

JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
Official Minutes

New School Board Orientation at 4:15 pm in the District Office Conference room, 207-2nd Ave SE, Jamestown, ND.

School board meeting on Monday, August 19, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Thompson Community room at the Middle School, 203 2nd Ave SE, Jamestown, ND.

Present: Heidi Larson, President, Dan Tweten, Vice President, Jamie Bear, Melissa Gleason, Owen Mckenna, Jacob Meier, Aaron Roberts, Jason Rohr, Steve Veldkamp, Superintendent, Robert Lech and Kristi Grounds, Business Manager.

President Larson called the meeting to order and welcomed the audience. Jason Linz, Jamestown Video and Amy Neustel, Administrative Assistant.

Mr. Veldkamp moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the consent agenda which consisted of July 15, 2024 regular board meeting minutes, August 7, 2024 facilities committee minutes, payment of bills, pledged securities, open enrollment of 9th and 10th grade students from Valley City and 5th grade student from Barnes County North to Jamestown Public School for the 2024-2025 school year, open enrollments of Jamestown Kindergarten student to Edgeley Public School and Jamestown 7th, 9th, 11th grade students to attend Pingree Buchanan Public School for the 2024-2025 school year, submission of Choice Ready Grant, review of June 10 and 24, 2024 health insurance committee meeting minutes, and review of consolidated application.

Mr. Gehlhar, Continuous Improvement Director, reported on the Cognia Accreditation process.

Superintendent Lech reported there is a request for release of contract on the agenda which his recommendation is to not approve. Dr. Lech would like the board to consider policy regarding release of contracts and liquidated damages. Dr. Lech will take this concern to the communication committee to review.

Superintendent Lech reported on the architectural firm request for qualifications for elementary project. A total of 8 firms responded and 4 were interviewed by the facility committee and central office. The finalists were all quality candidates but the recommendation is ICON for approval by the board.

Superintendent Lech reported some changes were made this year for onboarding of new staff. Feedback was great and they appreciated more time with their mentors.

Superintendent Lech reported the roofing project for the Middle School got delayed and will be completed in the spring due to school will be in session.

Superintendent Lech reported the afterschool program through the 21st Century is in its final year of the grant. The grant has very strict restrictions to follow for funding. The District will review the program, budget and possibly work towards a partnership in the community.

Superintendent Lech reported that he is planning to put an item line on the agenda for the next few meetings prior to voting this November regarding Measure 4 Eliminating Property Tax topic.

Superintendent Lech spotlighted that Vital Network asked Jamestown Public School to participate in a case study on the impact of the Vital Network process and improving the working and learning environment.

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Veldkamp to approve hiring ICON Architects for elementary facilities project. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the AIA agreements with Rhet Architecture for the childcare renovation and the James Valley Career and Technology Center. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved, seconded by Mrs. Bear on the approval of the rental agreement for the winter building with Jamestown Park and Recreation in the amount of \$30,000.00 for the 2024-2025 school year. Mrs. Gleason wanted clarification if this matched our previous agreement other than the dollar amount. Roll vote: Bear, yes; Larson, yes; Rohr, yes; Meier, yes; Tweten, yes; Roberts, yes; Veldkamp, yes; Gleason, no; McKenna, yes. Passed 8-1. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. McKenna on the 2024-2025 school lunch prices. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Grounds provided the general fund balance for board members to review. Monthly financials were provided for information for the board members.

