Board of Trustees Regular Meeting - February 11, 2019

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on February 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library. Board Members present were Melvin Stene, Sharon Songstad, Dawn Blain, Doug Whitehead, Kathy Grewell, and Dave Schaible. Also present were Allison Evertz, Superintendent, Clark Begger, K-8 Principal and Felicia Smith, District Clerk/Business Manager. Visitors in attendance were Sam Anttila, Roberta O'Connor, Lane Nardinger, Shay Robertus, Hallie Rowlison, Shay Lind, Ben Herrington, Amber O'Rourke and Rick Grewell.

Melvin Stene called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Stene welcomed guests, explained procedure and asked for public comment.

Dave Schaible made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

IV. Reports

- a. <u>Student Council Report</u>: Lane Nardinger and Shay Robertus reported on Senior Night, Valentine's Day activitie, as well as the pep assembly for district basketball. The student council has scheduled a ski day for March 25; there will also be other options such as rock climbing, trampoline park, or other ideas they are exploring.
- b. Athletic Director Report Sam Anttila gave the Board information regarding the brackets for the District basketball tournaments. Middle school boys' basketball is tied for 1st and will play St. Francis tomorrow. There will be a 6th grade basketball game next week. Middle school preliminary track numbers are hovering around 55 athletes. Ms. Anttila informed the Board that they will ensure that adequate supervision is provided with the large amount of athletes using the track and field facilities each day to practice.
- c. <u>Building Report</u> Supt. Evertz provided information to the Board members who were available for the interior facility assessment held at 6:00 pm.
- d. PAX Program Report Hallie Rowlison and Shay Lind presented the Board with information the PAX behavioral program and the progress they are seeing with their students since its implementation.
- e. <u>ESEA Conference Report</u> Roberta O'Connor, Ben Herrington and Allison Evertz reported to the Board on the recent ESEA conference that they attended which focuses on instruction, leadership and policy in working with the Title programs. They presented good information on brain-based learning, how to deal with students who are emotionally distressed; and working with learning disabilities in students.
- V. <u>Correspondence</u> Supt. Evertz reviewed the correspondence provided to the Board which included two thank you notes from staff members; a letter from MHSA waiving the deadline for submission of the softball/wrestling co-op request; and a thank you letter from the NAAE for allowing Chad Massar to attend the national convention.

VI. Unfinished Business

a. <u>Custodial Equipment</u> – This agenda item was tabled to allow the facilities managers to test out options for equipment replacement.

VII. New Business

a. <u>Cheer Squad Evaluation</u> – Amber O'Rourke presented information to the Board on the progress of the Cheer program. The Board gave initial approval to reintroduce the cheer program for one year on a trial basis. Ms. O'Rourke and several students wrote letters to the Board expressing their desire for cheer to continue.

Dawn Blain made a motion to continue the JHS cheer program indefinitely. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

- MHSA Football Alignment The Board was provided information that was shared at the MHSA February meeting regarding football alignment for the 2019-2020 school year.
- c. <u>Safety Film on Windows</u> The Board originally approve the installation of safety film on the bank of windows that run along the south facing wing of the high school. Due to various events, the complete installation of the film was delayed. Supt. Evertz would like another approval to finish the installation. The quote for finishing the project is \$6,952.00.

Doug Whitehead made a motion to approve the safety film installation on the south facing wing of the high school. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

f. <u>Calendar Adoption</u> – This agenda item was tabled to allow review of the spring break dates on the proposed calendar for the 2019-2020 school year.

VIII. Personnel

Superintendent's Contract - This agenda item was tabled.

IX. Superintendent/Principal/Business Manager Reports

<u>Superintendent</u> – Ms. Evertz advised the Board on: MHSA Award; NAEP; William Henry (speaker) Proposal; Earl Campbell (cyber) Presentation; Administrator Trainings; Negotiations; Prom Date; Retirement Incentives; Mr. Begger's work with the elementary; School Library Book Fair; Vertical Alignment for Social Studies; Recent PIR Presentation; Gym Floor; Co-op Update; Rocky Mountain Speaking Engagement; FFA District results; and the Spring Play.

<u>Principal</u> – Mr. Begger presented the Board with updates on each of the grades K-8, along with information regarding the Gifted & Talented and Title programs. Mr. Begger also discussed the middle school mini courses.

<u>Business Manager</u> – Ms. Smith provided the Board with reports of all claims paid, payroll disbursements, and a financial statement.

X. Items for Next Agenda

Lending a bus for the USO show in Roberts
Metal Detectors
Class C Hypothetical
School Board Evaluation
Levy Discussion
Bus Purchase
Short IT Training for Devices

Custodial Equipment Calendar Adoption

XII. Next Board Meeting Date

The next regular Board meeting will be held March 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library.

XIII. Adjournment

Kathy Grewell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

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Chairman