JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Regular Meeting
Official Minutes

The regular meeting of the Jamestown Public School board was held on Monday, June 1, 2026 at 5:30 pm in the Thompson Community Room.

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

Guests: Bob Toso, Elaine and Joe Hegland, Dave Falk, Jim Roaldson, Ryan Harty, DeAnn Ament.

President Larson called the meeting of the Jamestown Public School Board to order and welcomed those in audience, Jason Linz, Jamestown Video, and Amy Neustel, Administrative Assistant.

Mr. Rohr moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of May 18, 2026 regular school board meeting minutes, May 21, 2026 special board meeting minutes, April 28, 2026 teacher negotiations session minutes, May 12, 2026 teacher negotiations session minutes, May 19, 2026 teacher negotiations session minutes, May 26, 2026 finance committee meeting minutes, payment of bills, open enrollment application for a 10th grade student to attend Medina Public School for the 2026-2027 school year and submission of the Title I for Lincoln, Louis L'Amour, Roosevelt and Gussner Elementary. Seconded by Mr. Veldkamp. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

The board recognized the Dollar for Scholars committee for all their hard work this year.

The board received a thank you from the Veldkamp family.

Mrs. Jamtgaard reported on exit interviews summary. This helps with reviewing trends and goal setting for change. Mrs. Jamtgaard stated the feedback is better with meeting in person. The district is doing well in student relationships, mentor programs and benefits. The district needs improvement in communication, work load, building moral and compensation. Mrs. Jamtgaard would like to work on doing stay interviews yearly to see if there is a trend there.

Mr. Roaldson reported on the fine arts and co-curricular activities. Most of the activities have a steady number of participants through the last 4 years. Coaches pay scale agreements are through the JEA negotiated agreement which is reviewed often for time commitment per activity.

Dr. Lech reported Jamestown Parks and Recreation has brought forth an outdoor facilities use agreement. JPS has lots of spaces to utilize for activities through the Park and Recreation and have helped with large requests to update the facilities we share. Park and Recreation has requested a change to a usage agreement for each year. This will replace the large requests which will be better for consistent budget.

Dr. Lech reported there is a strategic plan meeting coming up to review and update areas in the plan. The goals are to review work in standards, improve metrics and consistency.

Dr. Lech reported the community leadership round table meet on May 29. Discussion was held on the goals of the organization and how they can work together to increase participating organizations.

Dr. Lech spotlighted Ben Smith for his 18 years of coaching swim/diving at JPS. He was WDA coach of the year which puts him in the running for the National Federation of High Schools Coach of the Year. He was named NFHS Region 5 Boys Coach of the Year. Best of luck to Coach Smith.

Mr. Roberts moved to approve the drumline ensemble course. Seconded by Mr. McKenna. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Veldkamp moved to approve the MOU with Central Valley Health for Nursing Services for the 2026-2027 school year in the amount of $43,000. Seconded by Mr. Tweten. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved to approve the ratification of teacher master agreement for 2026-2027 school year. Roll call vote: Bear, yes; Larson, yes; Rohr, yes; Tweten, yes; Roberts, yes; Veldkamp, yes; McKenna, yes. Passed 6-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved to approve the non-teaching professionals pay schedule for 2026-2027 school year. Seconded by Mr. Veldkamp. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Roberts moved to approve the support staff lane change correction for the 2026-2027 school year. Seconded by Mr. Tweten. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved to reconsider the administrator's master agreement. Seconded by Mr. McKenna. Discussion to contact administrators to offer same consideration as teachers for the 2026-2027 school year. Roll call vote: Tweten, yes; Roberts, yes; Veldkamp, yes; McKenna, yes; Bear, yes; Larson, yes; Rohr, yes. 7-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Roberts moved to approve the hire of Gabriela Zimmer, Tyler Dean, and Ryan Froemke for the 2026-2027 school year upon a successful background check and appropriate licensure. Seconded by Mr. Tweten. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. McKenna moved to approve amended ACEB (Hazing), BDAB (Saving Clause) and BDBB (Retaining an Attorney) polices. Seconded by Mr. Veldkamp. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved to approve a tuition agreements for 1-Kindergartner, 2-3rd graders, 1-4th grader, 1-6th grader, 1-7th grader, 1-9th grader, 1-10th grader and 1-12th grader to attend Medina Public School for the 2026-2027 school year. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

No further business, President Larson adjourned the meeting.