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the hire of Rodney Mack for the 2024-2025 school year upon a successful background check and appropriate licensure. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the first semester 2024-2025 extended school year contracts for Reagan Celaya one extra section of learning center, Colton Altringer one extra section of ND studies, Larry Eslick one extra section of Internship, Cassandra Reidburn one extra section of US History, Cody Mickelson one extra section of German 1, Andy Fitzgerald one extra section of Beginning Strength, Denise Wood one extra section of Algebra 2, Kim Carpenter one extra section of Algebra 1, Leigh Meier one section of Essentials of Algebra, Zeb Willer one extra section of Consumer Math, Karla Rossario one extra section of English 1, Shelly Moltzen one extra section of Composition 110, Tim Ranum one extra section of English 1, Lynn Kosel one extra section of Chemistry, Denise Thom one extra section of Learning Center and Jason Carroll one extra section of Resource room. Mr. Meier declared a conflict of interest due to his wife is a teacher. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Veldkamp moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the release of contract for Reagan Celaya for the 2024-2025 school year. Mrs. Gleason is concerned about mental health of staff person if not released. Mr. Roberts concerned about the students, Mr. Rohr concerned on what is best for students, Mr. Meier concerned on the challenge in the building to meet students needs, Mrs. Bear encouraged to provide to the person the employee assistance program and also encourage other staff to help mentor teacher. Roll call vote: Tweten, no; Roberts, no; Veldkamp, no; Gleason, yes; McKenna, yes; Bear, no; Larson, no; Rohr, yes; Meier, yes. Failed 5-4. Motion failed.

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mrs. Bear to approve the amended policy DI-Personnel Records. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve 2024-2025 tuition agreements for 6th, 9th, and 10th grade Jamestown students to attend Medina Public School, 11th grade Jamestown student to attend Pingree-Buchanan Schools, 9th grade Montpelier student to attend Jamestown Public Schools, 10th grade Valley City student to attend Jamestown Public Schools, and kindergarten and 5th grade Barnes County North Students to attend Jamestown Public Schools. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

No further business, President Larson adjourned the meeting.

