

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON CREEK  
**Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, November 17, 2014**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**Elementary Music Room**

President Kellie Loeb called the meeting to order.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Duane Draeger, Rick Kaltenberg, Carol O'Neil, Andrew Swanson, Richard Wensch, Kellie Loeb, June McCaffery, and Student Representative Brad Pitzner

Also present: Superintendent Michael Garvey, Principal Cale Vogel, Principal Kris Blakeley, Director of Teaching and Learning Lisa Krohn, Administrative Assistant Becky Stewart, newspaper reporter Tara Schmidt, and Sam Hett

The following New staff members were also present: Chad Hayes, Megan Hubacher, Amanda Keeser, Ray Lauersdorf, James Petersen Jr., and Kelly Thomsen.

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

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

**Community Viewpoint**

None

Carol O'Neil administered the oath of office to student representative Brad Pitzner.

The principals introduced their new staff members who joined us this past fall.

**Communications**

**Superintendent Update**

Dr. Garvey stated that we are finishing up our final reports in the District Office. He also mentioned that the policy items needed for the Activity Accounts was simply caused by a misunderstanding. There should not have been an audit finding concerning policy in the Activity Accounts.

**Principal Reports**

Mrs. Blakeley mentioned that it is American Education Week and thanked the staff and School Board members for all that they do. She stated that their Veterans Day celebration was a huge success and they honored 30 different families. The Elementary also raised over \$1,500 for their Penny Wars. Parent night with author Marla McKenna was successful as well with over 30 parents coming. On Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, the Elementary will have a Fort HealthCare Health Fair where there will be different stations on positive eating, exercise, and healthy living. Maranatha nurses will also be coming again to do hearing screens in late January or February. During the week of December 8<sup>th</sup> the food drive for the Christmas Neighbors will kick off. The Holiday concert is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> and the annual sing along celebration on December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mr. Vogel stated last Wednesday 16 students went to Jefferson County Student Conference where they learned about positive leadership in schools. He also mentioned that the Student Council had a successful blood drive. Mr. Vogel thanked the Booster Club for putting on a bowling event, where 47 kids attended and a number of coaches as well. The Middle/High school Veterans Day ceremony went well. Upcoming events include the National Honor Society fall Induction Ceremony on Wednesday, a heroin presentation on December 1<sup>st</sup>, winter sports are starting (boys and girls basketball and wrestling), holiday concerts, and PBIS holiday field trip is on December 23rd.

#### Director of Teaching and Learning

Mrs. Krohn presented the Board with a packet that shows a timeline of where we are at with curriculum and our goals for 2016. She also handed out a packet of descriptions and definitions of personalized learning elements.

#### Board Member Comments:

Mrs. O'Neil stated that she represented all board members for a pizza party with Sam Hett's class for winning the food drive. His class also had ice cream in the afternoon because they won the penny war as well.

Mr. Wrensch welcomed student representative Brad Pitzner and wished principal Cale Vogel a happy birthday.

Mrs. Loeb welcomed the new newspaper reporter Tara Schmidt from the Watertown Daily Times.

#### Approval of Minutes

Motion by McCaffery/O'Neil to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of October 27, 2014. Motion Carried.

#### Business Affairs/Treasurer's Report

Motion by Swanson/O'Neil to approve Accounts Payable checks 223412-223489, in the amount of \$98,799.81, no wire transfers, Payroll checks 14781-14802 in the amount of \$7,050.24 and Payroll ETF transactions 900928154-900928383 in the amount of \$258,809.69.

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

Yes - 7          No - 0          Absent - 0          Motion Carried

There were no budget adjustments.

#### Sites

Dr. Garvey gave an update on the new school project.

- Wondra Construction attended the construction team meeting last Monday. They reported that the site work has been going quite well. The soil they have been moving out of the hill has made a great building and driving pads. Assuming we can hold off the significant frost, they are

hopeful that the water and sewer pipe will be laid within the next week or so. They were working on the site on Monday.

- Dr. Garvey and Mr. Fischer met with Focus on Energy on Friday and they will play a role in comparing designs of the electrical, building, HVAC, water fixtures etc. There is an incentive which will be determined, for each energy savings design. We will need to review the designs and select which we will be using. Much of the design choices are already included in the plans and we receive credit for anything better than “code minimum”. Our incentive could be minimal but we expect to see some returns. It is capped at \$200,000.
- Dr. Garvey and Mr. Fischer also met with the architects on Friday to look over a number of other building details and will meet with the Landscape architect this Friday.
- TSP and South Industries representatives will meet Wednesday in Minneapolis to begin the dome design process.

Motion by Wrench/Draeger to refer the clarification of the grading project bid approval from October 6, 2014 to the Sites Committee where they will negotiate language which recognizes that the decisions were made after consulting TSP and Maas Brothers.

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

Yes - 7          No – 0          Absent - 0          Motion Carried

### **Athletic Facilities Ad Hoc Committee**

Mr. Vogel updated the Board on the athletic fields.

- The timeline of the project was discussed and the committee agreed that the end of January would be an acceptable time for the “live” launch of the marketing website.
- The committee communicated ideas for “themes” of the campaign: student-centered, athletics, recognize positives, community/pride, identity, raising the bar, now/for the future.
- The committee concurred with utilization of our school colors for campaign/website.
- Website design/aspects were recommended by the committee. The website needs to be a “one stop shop” of information related to the project and campaign. Tabs for social media, blogs, Facebook page, donation information, online pay pal, sponsorship, naming rights, renderings and specific line-item project information and progress.
- 6AM went through examples of a successful capital campaign process.

Motion by McCaffery/Wrench to approve the two official District Logos with colors/design (Bluejay with yellow-gold beak and motion JC). Motion Carried.

### **New Business**

Carol O’Neil, Board Clerk, announced the 2015 Spring Election. The following Board members terms expire this April: June McCaffery, Kellie Loeb, and Duane Draeger.

The Board was asked to complete a survey administered by the WASB. The survey will provide the Board with feedback as to the implementation of the Board Governance Model. It also will provide the

WASB indicators as to where they should be placing their Board Development efforts with regard to professional development.

**Meeting dates**

The Board will next meet on Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6 p.m.

Motion by Swanson/Draeger to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart  
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