

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – May 11, 2020

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on May 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom call. Board Members present were Melvin Stene, Justin Oswald, 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: Christine Bergum, Brenda Wetstein, Hallie Spoklie-Luoma, Jennifer Simons, Monica Salo, Samantha Anttila, Candace Dworshak, Michelle Carpenter, Ashley Engelke, Danielle Sullivan, Blaise Lodermeier, Betty Grewell, Mike Creeden, Kristen Goodwin, Evelyn Fischer, Mary Koon, Shay Lind, John Counter, Marcie Peters, Mandi Hernandez, Toni Atkins, Aly Nardinger, Carol Sherman, Russ Salo and Dale Limberhand.

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. Mike Creeden offered public comment on Board voting procedures; Dennis Luoma offered public comment on the 2020 graduation plans. Both comments were read by Mr. Begger.

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

IV. Reports

- a. Athletic Director – Ms. Anttila stated that there would be a State Class B meeting at Fairmont with topics to include: tournament brackets, softball, girls' wrestling, state brackets, number of teams at state volleyball, Hudl, MHSA viewing, 20-21 track, 20-21 tournament sites, cross country and cheer. Teams ordering uniforms this year on the rotation schedule will be middle school football and high school basketball. Ms. Anttila also discussed teams for the 5/6 grades for basketball, volleyball, track and the possibility of doing football at Yellowstone, which would not be viable due to our lack of numbers.
- b. Student Council – Ms. Hernandez gave a report for the Student Council regarding the pictures of the 2020 graduates along the highway. Elections for the 2020-21 student council board is in progress.
- c. Building Report – A building report was provided in the Board packet for review. Russ Salo highlighted projects in the high school science lab, high school hallway, restroom entrances in the high school, small gym hall, high school server room and the restrooms in the elementary.

V. Correspondence – Correspondence was provided to the Board.

VI. Unfinished Business

- a. Summer School Update – There may be a greater than normal need for remedial instruction to prepare students for the 2020-21 school year due to the COVID-19 school closure. Usually summer school is open for K-8 students, however this year it will be opened up for K-11 students. Teachers will make referrals and letters will be sent to parents. Participation is voluntary, but may be more necessary than ever due to forced closures.
- b. Property Disposal Update – The Board approved a resolution to dispose of school property at the April 13, 2020 Board meeting. The resolution was published and posted. Time has elapsed and the property will be disposed of in accordance with the resolution.

VII. New Business

- a. High Performance Floors – Last summer the new gym floor was sanded down completely, stained and refinished by Northern Hardwood. Each summer the District must do maintenance on the gym floor. High Performance has done an excellent job in the past. The high quality work and affordable quote for the yearly maintenance this year makes High Performance the most responsible bid.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve High Performance Floors for the summer refinish job in the gymnasiums. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

- b. Elementary Interior – The maintenance and custodial staff have started tackling the interior projects list. At the January 13, 2020 Board meeting, a walk-through was done to determine priority of projects in the buildings. The elementary bathrooms are in the process of necessary and extensive upgrades. The flooring and partitions need to be replaced in the elementary bathrooms.

Dawn Blain made a motion to approve the KC Interiors bid for the flooring in the elementary bathrooms. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to approve the Robert Brooke and Associates bid for the partitions in the elementary bathrooms. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

VIII. Personnel

- a. Resignations
Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board accept the resignation of John Nelson as the head high school girls' basketball coach effective immediately.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to accept the resignation of John Nelson effective immediately. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