GENERAL FUND			
95 PERCENT GROUP LLC	32,796.60	LANDENBERGER, KRISTY	134.00
ACCO BRANDS USA LLC	43.51	LEAF	2,745.00
AMAZON.COM	2,081.97	LEARNWELL	360.00
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY	105.00	LECH, ROBERT	30.00
AMPLIFY EDUCATION INC	134,418.92	MAC'S INC	55.98
ANDERSON, JADA	405.20	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC	3,030.82
ANDERSON, LUKE	30.00	MCGRAW HILL LLC	22,743.39
ANNE CARLSEN CENTER	29,888.19	MEISSNER, JEFF	30.00
ARMITAGE, MICHAEL	30.00	MENARDS OF JAMESTOWN	3,297.52
ASCA	338.00	MICHAELSON, NATHAN	140.90
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION BUREAU	74.00	MINDWISE INNOVATIONS	500.00
BATA, BRANDON	30.00	MINNESOTA VALLEY TESTING LABS	83.00
BLINDS USA LLC	37.49	MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	2,170.68
CENGAGE LEARNING INC	1,610.00	NAPA AUTO PARTS OF JAMESTOWN INC	38.70
CENTRAL VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT	4,300.00	ND ATTORNEY GENERAL	236.25
CHAT GPT	80.00	ND COUNCIL EDUC LEADERS	12,334.00
CITY OF JAMESTOWN	5,313.49	NELSON, TAMMY	2.41
CITY OF JAMESTOWN	5.00	NORTHWEST TIRE INC	3,355.79
COLBURN, SHYIA	30.00	OSLUND, ANDREW	44.61
COLE PAPERS INC	8,426.83	OTTERTAIL POWER CO	22,910.73
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	630.04	PAYPAL.COM	1,410.00
CONNELL, JUSTIN	30.00	PEARCE DURICK PLLC	2,583.75
COUNTRY GARDENS	54.08	PETTYS, QUENTIN	44.61
DACOTAH PAPER CO	1,551.40	PITNEY BOWES	2,000.00
DAKOTA BOYS AND GIRLS RANCH	2,020.00	POWERSCHOOL GROUP LLC	975.00
DAKOTA CENTRAL	2,804.09	RAS TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANTS INC	189.00
DAKOTA RAIN LAWN IRRIGATION	1,424.90	RECORD KEEPERS LLC	52.88
DECKER EQUIPMENT/SCHOOL FIX	71.45	RECYCLING CENTER OF ND LLC	624.00
DELTA AIRLINES, INC	1,175.90	RENAISSANCE LEARNING INC	21,088.52
DELZER, EDDY	30.00	ROCHESTER 100 INC	184.30
DISCOVERY EDUCATION INC	17,094.00	ROUGH RIDER SIGNS & DESIGNS INC	1,925.40
EAI EDUCATION	34.95	RUBBERCYCLE LLC	1,575.00
EQUITABLE FINANCIAL LIFE	295.48	SAGE PUBLICATIONS INC	1,654.00
ET SYSTEMS	747.30	SALISBURY, KAIDEN	49.56
FARMERS UNION COOP OIL CO	1,003.10	SANFORD HEALTH EMS EDUCATION	71.50
FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC	56.08	SAVVAS LEARNING COMPANY LLC	5,214.00
FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS LLC	4,294.17	SCHMIDT, SHERRY	30.00
FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS LLC	7,110.39	SCHOLASTIC INC	15,036.07
GEHLHAR, ADAM	30.00	SCHOOL DATEBOOKS	2,113.87
GRAYBAR ELECTRIC COMPANY INC	4,378.80	SCHOOL MATE	1,474.55
GREAT MINDS	111,008.17	SCHOOL SPECIALTY INC	1,437.76
GROUNDS, KRISTI	30.00	SOUTH EAST EDUCATION COOPERATIVE	3,108.00
HAWKINS INC	1,454.98	STILWELL, MARK	30.00
HEGGERTY PHONEMIC AWARENESS	1,513.00	STRYKE SECURITY INC	9,339.86
HEINERT, DARBY	30.00	SUMMIT K12 HOLDINGS INC	2,772.40
HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON BISMARCK	598.00	T-MOBILE USA INC	136.52
HUGO'S #9	78.91	TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CO	800.50
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	735.00	THEMES & VARIATIONS INC	800.00
INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS LLC	24,065.57	TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY	114.99
INSIGHT INVESTMENTS LLC	104,310.50	TREND ENTERPRISES INC	66.38
IXL LEARNING INC	16,014.00	UNISON BANK	12.00
JAMES RIVER SPECIAL EDUCATION	21,448.67	UNIVERSITY OF JAMESTOWN -	11.64
		VALLEY PLAINS EQUIPMENT	245.01

