rates
- Standards Level Data

Mr. Eckerle asked what does the Indiana Department of Education think of the low scores.

Dr. Lorey stated they are saying the pandemic has something to do with it.

Mr. Eckerle asked if they are going to address the issues with the test.

Dr. Lorey stated the test is challenging. She stated kids are asked to pick the answer that does not fit and that is hard for some to do. They also have to describe the steps and solve the steps in math problems. She stated state assessment presents a lot of challenges and she doesn't foresee that changing. She also stated demographics are different in other areas.

Mr. Vogler asked if special ed students and non-English students are given the test.

Mrs. Fawks stated only the severe students are not given the test. She did say some students get accommodations like getting the test read to them. An ENL Student has to be enrolled in school a certain length of time in order to be given the test.

Student Support Services and Transportation Update—Mr. Buechlein

Mr. Buechlein informed the Board all the bus routes have drivers. Jade Wehr will be driving Bus 9C. Gerri Buchta will be driving 13C which is a full day route. Jean Marc Devarier will be driving Route 13 that was Angie Kern's route. He stated Mrs. Kern will be missed and that she drove bus for 42 years.

Mr. Buechlein informed the Board fuel prices are fluctuating and he would like to adjust the extra-curricular travel reimbursement in September and January like he does for the bus route drivers. A motion by Tim Demotte, second by Arlet Jackle, to approve the extra-curricular travel reimbursement adjustment, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Buechlein stated the new radio tower is up and it was a good sign it withstood the storm and winds this past weekend. The goal of relocating the tower onto the JHS campus by the softball fields was to improve transmission especially to the 2 northern schools, JES and JMS. Additionally, the tower through propagation studies is actually 1.5 miles closer to Ireland. The tower will also provide a network link for the GJCS radio station.

Building & Maintenance Update—Scott Stenftenagel

Mr. Stenftenagel asked the Board to approve to advertise for bids for the JHS CTE expansion and renovation project and the JHS Band and Maintenance Storage Building.

Mr. DeMotte asked if they heard any concerns from the neighbors.

Mr. Stenftenagel stated the meeting with the neighbors went well.

A motion by Greg Eckerle, second by Ken Schnaus, to approve to advertise bids for the above projects, was unanimously approved by the Board.

The following project updates were discussed:

- Bus Maintenance Building
- JES Classroom Addition
- JES Tot-Lot Playground Expansion Excavation & Drainage Project
- JMS Auditorium Theatrical Lighting Improvements
- JHS Community Room and Athletic Department Floor Covering Improvements
- JHS Athletic Hall of Fame
- Ireland Elementary Mechanical Room Expansion & HVAC Improvements
- Cabby O’Neil Gymnasium Roof Replacement
- District Wide Renovations
 - Ireland Elementary HVAC and Finishes Improvements and Classroom Addition Project
 - JHS HVAC Mechanical Improvements
 - Alumni Stadium Improvements

Other Business:

Dr. Lorey asked the Board to declare computer equipment surplus.

A motion by Arlet Jackle, second by Greg Eckerle, to declare the computer equipment surplus, was unanimously approved by the Board. A list is enclosed

Dr. Lorey asked the Board to approve the 2022-2023 cafeteria contracts for milk, bread, food products and other commodities.

Mr. Eckerle asked about food price increases.

Dr. Lorey said they have increased but didn’t have numbers of how much it increased.

A motion by Arlet Jackle, second by Ken Schnaus, to approve Prairie Farms to provide milk, Klosterman Bakery to provide bread and for CRS One Source and Wabash Food Service to provide commodities, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Dr. Lorey asked the Board permission to advertise a Public Hearing for an increase to approve appropriations in the Education.

