

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON CREEK
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 21, 2015
6:00 p.m.
Elementary Music Room

President Rick Kaltenberg called the meeting to order.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Board Members Absent: Kellie Loeb

Also present: Superintendent Michael Garvey, Principal Cale Vogel, Principal Kris Blakeley, Buildings and Ground Director Dan Fischer, Administrative Assistant Rebecca Stewart, TSP Architect Martin Sell, and Paula Constable

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

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

Conduct the Annual Budget Hearing

President Rick Kaltenberg appointed Rebecca Stewart to be the secretary of the Budget Hearing and Annual meeting.

Dr. Garvey shared that the District again finished the year in good financial health with the only debt being the recently approved referendum monies from which the new school is being built.

State of the District 2015

- Student population continues to increase. This fall we are serving approximately 670 students in our EC-12 grade programs.
- Over the past nine years, we have seen a tremendous change in curriculum but most importantly a change in instructional practice. We are showing improvement in student achievement on our MAP (measures of academic progress) testing and on our state assessments.
- Recognized Mrs. Blakeley and Mrs. Krohn along with the staff, students, and parents for the statewide recognition received from the DPI and RtI center naming The Johnson Creek Elementary School a School of Distinction in Reading/Language Arts and a School of Merit in Mathematics.

Budget Review

Dr. Garvey shared the proposed budget:

- Continues to update the curriculum and instructional practice.
- Maintains the buildings using the space most efficiently while we work on the new school facilities which will open next fall.
- Continues our financial health.

- Supports the use of technology in the classrooms as instructional tools.

Dr. Garvey explained how recent legislation affects the revenue limits, how TID's affect property taxes, and he walked those present through the budget. He also reminded those present that the Board must, by statute, set the final levy by November 1st.

Motion by Swanson/O'Neil to recess the Board meeting in order to convene the Annual Meeting. Motion Carried.

Following the Annual Meeting, the Board meeting resumed.

Community Viewpoint

Paula Constable updated the Board on the work of the One Team One Dream Campaign. Total pledged to the new athletic fields is at \$684,000. Run for the Fields currently has 81 people registered. One Team One Dream Gala will be held on Saturday, February 20th, 2016 at the Elks Club in Watertown. This is a fundraiser to help raise money to build the new athletic fields.

Communications

Administrative Reports

Mrs. Blakeley, Mr. Vogel, and Mrs. Krohn provided the Board members with written reports.

Board Member Comments

Mrs. O'Neil thanked Paula Constable for all her hard work for the new athletic fields.

Mr. Pitzner mentioned he is excited to be the mascot for the Run for the Fields.

Mrs. McCaffery thanked staff and fellow Board members for helping her out last month during her husband's illness and after his death.

Committee Reports

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by O'Neil/Draeger to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of August 17, 2015. Motion Carried.

Business Affairs/Treasurer's Report

Motion by Swanson/Wrench to approve Accounts Payable checks 225308-225538 in the amount of \$1,251,712.38, wire transfers 201500001-201500002 in the amount of \$739,384.57, Payroll checks 14887-14894 in the amount of \$8,222.75 and Payroll ETF transactions 900930651-900930731 in the amount of \$72,595.31.

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

Yes - 6 No – 0 Absent - 1 Motion Carried

There were no budget adjustments.

Sites

TSP Architect Martin Sell updated the Board on the building construction and answered any questions the Board members had.

Personnel

Motion by O'Neil/Swanson to accept resignation from Lynn Mustio. Motion Carried.

Motion by Draeger/O'Neil to approve the hiring of Elementary Paraprofessional Katherine Francis. Motion Carried.

Motion by O'Neil/Wensch to approve the hiring of Safety Patrol Advisor Victoria Toebe, Girls Basketball Volunteer Coach Laci Gorski, and Assistant Athletic Director Chad Hayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wensch/McCaffery to approve Amanda Keeser's leave request with taking 3 days of personal leave and 2 days unpaid. Motion Carried.

Motion by McCaffery/Wensch to approve Lyssa and Raymond Lauersdorf's leave request with taking 2 days of personal leave. Motion Carried.

Motion by McCaffery/O'Neil to deny Mike Flood's leave request on October 29th and 30th. Motion Carried.

New Business

Motion by Wensch/Draeger to approve Elena Barron's early graduation request. Motion Carried.

No action was taken on the Johnson Creek Culture Club field trip request to Chicago, Illinois.

Motion by Wensch/Swanson to set the October Board meeting on Wednesday, October 28th at 6 p.m. This replaces the October 19th Board meeting. Motion Carried.

The Finance Committee will meet on October 19th at 6 p.m.

The WASB Region 12 meeting is Thursday, September 24th or Thursday, October 8th in Madison.

Dr. Garvey, Mrs. McCaffery, and Mrs. O'Neil will be attending the WASB Region 12 meeting on September 24th at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Swanson/Draeger to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca A. Stewart
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