JAMES VALLEY MULTI DIST	120.01	VENTRIS LEARNING LLC	903.00
JAMESTOWN FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION	30,000.00	VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICE CENTER	5,417.00
JAMESTOWN PLUMBING HEATING AC	681.60	VISIBLE BODY	2,100.00
JAMESTOWN SUN	333.00	WALMART COMMUNITY	645.09
JAMESTOWN TRAVEL INC	50.00	WEGNER, JEROME	30.00
JENSEN, BRENDA	156.00	WIDMER ROEL PC	3,127.30
JONNY B'S BRICKHOUSE	717.00	WILEY, LARISSA	40.00
JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD	2,490.71	WORLD BOOK INC	1,266.20
KAMI	3,500.00	WY'S FLORAL	48.00
KASTET, RACHEL	178.00	ZORO	181.85
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	143.30	Fund Total:	749,710.04
BUILDING FUND		JAMES VALLEY MULTI DIST	8,533.19
2 SHADES OF BROWN	13,250.00	JAMESTOWN PLUMBING HEATING AC	2,682.22
CUMMINS SALES & SERVICE	3,406.48	OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	380.00
DAKOTA FIRE PROTECTION INC	1,585.00	RUBBERCYCLE LLC	6,975.00
DAKOTA RAIN LAWN IRRIGATION	5,888.64	Fund Total:	42,700.53
STUDENT ACTIVITY		NATEF	0.00
ALLARD TROPHY CO	6.45	ND COUNCIL EDUC LEADERS	895.00
ANTHEM SPORTS	533.74	ND HIGH SCHOOL COACH ASSN	120.00
BECKER, NICHOLAS	160.00	NOAH'S ARK	356.21
BSN SPORTS LLC	90.00	NORDAK TECHNOLOGIES	720.00
CSTAND	200.00	ORRIGINALS	460.00
DAHLBERG, PAUL	196.90	POPPLERS MUSIC INC	516.90
DAKOTA CENTRAL	65.28	PORTA PHONE COMPANY INC	44.27
EVERSPRING INN & SUITES BSMK	379.80	REVELYST SALES INC	288.00
FENWORKS INC	5,500.00	RIDDELL ALL AMERICAN SPORTS	1,671.20
GAME ONE	6,718.80	ROALDSON, JAMES	30.00
GERRELLS SPORTS CENTER INC	2,055.95	SHEYENNE HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	80.00
GOLFGALAXY.COM	314.98	SOUKUP, CHRISTOPHER	99.12
HANSON, JOSHUA	305.70	SUPERPUMPER	96.23
HUDL	13,092.95	SWAY MEDICAL, INC	1,695.00
JAMESTOWN BASKETBALL BOOSTERS	3,902.72	THIELGES, BRETT	75.00
JAMESTOWN COUNTRY CLUB	4,350.00	TRAINING ROOM INC	2,762.20
JAMESTOWN PARKS & RECREATION	6,800.00	UKESTAD, MARK	75.00
JOSTENS INC	4,339.32	UNISON BANK	7,600.00
JUST A GAME FIELDHOUSE	350.00	WALKER, KEVIN	75.00
MAUS, THOMAS	353.80	WALMART COMMUNITY	159.00
MENARDS OF JAMESTOWN	599.70	Fund Total:	68,558.30
MICROTEL INN & SUITES-INVER GROVE	424.08	MEDALLUS JAMESTOWN URGENT CARE	17,405.00
HEALTH INSURANCE		Fund Total:	20,177.00
HAYS COMPANIES	2,772.00	MARTELL, MONA	134.00
SCHOOL LUNCH		PALMER, JULIE	134.00
ANDERSON, MARK	174.70	PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL INC	543.00
CORBELL, SUSAN	134.00	REIMERS, MALITTA	265.00
DACOTAH PAPER CO	186.86	RUSSELL, JACKIE	300.01
DAKOTA CENTRAL	274.36	STEINS INC	253.04
DAYS INN BISMARCK	798.00	SYSCO NORTH DAKOTA INC	14,825.97
DOCKTER, MELISSA	405.88	VESTIS SERVICES LLC	379.50
ERICKSON, JENNIFER	336.00	WALL, CINDY	232.00
FARMERS UNION COOP OIL CO	152.77	WHITE, JENNIFER	68.00
FRESHPOINT BIX PRODUCE COMPANY	826.20	ZINK, ELIZABETH	131.00
HALVORSON, WENDY	134.00	Fund Total:	20,822.29
KOBLE, DENISE	134.00	KLINE, DAVID	602.72
JAMES VALLEY CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER		MENARDS OF JAMESTOWN	112.35
ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS, INC	219.55	MILLENNIUM HOTEL MINNEAPOLIS	767.22
AMAZON.COM	245.81	MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	633.77
CITY OF JAMESTOWN	789.98	OREILLY AUTO PARTS	103.44
COLE PAPERS INC	568.16	OTTERTAIL POWER CO	4,587.49
CRAGUN'S LODGE & RESORT	0.00	RECYCLING CENTER OF ND LLC	40.00
DAKOTA CENTRAL	451.25	RHET ARCHITECTURE	8,000.00
DROPBOX, INC	119.88	SAFTEY KLEEN SYSTEMS INC	283.74
FENWORKS INC	2,500.00	STAMPS.COM	39.98
HARTY INSURANCE INC	516.00	Fund Total:	20,608.94
JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL	27.60		

