

JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL
Regular Meeting
Official Minutes

5:15 pm on Monday, June 3, 2024, in the Thompson Community room in the Middle School, 203 2nd Ave SE, Jamestown, ND.

Present: Heidi Larson, President, Dan Tweten, Vice President, Jamie Bear, Melissa Gleason, Diane Hanson, Jason Rohr, Robert Lech, Superintendent and Kristi Grounds, Business Manager. Gayle Nelson and Steve Veldkamp were absent.

Guests: Jeff Meissner, and Jacob Meier.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mrs. Bear to approve the consent agenda which consisted of May 20, 2024 regular board meeting minutes, payment of bills, open enrollment applications for 2nd grader to Montpelier Public School for the 2023-2024 school year, applications for a 3rd, 5th, 8th and 9th grade students to attend Montpelier Public School for the 2024-2025 school year, 24-25 After School Program Parent Handbook, 24-25 Jamestown High School Handbook, and 24-25 Blue Jay Academy Handbook. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten reported on the Health Insurance committee working on evaluating options for plan changes for next year. Medical costs keep going up and trying to get the best value for the members who use this benefit.

Dr. Lech reported on Strategic Focus 5: Resource Management and Planning. Dr. Lech reviewed the goals and metrics in Resource Management and Planning. The capital project plan was adopted with a fixed 10-year plan but will be updated to a 10 year rolling plan. Facility meetings have brought forward 4 options for the board to review along with the finance committee looking at funds for these options to help the board members to decide on an option at a board retreat. The finance committee has also worked on implementing compensation and benefit changes in phases. Mr. Rohr moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to approve the strategic plan monitoring report. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Meissner, Washington Principal, and Mrs. Eckart, Career and Technology Director reported on their prospective on the Dean of Students program they participated in earlier this school year. The program was good in that it gave them both the opportunity to see if they wanted to move into an administration position. They felt the program would be better if the program did not fill an open position, but to work along with an administrator.

Dr. Lech reported on a survey for board members to complete to give feed back on improvements to new board member training.

Dr. Lech reported a board retreat will be planned in the next 6 weeks with agenda items of facilities and board self-assessment results.

Dr. Lech reported the district has received an annexation hearing request. Dr. Lech will attend the hearing and will bring back information from that meeting.

Dr. Lech reported that at the July meeting he will have the annual revision of the strategic plan on the agenda.

Dr. Lech spotlighted JHS Drone Racing Team participated in the Fenworks Drone Racing competition in Fargo. Cashton Bollinger and Bryson Corell participated along with coach, Sid Mann. Cashton Bollinger received second place in First-Person View

Racing and the team received second place in Simulator Racing and first in First Person View Racing Team. Congratulations.

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the submission of the School Construction Approval Form and facilities plan for the James Valley Career and Technology Center to the ND Department of Public Instruction and facilities plan. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mrs. Hanson to approve the 2024-2025 textbook purchase in the amount of \$508,898.68. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the billing services 3 year automatic renewal agreement for AvelCare with payment based on annual enrollment. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Tweten to approve the hire of Brad Stangeland and Brittany Schwingler for the 2024-2025 school year upon a successful background check and appropriate licensure. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Rohr moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the contracts for Kristi Grounds in the amount of \$104,750.00, Adam Gehlhar in the amount of \$131,500.00 and Robert Lech in the amount of \$193,250.00 for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the amended Policy FCAF (Concussion Management) and FCAF-AR (Concussion Management Program). Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Grounds reported there are 3 city open positions and 1 rural open position on the school board. Voting will be held on June 11, 2024.

No further business, President Larson adjourned the meeting.