

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON CREEK
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 19, 2014
6:00 p.m.
Elementary Music Room

President Tina Roehl called the meeting to order.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Rick Kaltenberg, Duane Draeger, Carol O'Neil, June McCaffery and Kellie Loeb and Student Representative Abby Krueger

Also present: Superintendent Michael Garvey, Principal Kristine Blakeley, Director of Teaching and Learning Lisa Krohn, Buildings and Grounds Director Dan Fischer, Cynthia Hirsch, Christine Yelich, Richard Wrench, Tim Semo, Jim Grenz, Mic Schottel, Rich Neidert, Brian Karczewski, Kyle Mahan and Boy Scouts Micah Garvey, Dillon Grenz, Vaughn Neidert, Jon Karczewski, and Damon Anderson-Mahan

Dr. Garvey verified that the meeting was properly posted Pursuant to § 19.84(1) Wis. Statutes

Motion by Draeger/Swanson to adopt the agenda as posted. Motion Carried.

Community Viewpoint

Mrs. Yelich asked questions about youth options and enrollment numbers.

Mrs. Hirsch is concerned about the floor plan and about providing FAPE in the new district. She will not vote for a domed school or one with a "sliver of space" for special education.

Mrs. Roehl welcomed the Scouts from Boy Scout Troop 99 attending the meeting as a requirement for their Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge.

Mr. Karczewski stated that he will be voting for the new school because the District needs it.

Communications

Superintendent Update – Dr. Garvey gave an update on legislative action which has and is taking place in Madison. He also thanked Food Service Director Eric Zimdars for his work and congratulated him on a job well done with the recent USDA compliance audit. The compliance team members complimented Mr. Zimdars and have requested that he present at future conferences and trainings that the DPI holds. They were impressed with his accountability records and his menus. Dr. Garvey also informed the Board that Mrs. Anderson's retirement luncheon went well and passed on her thanks for their support. Dr. Garvey is working on hiring a new administrative assistant. 44 application packets were reviewed. Screening interviews and skills tests are scheduled for Friday and final interviews will be held once the evaluations are reviewed.

Principal Reports

Mrs. Blakeley shared happenings in the elementary school. The elementary POPS rewards assembly is hosting Ron Linquest.

Mr. Vogel – Mr. Vogel was unable to attend the meeting but Board members were presented with a copy of the MS/HS newsletter and a copy of the *JAY* which was mailed out today.

Director of Teaching and Learning – Mrs. Krohn reported on the implementation of individualized learning plans for every student insuring instruction is at the student’s academic level. She also informed the Board that the District has submitted three grant applications, each for \$10,000, to assist with strengthening financial literacy instruction throughout the District.

Director of Buildings and Grounds – Mr. Fischer reported that weather has hindered the start of spring sports. It has slowed spring maintenance projects. His crew is also busy with a number of programs and other evening activities.

Board Member Comments:

Mrs. McCaffery thanked Mrs. Roehl for her service on the Board. The April meeting will be Mrs. Roehl’s last meeting as a Board member and as President.

Mrs. Loeb asked about how the “sign restrictions” being proposed by the federal government which would limit the advertisement of the soft drinks would affect the District. Dr. Garvey responded that we could simply change replace the panels on the scoreboards. The impact would be non-consequential. He did remind the Board that those restrictions have not been implemented as of yet.

Mr. Swanson congratulated Seanna Loeb on being named Valedictorian and Student Board Member Abigail Krueger being named Salutatorian. He also recognized the wrestling team on their successful wrestling season which included both a 3rd and 2nd place finisher in the state individual wrestling tournament. He also recognized Wilder Wichman on his being named Jefferson County’s Wrestler of the Year. Mr. Swanson also thanked the 4 our kids group whose members have worked tirelessly in support of the referendum.

Mrs. O’Neil informed the Board that she had attended an area meeting recently. Those present at her meeting were very impressed with the individualized instruction which we provide our students.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by O’Neil/Draeger to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of February 19, 2014. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Business Affairs/Treasurer’s Report

Motion by Treasurer Swanson/O’Neil to approve Accounts Payable checks 221673-221920, excluding check #221773, in the amount of \$580,614.07, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 14642-14665 in the amount of \$8,738.22 and Payroll ETF transactions 900926335 – 900926561 in the amount of \$233,898.77.

Roll Call vote: Kaltenberg (Y), O’Neil (Y), Swanson (Y), McCaffery (Y), Loeb (Y), Draeger (Y) and Roehl (Y).

Yes - 7 No – 0 Absent - 0 Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Swanson/Kaltenberg to approve WEA Retirement check #2215773 in the amount of \$15,316.24.

Roll Call vote: Kaltenberg (Y), O'Neil (Abstained), Swanson (Y), McCaffery (Y), Loeb (Y), Draeger (Y) and Roehl (Y).

Yes - 6 No – 0 Absent – 0 Abstained - 1 Motion Carried

There were no budget adjustments but Dr. Garvey reminded the Board that the State Trust Fund Loan was paid off early and the District has received the documentation that the loan has a zero balance.

Policy Committee

Recommendation by the Policy Committee/Swanson to approve the Updated Policy 363 (Use of Computer Networks and District Technology Resources) and the new Policy 522.7 (Employee Use of Computer and Internet Resources) as presented. Motion Carried.

Recommendation by the Curriculum Committee/McCaffery to approve the updated Policy 345.6 (Graduation Requirements) which adds a .5 credit of Financial Literacy as a graduation requirement beginning with the class of 2017. Motion Carried.

Referendum Update

Dr. Garvey reported the following:

- The District website and referendum website pages have been updated.
- The Informational Night was very well attended. The estimated number of attendees was around 100. The last couple left around 8:30 pm.
- Dr. Garvey met with the Chamber Board of Directors on March 6th.
- The Informational Boards (rendering, site plan, floor plans) are at Badger Bank, JC Public Library and both schools.
- The Senior Circle Luncheon was held yesterday and was attended by about 18 seniors as well as several of our NHS members. The Advanced Foods Class prepared the lunch and Dr. Garvey answered questions about the referendum. Following the luncheon, the NHS students gave tours.

Personnel

Mrs. Blakeley presented the need to increase Speech therapist Kristi Gawel's contract from 60%-80%. The District needed to add a day of service mainly due an increase in referrals from Birth-3. On behalf of the Administrative Team, Dr. Garvey recommended that we offer a contract to Jim Martin to continue to serve as our 2014 Summer School Director at a salary of \$4,100.

Motion by McCaffery/Loeb to approve both recommendations.

Roll Call vote: Kaltenberg (Y), O'Neil (Y), Swanson (Y), McCaffery (Y), Loeb (Y), Draeger (Y) and Roehl (Y).

Yes - 7 No – 0 Absent - 0 Motion Carried

New Business

Motion by Loeb/Draeger to approve the fall 2014 Youth Option Request for a student to take a nursing assistant class at MATC.

Roll Call vote: Kaltenberg (Y), O'Neil (Y), Swanson (Y), McCaffery (Y), Loeb (Y), Draeger (Y) and Roehl (Y).

Yes - Y No – 0 Absent - 0 Motion Carried

Dr. Garvey presented information about the upcoming WIAA Spring Membership meeting. There are 2 proposals for constitutional changes. MS/HS principal/Athletic Administrator Cale Vogel will serve as the District's delegate to the annual meeting.

Mrs. Roehl thanked the Boy Scouts for attending the meeting and complimented them on being good audience members.

Motion by O'Neil/Swanson to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Michael P. Garvey, Ph.D.
Superintendent