The current approved appropriations in the Education Fund per the FY22 1782 Notice is \$20,246,666. She is concerned that this appropriation may not be enough to cover the FY 22 expenditures from the Education Fund. The corporation is on track to receive approximately \$23,448,302. She is seeking additional permission to spend \$1,500,000. This would allow the corporation to manage the remaining expenditures from the Education Fund for the remainder of the calendar year. As part of the process, the corporation will hold a public hearing at the August Board Meeting. At this time, they will seek permission to advertise the necessary Notice to Taxpayers regarding the Additional Appropriation and Public Hearing.

A motion by Greg Eckerle, second by Arlet Jackle, to give permission to advertise for a Public Hearing to increase appropriations in the Education Fund, was unanimously approved by the Board.

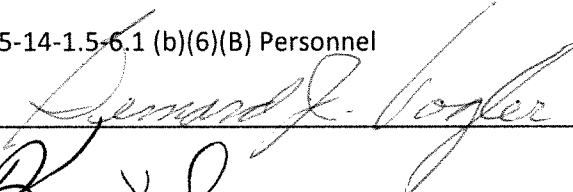
Dr. Lorey made the following announcements:

- The first day of school for all Teachers will be Tuesday, August 9 and the first day for students is Wednesday, August 10
- The regular August Board meeting will be on Monday, August 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the Jasper High School Community Room
- ISBA/IAPSS Fall Conference will be held October 3-4, 2022

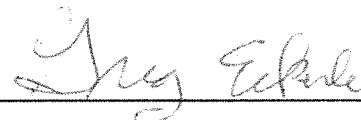
There being no further business to conduct and upon a motion by Tim DeMotte, second by Arlet Jackle , the Board voted to adjourn at 8:11 p.m.

An Executive Session was held before the regular meeting.

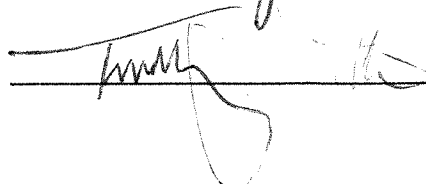
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Item Model Number	Type	Count
Lenovo 7269-E4U	Desktop Tower	67
Dell DCTR	Desktop Tower	1
HP Compaq dc5800	Desktop Tower	4
Lenovo ThinkCenter M78	Desktop Tower	22
SYX DH67BL	Desktop Tower	19
HP LP2465	Monitor	1
Dell 2208WFPf	Monitor	1
Dell 1703FPs	Monitor	1
ViewSonic VS14758	Monitor	2
Lenovo L2060wA	Monitor	4
Planar PT1510MX-BK	Monitor	4
Elo E719160	Monitor	2
Asus VW193	Monitor	60
Apple iMac Core i5 3.0 (4k, Mid-2017)	AIO	3
Apple iMac Core i5 Mid-2011	AIO	5
Lenovo ThinkCenter M71z	AIO	12
SMART SBM680	Panel	5
ESPON Brightlink 585Wi	Projector	8
Dell 1209S	Projector	1
SHARP PG-C45X	Projector	1
SHARP PG-F211X	Projector	1
Kyocera FS-1010	Printer	1
Kyocera FS-820	Printer	3
HP LaserJet 4100tn	Printer	1
Kyocera FS-C5030N	Printer	1
Brother MFC-9840CDW	Printer	1
HP 11 G5 EE	Chromebook	35
Lenovo N23	Chromebook	253
HP 11 G5	Chromebook	300
Acer Chromebook C720-ZHN	Chromebook	12
Acer N20H1	Laptop	6

Acer N16Q15	1	Laptop
Lenovo N24 - 81AF	1	Laptop
HP ProBook x360 11 G1 EE	2	Laptop
HP ProBook 650 G2	85	Laptop
HP ProBook 650 G3	17	Laptop
Dell Latitude E6420	26	Laptop
Dell Latitude E7440	37	Laptop
Lenovo ThinkPad 2847	3	Laptop
2012 MacBook Air	2	Laptop
2013 iPad Mini	18	iPad
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HP ProCurve 2520G-24-PoE Switch	1	Switch
HP 2920-24G Switch	1	Switch
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