

JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD  
Regular Meeting  
Official Minutes

School board meeting on Monday, October 6, 2025 at 5:30 pm in the Thompson Community room at the Middle School, 203 2 Ave SE, Jamestown, ND.

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

Guests: Lynette Ryan, Candace Sedler, Jada Anderson, Shelly Moltzen, and Tim Ranum.

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

Mr. Rohr moved, seconded by Mr. McKenna to approve the consent agenda which consisted of September 15, 2025 regular board minutes, payments of bills, non-resident report, open enrollment report, horizontal advancement report, 2025-2026 tuition formula, and October 1, 2025 communication committee meeting notes.

Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. Sedler, Mrs. Moltzen and Mr. Ranum reported on Core Plus more interventions. Mrs. Anderson reported the schools will serve students with 80% of the core instruction and maximums of 15% in core plus which is connected to the strategic plan. The primary metrics: elementary 70% core instruction with 25% core plus; middle school 85% core instruction with 9% core plus and high school 80% core and 9% core plus. There are 3 tiers; tier 1 (core) viable curriculum for all, Tier 2(core+) students not meeting benchmarks, tier 3 (intervention) students received individualized interventions help students achieve their curriculum grade level standards. Different screeners identify student's needs and help teachers to respond with successful interventions. This is available to every student and will work towards closing the gaps.

Progress monitoring of strategic plan dashboard to review.

Dr. Lech reported the calendar committee will begin working on the next two years' calendars. A survey was sent to the staff to get perspective on ranking variables. This information will be used by the committee to review and draft a calendar. The calendar comes directly from the committee to the board for approval.

Dr. Lech reported The Village Mental Health Service Agreement is on the agenda for approval. The Village provides 5 days of service to our students throughout the calendar year.

Dr. Lech reported JPS is working with Employment Assistance Program through The Village to provide financial wellness voluntary sessions spread throughout the 2025-2026 school year for staff.

Dr. Lech reported the Department of Instruction has agreed to study the Title I allocation model. Dr. Lech has been asked to serve on the task force.

Dr. Lech reported Jerome Wegner's last day was last Friday and we have hired his replacement, Mr. Terry Jones.

Dr. Lech spotlighted Kristi Grounds for completing her certification of ND Association of School Business Managers Certification Program. The program is 61

credits and she reached mastery level in all courses. Congratulations on this achievement.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. McKenna to approve the renewal of certificates of deposit with Gate City Bank and Dacotah Bank. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the 2025-2026 final budget. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Rohr moved, seconded by Mr. Meier to approve submission of resolution of the 2025-2026 tax levies. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the school board retreat set for December 1, 2025 at 5:30 pm. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Rohr moved, seconded by Mr. McKenna to approve the 2025-2026 Wilson and Eagles Arena Agreement with Jamestown Park and Recreation in the amount of \$30,250.00. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Meier moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the 2025-2026 MOU with The Village for mental health programming in the amount of \$65,000. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

The superintendent evaluation timeline was provided for the board members to review.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. McKenna to approve amended FDB(Homeless Students), review of FDB-E2 (Dispute Resolution Form), amended FDH (Students in Foster Care), review FDH-E2 (Foster Care Student Transportation), amended ABCA (Copyrighted Material and Intellectual Property), rescind DGA (Grievance), first reading of Policy DGAA (Teacher Grievance Procedure) and review of DGAA-E (Grievance Form). Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Rohr moved, seconded by Mr. Meier to approve the tuition agreements with Kensal: 2 PreK, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students and with Carrington: 10<sup>th</sup> grade student for the 2025-2026 school year. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

No further business, Vice President Tweten adjourned the meeting.