

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – April 10, 2017

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on April 10, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library Room. Board Members present were Melvin Stene, Justin Oswald, Doug Whitehead, Kathy Grewell, Corie Mydland, Dawn Blain and Sharon Songstad. Also present were Allison Evertz, Superintendent and Sheryl Roberts, District Clerk/Business Manager and Marilyn Vukonich, High School Principal. Visitors included Gloria Hardy, Ann Conover, Samantha Anttila, Darlene Hartman, Amanda Lewis, Hal Lewis, Tanner White, Ty Olson and Colton Hogg.

Melvin Stene called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Stene welcomed guests and explained and asked for public comment. There was none.

Moved to Item IV. Reports.

- a. Student Council - Ty Olson reported on the ski day success last month and thanked the trustees for allowing the students to have a ski day. The annual staff vs. seniors basketball game is coming up. Student Council elections will be held by May 1.
- b. Senior Trip – Tanner White said a trip to the Cody, Wyoming recreation center is planned for May 8. The seniors would like to request that the district provide a bus and driver for the trip. Marilyn Vukonich said she has approved the trip and the seniors have agreed to the trip instead of a skip day.

Motion made by Sharon Songstad to allow the senior to go on the trip provided it does not interfere with the bus route. Motion seconded by Kathy Grewell. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Justin Oswald made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Doug Whitehead seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comments. The motion was unanimously carried.

IV. Reports

- a. Student Reports – Completed earlier.
- b. Athletic Director Update – Samantha Anttila reported on the success of the track team to date.
- c. Presentations – Colton Hogg discussed improvements he would like to do in the area outside the library window. He would like to have garden to grow food for the kitchen and a pond. He proposes that students can do the work. Ann Conover said there was money donated for a project like the proposed one in the past. Colton will draw up plans for the trustees to look at.

Samantha Anttila discussed a student project that sells popcorn and a drink to students on Friday. The project has made approximately \$500.00 so far this year.

- d. Building Update – Supt. Evertz reviewed the highlights of the maintenance logs provided in the board packet.
- V. Correspondence** – Supt. Evertz reviewed the correspondence that was provided in the board packet.

VI. Old Business

- a. Insurance Update – The insurance premium increase for next year will be 2%.
- b. Levy Information – Supt. Evertz reviewed a brochure she developed to inform voters about the technology fund levy.
- c. Retirement Incentive Approval – Chair Stene read Evelyn Fischer’s letter of resignation.
Motion made by Dawn Blain to accept the resignation of Evelyn Fischer effective May 26, 2017 and approve the retirement incentive payment to her as part of the package. Motion seconded by Kathy Grewell. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously with regrets.
- d. Independent Licensed Social Worker Contract
Discussion followed with many questions for clarification asked by the trustees. Items included the payment for services, privacy issues for students, lines of communication boundaries between Mrs. Lewis and the school staff and availability of the room for other school use. Supt. Evertz said the arrangement is really common in schools, the proposed contract was reviewed by MTSBA attorneys and she recommends a written agreement to protect the school.
Motion made by Justin Oswald to accept the proposed contract as amended. Motion seconded by Corie Mydland. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. RFP for Fiber Optic Cable to School -- There are no bids yet.

VII. New Business

- a. Resolution for SB 307
Motion made by Justin Oswald to adopt the resolution as presented. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Accreditation Report
Supt. Evertz reviewed the report. All schools have regular accreditation status.
- c. District School Bus Purchase
The bus has been ordered and delivery will be in June or July.
- d. Second Reading of Policy Change
Motion made by Corie Mydland to accept the second reading of Policy 3210. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. Election Update – The ballots are printed and approximately 804 absentee ballots will be sent out this week.
- f. Negotiations Update – A proposal has been given to JTA from the Negotiations Committee. The Committee is waiting for a response from JTA.

- g. Frontline Sub-finding Software -- Supt. Evertz reviewed information on the software and costs. Motion made by Sharon Songstad to approve the purchase of the software at a cost of \$5,500. Motion seconded by Dawn Blain. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- h. Summer School
Motion made by Dawn Blain to hold summer school for K-8 and to hire up to two teachers as done in the past. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- i. Joliet District Donation to the Scholarship Fund
Motion made by Corie Mydland to donate \$1,000 from both the elementary district and the high school district to the Joliet High School Scholarship Fund. Motion seconded by Dawn Blain. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- j. Authorization of Superintendent to Impact Ballot
Motion made by Sharon Songstad to authorize the superintendent to discuss the need for the technology fund levy with local groups. Motion seconded by Corie Mydland. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Personnel

- a. Retirement – Completed earlier.

- b. Teacher Rehires

Non-tenure Teacher Renewals

Motion made by Dawn Blain to renew the teaching contract of Samantha Anttila for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. This is her fourth contract which provides tenure rights. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Sharon Songstad to renew the teaching contract of Mandi Hernandez for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. This is her fourth contract which provides tenure rights. Motion seconded by Doug Whitehead. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Corie Mydland to renew the teaching contract of Ryan Workman for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Doug Whitehead. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Kathy Grewell to renew the teaching contract of Roberta O'Connor for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Dawn Blain. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Doug Whitehead to renew the teaching contract of Kevin Kriskovich for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Kathy Grewell. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Dawn Blain to renew the teaching contract of Matt Mickelson for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Corie Mydland. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Kathy Grewell to renew the teaching contract of Brandelyn Simpson for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Sharon Songstad. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Dawn Blain to renew the teaching contract of Lauren Brophy for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Corie Mydland. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Kathy Grewell to renew the teaching contract of Rachel Herrington for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Doug Whitehead. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Corie Mydland to renew the teaching contract of Ben Herrington for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Dawn Blain. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Dawn Blain to renew the teaching contract of Stacie Nardinger for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Doug Whitehead. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Tenured Teacher Renewals

Motion made by Justin Oswald to renew the teaching contract of Patty Bergum-Nafts, Ann Conover, Gloria Hardy, Lucy Jensen, Mary Koon, Sean McAndrews, Chad Massar, Alane O'Dore, Marcie Peters, Hallie Spoklie-Luoma, Hallie Rowilson, Carol Sherman, Brice Turk, Kayleen Torbert, George Warburton, Colette Webber, Karen McKay, Lindsay Thompson and Carrie White for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Motion seconded by Dawn Blain. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Summer Help

Motion made by Corie Mydland to hire two people for summer help. Motion seconded by Justin Oswald. There were no public comments or discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Superintendent/Principal/Business Manager Reports

Supt. Evertz reviewed the items in the board packet.

Marilyn Vukonich handed out her report and reviewed it with the trustees.

X. Items for Next Agenda

- a. Canvas Election Results
- b. Swearing in of elected Trustees
- c. Reorganization of the Board of Trustees
- d. Special meeting needed before May 1.

There will be a negotiations committee meeting Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. The next regular board meeting date will be April 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Corie Mydland made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Approved 5-8-2017

Clerk Sheryl Roberts

Chairman Arvin Blaine