

Board Minutes
April 22, 2024

The regular meeting of the Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools Board of Trustees was held at the Jasper High School Community Room on April 22, at 7:00 p.m. President Greg Eckerle called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by everyone in attendance.

Public Comment:

None

Consent Agenda:

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

No other items were asked to be discussed.

A motion by Dr. Englert, second by Steve Lukemeyer, to approve the consent agenda, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Consent Agenda

- Minutes, claims and bank reconciliations
- Consideration of Request for Leave
 - As presented to the Board of Trustees
- Resignations/Retirements
 - Sherry Knies-Elementary Teacher-Retirement effective end of the 23-24 school year
 - Pam Egbert-Secretary-JMS
 - Karen Patton-Instructional Assistant-JHS-Retirement effective end of the 23-24 school year
 - Ashley O'Connor-1/2 Spell Bowl Coach Stipend-IRE
 - Alexa Chappel-Bus Duty-IRE
- Staff Recommendations
 - Kena Robling-Secretary-JMS
 - Sharon Leinenbach-Secretary-JHS
 - Hailey Hurst-1/2 Spell Bowl Coach Stipend-IRE
 - Tessa Dunfee-Bus Duty-IRE
 - Aaliyah Peraza-28 Hour Instructional Assistant-JES
 - Mason Schoenbachler-Summer Technology Intern-May 28-August 6-2024
 - 2024-2025 Teaching Positions
 - Alexa Chappell-Elementary-IRE
 - Journey Sturgeon-Special Education-Ire
 - Brittnay Scherer-Elementary-JES
 - Katie Frederick-Elementary-JES
 - Kim Gentry-Elementary-JES
 - Kayla Eisenhut-Special Education-JES
 - Kaitlyn Henke-Math-JHS
 - Jennifer Winder-English-JHS
 - Ashley O'Connor-Transfer from Special Education to PreK-IRE
 - Kevin Schipp-Transfer from JES to JMS

A RESOLUTION OF THE GREATER JASPER CONSOLIDATED
SCHOOL CORPORATION TO SELL PROPERTY TO THE COMMON COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
(Site for the Regional Wellness Center)

WHEREAS, the City of Jasper, Indiana (“City”) has been in discussions with the Tri County YMCA for more than ten (10) years regarding establishing a “Y” to serve the community of Jasper;

WHEREAS, in August 2019, the City adopted the “Impact Jasper Comprehensive Plan” (“Comprehensive Plan”) to serve as the official roadmap guiding the City’s vision over the course of 5 to 10 years;

WHEREAS, through significant public engagement, key City priorities were established including:

1. Attract and retain workforce talent by providing additional health, wellness, and recreational amenities.
2. Become a fitness-friendly community by increasing access to nutrition and physical activity options.
3. Significantly expand program opportunities for families, teen, seniors, especially during the winter season.
4. Work with educators and local organizations to offer more quality and affordable early learning options.
5. Focus on a regional mindset, not a local community.

WHEREAS, the Tri-County YMCA and the City have developed a plan for the Regional Wellness Center, including a facility that will house a fitness center, multiple gymnasiums, indoor aquatic center, indoor elevated track, group exercise studios and multiple community rooms, including a community kitchen;

WHEREAS, in collaboration with the Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools (“School”), an Early Learning Center is being planned as one component of the Regional Wellness Center, to serve more than 200 children, ages three through five;

WHEREAS, both the City and the School recognize that the Regional Wellness Center will serve as a community hub of activity to provide solutions and to better serve the vast needs of the region, a gathering space, a destination to meet the health, wellness, and recreation needs of the community and visitors in one central location;

WHEREAS, the School recognizes the beneficial impact of the proposed Regional Wellness Center for the community and for the school corporation. The School understands and desires to support the positive economic impact such a facility might have with regard to talent attraction and increased opportunities for students through programming including added activities, exercise and group meeting spaces and the School further recognizes and supports improved health and wellness of the citizens of our community;

WHEREAS, the City has identified property currently owned by the School as an ideal location for the Regional Wellness Center;

