

JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL
Regular Meeting
Unofficial Minutes

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Public School Board was held Monday, March 2, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Thompson Community Room at Jamestown Middle School.

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

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

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mrs. Bear, to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the February 16, 2026 regular board meeting minutes, February 23, 2026 communications committee meeting minutes, February 25, 2026 finance committee meeting minutes, payments of bills, review of the 2024-2025 Superintendent's Annual Report, open enrollment applications: 1 seventh grader to Medina School; 2-seventh graders and 1 eighth grader to Pingree Buchanan School for the 2026-2027 school year; open enrollment application for a Montpelier ninth grader to attend Jamestown School for the 2026-2027 school year. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Justin Connell, Assistant Principal at Jamestown Middle School, presented an overview of the implementation of non-academic skills and citizenship expectations. The presentation covered the district's strategic plan goal for non-academic skills, the use of rubrics to assess behaviors, and the integration of these standards with eligibility for extracurricular activities. Board members asked questions regarding special education students, the connection to school counseling, and the eligibility criteria.

Dr. Lech reported on the Guiding Coalition's work on prioritizing new schedule models, the distribution of surveys to home education and open enrollment families, and a summary of the Communications Committee's work on key themes from the negotiations process. Dr. Lech noted the upcoming board meeting on April 6, 2026, will be held at the Fine Arts Center. Dr. Lech congratulated high school students Maggie Stem Miller (Bronze Team Winner), Shane Martin (Honorable Mention), Maya Moltzen (Honorable Mention), and Maya Tyson (Honorable Mention) for their Academic All-State awards.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr, to approve of the resignation of Bob Thorson at the conclusion of the 2025-2026 school year. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

President Larson reported the superintendent's evaluation will need a rating of satisfactory or unsatisfactory per section.

Mr. Tweten moved, seconded by Mrs. Gleason, for a satisfactory rating on Section 1 Goals and Vision Setting score 3.71. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Jason Rohr, for a satisfactory rating on Section 2 Board Relations score 3.72. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. McKenna moved, seconded by Dan Tweeton, for a satisfactory rating on Section 3 Human Resource Management score 3.43. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mrs. Bear, for a satisfactory rating on Section 4 Curriculum and Student Support Services score 3.49. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Bear moved, seconded by Mrs. Gleason, for a satisfactory rating on Section 5 Community Relations score 3.50. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mr. McKenna, for a satisfactory rating on Section 6 Operations and Resource Management score 3.61. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mrs. Bear, to approve a tuition agreement with Pingry-Buchanan Public Schools for a seventh-grade Jamestown student. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.