- b. Hiring
Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Riley Simons as a temporary summer worker at \$11.25 per hour for the 2020 summer season.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Riley Simons as a temporary summer worker for the 2020 summer season. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Collette Webber as the head high school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Collette Webber as the head high school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Shay Lind as the assistant high school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Shay Lind as the assistant high school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of George Warburton as the head high school football coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to hire George Warburton as the head high school football coach for the 2020-21 school year. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Shane Anderson as an assistant high school football coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Shane Anderson as an assistant high school football coach for the 2020-21 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Caleb Gee as an assistant high school football coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Caleb Gee as an assistant high school football coach for the 2020-21 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of John Nelson as the head high school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire John Nelson as the head high school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Doug Whitehead seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Gunnar Nelson as the assistant high school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Gunnar Nelson as the assistant high school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Rachel Herrington as the high school and middle school head cross country coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Doug Whitehead made a motion to hire Rachel Herrington as the high school and middle school head cross country coach for the 2020-21 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Savvy Weimer as the head middle school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Savvy Weimer as the head middle school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Eleah Maxfield as the assistant middle school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to hire Eleah Maxfield as the assistant middle school volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Josh Cook as the head middle school football coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Josh Cook as the head middle school football coach for the 2020-21 school year. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of John Counter as the assistant middle school football coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire John Counter as the assistant middle school football coach for the 2020-21 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Paige Smith as the head middle school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Paige Smith as the head middle school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Dylan Smith as the assistant middle school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to hire Dylan Smith as the assistant middle school boys' basketball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of George Warburton as the head middle school track coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire George Warburton as the head middle school track coach for the 2020-21 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Ben Herrington as an assistant middle school track coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to hire Ben Herrington as an assistant middle school track coach for the 2020-21 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Kevin Kriskovich as the 5/6 grade volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Kevin Kriskovich as the 5/6 grade volleyball coach for the 2020-21 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Karen McKay as the director for concert band, high school play, honor band, swing choir and pep band for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Karen McKay as the director for concert band, high school play, honor band, swing choir and pep band for the 2020-21 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Bob Reed as the speech and drama coach for the 2020-21 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to hire Bob Reed as the speech and drama coach for the 2020-21 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Mandi Hernandez as the student council advisor for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Mandi Hernandez as the student council advisor for the 2020-21 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Patty Bergum-Nafts as the yearbook advisor for the 2020-21 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to hire Patty Bergum-Nafts as the yearbook advisor for the 2020-21 school year. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Chad Massar as the FFA advisor for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Chad Massar as the FFA advisor for the 2020-21 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Patty Bergum-Nafts as the concessions manager for the 2020-21 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to hire Patty Bergum-Nafts as the concessions manager for the 2020-21 school year. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Kevin Kriskovich as the summer school teacher for the 2020 session.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Kevin Kriskovich as the summer school teacher for the 2020 session. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Kristen Goodwin as the special education teacher for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Kristen Goodwin as the special education teacher for the 2020-21 school year. Doug Whitehead seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Levi Cook as the driver's education instructor for the 2020 session.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Levi Cook as the driver's education instructor for the 2020 session. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

- c. Administrative Contracts
Superintendent Evertz has a two year contract.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Clark Begger as the elementary and middle school principal for the 2020-21 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to hire Clark Begger as the elementary and middle school principal for the 2020-21 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Marlaina Myers as the district administrative assistant for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Marlaina Myers as the district administrative assistant for the 2020-21 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Felicia Smith as the district clerk and business manager for the 2020-21 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Felicia Smith as the district clerk and business manager for the 2020-21 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Jill Brookings as the K-12 district secretary for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Jill Brookings as the K-12 district secretary for the 2020-21 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Melvin Stene recommended that the Board approve the administrative salaries for the 2020-21 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to approve the administrative salaries for the 2020-21 school year. Doug Whitehead seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

IX. Superintendent/Principal/Business Manager Reports

Superintendent – Ms. Evertz advised the Board on: check-out day; proficiency idea; the master class schedule in the high school; driver's education; projections.

Principal – Mr. Begger updated the Board on happenings in the Elementary and Middle School for distance learning, 8th grade retention policy, Mrs. Williams' Wednesday mint reverse parade, and textbook adoption for math curriculum.

Business Manager – Ms. Smith provided the Board with reports of all claims paid, payroll disbursements, and a financial statement. Correspondence was received from Dennis Luoma and Hallie Spoklie-Luoma, which was distributed to the Board. The FY 2019 audit was received. A voter had a complaint about the upcoming trustee election; correspondence from the district's legal counsel was received advising that the district is conducting elections in accordance with state law.

X. Items for Next Agenda

Classified Contracts
Adam Milligan School Data Presentation
BPA Presentation
Expedition EL
Accreditation Review

XI. Next Board Meeting Date

The next regular Board meeting will be held June 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library.

XII. Adjournment

Dawn Blain made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Approved

05/08/2020

Chairman

Melvin R. Stene

Clerk