WHEREAS, the School owns real property commonly known as a 10-acre tract of land located immediately between the Parklands of Jasper (on the east) and the Greater Jasper Consolidated High School Campus (on the west), and also bounded by 15th Street on the south and The Parklands of Jasper on the north. Parcel No. 19-06-26-200-007.002-002, more particularly described as follows: Part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty-six (26), Township One (1) South, Range Five (5) West, Bainbridge Civil Township, Dubois County, Indiana, and more completely described as follows: Beginning at an existing cornerstone at the northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty-six (26), Township One (1) South, Range Five (5) West; thence South 89 degrees 41 minutes 06 seconds East a distance of 330.98 feet along the north line of said quarter-quarter section to a 5/8-inch iron rebar bearing an orange survey cap inscribed "BUEHLER 21000213" (hereafter referred to as "a capped iron rebar") set this survey; thence South 00 degrees 39 minutes 14 seconds West a distance of 1315.84 feet to a capped iron rebar set this survey at the south line of the City of Jasper Department of Redevelopment tract, as recorded at Record Document 2013002720 of the Dubois County Recorder's Office; thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 27 seconds West a distance of 330.99 feet along the south line of said City of Jasper Department of Redevelopment tract to an existing capped iron rebar at the southwest corner thereof, also being at the west line of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty six (26); thence North 00 degrees 39 minutes 14 seconds East a distance of 1316.35 feet along the west line of said quarter-quarter section to the point of beginning of the herein described tract. Containing 10.000 acres.

WHEREAS, the proposed project site, owned by the School, is a beautiful 10-acre tract of land, ideally situated in the heart of the community with walkable/bikeable access in addition to vehicular connections. The site is in close proximity to the Parklands of Jasper, the Greater Jasper Consolidated School's Jasper High School, the Indiana National Guard and the future home of the new Jasper municipal swimming facility. The site is only possible due to the collaboration between the City and the School.

WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. §36-1-11-8, the City may negotiate the transfer of real property with another governmental entity upon any agreed upon terms evidenced by the adoption of substantially identical resolutions;

WHEREAS, the School is willing to sell the real property to the City and the City is willing to purchase the real property pursuant to the terms included in the attached Real Property

Sales Purchase Agreement (“Agreement”) which has been formally approved by both the Greater Jasper School Board of Trustees and the Common Council of the City of Jasper. (See copy of Agreement, incorporated by reference and attached hereto as Exhibit A).


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Greater Jasper School Corporation Board of Trustees, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board shall sell the real property pursuant to the terms identified in the Agreement.

SECTION 2. The Superintendant and School Staff are authorized to execute and deliver all documents necessary to accomplish the described transaction.

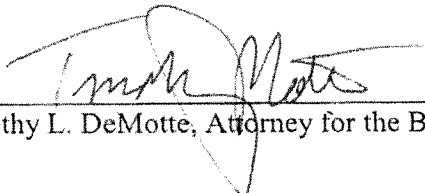
SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and of its date of adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Greater Jasper School Corporation Board of Trustees, this 22 day of April, 2024.



Gregory Eckerle, President

ATTEST:



Timothy L. DeMotte, Attorney for the Board

- Matt Pryor-Technology Integration Specialist-GJCS
 - Incentive Program Completion/Increase-adds \$3,000 to Base Salary
 - None
 - Field Trip Requests
 - JHS FFA to State Envirothon Competition at Purdue University-April 23-24, 2024
 - Girls Basketball Team Summer Camp at Indiana University-June 6-8, 2024
 - JHS FFA to Indiana State FFA Convention to Purdue University-June 16-20, 2024
 - Other
 - No requests

Requests for Consideration-Eagle Scout Project-Levi Clauss

Levi Clauss is working on an Eagle Scout Project and would like to update landscaping by the Jasper High School soccer field. He plans on tearing out the existing landscaping on the east and west side of the bleachers. He plans on planting new plants and adding rock for the project. He would like to work on the project this summer and fall.

A motion by Steve Lukemeyer, second by Arlet Jackle, to approve the landscape project at the soccer field, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Wildcat Spotlight-Samantha Venderley and Education Professionals Students

Mrs. Venderley and the students addressed the Board on the 12th year teaching pathways being offered. They are offering two pathways, one is Human Service Pathway, and the second is Culinary Arts Pathway.

The group discussed the Principals of Teaching being done by the students at Jasper Elementary School and Ireland Elementary School. Child & Adolescent Development is being offered and students can earn 3 dual credits. Teaching & Learning/Education Capstone can earn 8 dual credits.

The students are building great relationships with students.

Another topic the students discussed was teachers' mental health research. They interviewed staff and asked them questions on mental health issues. A video of the teachers was shown.

Mrs. Jackle said this is a great opportunity for the students to see if they would enjoy education as a career.

Dr. Lorey informed the Board there is a grant that is offsetting the cost of the program. The students are being paid for their time in the program.

The students are doing a great job.

Building & Maintenance Update—Mr. Stenftenagel

Mr. Stenftenagel asked the Board to approve the proposals to strip/seal asphalt at parking lots and drives at JES, JHS and Alumni Stadium. He recommended the proposal from HSC Pavement Maintenance of Evansville Indiana for \$71,572.00

A motion by Steve Lukemeyer, second by Arlet Jackle, to approve the proposal from HSC Pavement Maintenance, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Stenftenagel asked the Board to approve the proposal to complete the renovations of 2 old computer labs at JHS to convert to regular classrooms. He recommended approving the proposal from Meadors Construction for the amount of \$57,808.

A motion by Arlet Jackle, second by Dr. Englert to approve the proposals to convert 2 old computer labs to classrooms from Meadors Construction for the amount of \$57,808, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Stenftenagel asked the Board to approve the installation of a stage projector and lift at Ireland Elementary School from Uebelhor T.V. from Ferdinand Indiana in the amount of \$33,070.19. A motion by Dr. Englert, second by Sara Schmidt, to approve the installation of a stage projector and lift at Ireland Elementary School from Uebelhor T.V. in the amount of \$33,070.19, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Eckerle asked if there was an update on the middle school tennis court renovations. Mr. Stenftenagel stated Jasper Lumber Company said they would do the tennis court project as time and material. They had inflated the bid price because of unforeseen problems. They will start the project at the end of May.

Curriculum Update—Mrs. Fawks
None

Student Support Services and Transportation Update—Mr. Buechlein

Mr. Buechlein asked the Board to revise the purchase of 2 new buses from Kerlin Bus Sales as originally approved in July 2023. The buses that were approved were two Class C buses and now we can get 2 Class D buses. The difference in price is \$54,176.00. The Class D buses have bigger capacity. Delivery of the Class D buses will happen at the end of the school year.

Dr. Lorey stated as the long-range vision plan as the contractors no longer bid the corporation will absorb those routes. She also stated that the corporation needs spare buses. This year the corporation is taking over 5 additional routes from private contractors.

A motion by Steve Lukemeyer, second by Sara Schmidt, to cancel the two Class C buses and buy the new 2 Class D buses, was approved by the Board with Arlet Jackle abstaining from voting because of her Conflict of Interest being a bus driver.

Mr. Buechlein asked the Board to approve the purchase of 3 used buses from Joanie Wening.

Bus 10--\$47,500.00

Bus 11--\$33,000.00

Bus 12--\$33,000.00

A motion by Dr. Englert, second by Sara Schmidt, to approve the purchase of 3 used buses from Joanie Wening in the amount of \$113,500.00, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Buechlein told the Board that Joanie Wening donated Bus 21 to the corporation.

Mr. Buechlein asked the Board to approve Jasper Park & Recreation Camp C.A.R.E. to use a corporation activity bus this summer from June 4-July 25.

A motion by Steve Lukemeyer, second by Dr. Englert, to approve the use of a corporation activity bus for Jasper Park & Recreation, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Buechlein shared information regarding National Bus Driver Appreciation Day activities.

Other Business:

Dr. Lorey asked the Board to approve a Resolution to sell 10-acre property to the Common Council of the City of Jasper.

A motion by Arlet Jackle, second by Steve Lukemeyer, to approve the Resolution, was unanimously approved by the Board. A copy of the Resolution is enclosed.

Dr. Lorey asked the Board to declare trailer surplus for liquidation. The company that constructed the press box at Alumni Stadium delivered the structure on a custom-made trailer. The trailer is approximately 54 feet in length and is currently being stored in the parking lot at Alumni Stadium. Due to the excess size, the trailer is unusable for anything other than the transport of the press box. A motion by Dr. Englert, second by Sara Schmidt, to declare the trailer surplus, was unanimously approved by the Board.

Dr. Lorey asked the Board to approve the 2025 Budget Preparation Timeline. The Board received a proposed 2025 tentative budget preparation timeline. Dr. Lorey plans to present the budget to the Board in the July Board meeting, hold the Public Hearing at the August meeting, and seek approval at the September meeting.

A motion by Arlet Jackle, second by Dr. Englert, to approve the 2025 Budget Preparation Timeline, was unanimously approved by the Board.

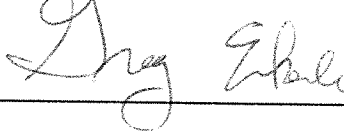
Dr. Lorey shared proposed Policy/By-Law updates with the Board. The Board will review the updates and vote on them in May.

Announcements:


- The regular May Board Meeting will be held on Monday, May 20, 2024 at the Jasper High School Community Room at 7:00 p.m.
- Academic Awards Ceremony-Friday, April 26, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the JHS Gym
- ISBA Regional Meeting-April 30, 2024 at Klub Haus-Registration 5:30 p.m.
- 8th Grade Achievement Night-Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- JHS Commencement-Friday, May 24, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business to conduct and upon a motion by Steve Lukemeyer, second by Dr. Englert, the Board voted to adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

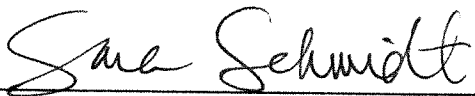
An Executive Session was held before the regular meeting to discuss the following:
IC. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6)(B) Personnel


_____ President

_____ Vice-President


_____ Secretary


_____ Member


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