

## **Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – November 21, 2023**

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on November 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Joliet School Library. Board Members present were Dawn Blain, Amanda Dinsdale, Ken Adams, Kathy Grewell, Justin Oswald and Jason Stene. Also present were Clark Begger, Superintendent; Mandi Hernandez, MS/HS Principal; Joey Richert, K1-5 Principal; and Felicia Smith, Business Manager/Clerk. Visitors in attendance were: Tammie Grewell and Barry Rowilson.

Dawn Blain called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Blain welcomed guests, explained procedure and asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

### **III. Reports**

- a. Teacher Report – Mrs. Grewell provided a presentation on the ELA work in her classroom, as well and a presentation on the middle school Dude Be Nice activities. A high school Dude Be Nice meeting was held last week for interested students. The gifted and talented students are currently working on a robotics module which includes, building, testing, programming, coding, navigation, modifications, and providing a “bid”.
- b. Athletic Director – Mr. Rowilson updated the board on: fall awards banquet; fall sports, which are all completed; coaching evaluations; basketball and wrestling will begin shortly; scheduling and referees; gym floors were refinished at the beginning of November; all winches for the basketball hoops have been replaced.
- c. 6-12 Principal – Mrs. Hernandez updated the Board on: Parent/Teacher conferences; midterm; woods class; 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Museum of the Rockies; Flakesgiving; FFA; honor band auditions; IATs; dual credit registration; MS JMG; middle school and high school academics.
- d. K1-5 Principal – Mr. Richert updated the Board on: Parent/Teacher conferences; SOAR assembly; Halloween activities; Expedition Yellowstone; Thanksgiving Lunch, Teacher Professional Development; and Turkey Bowl.
- e. Business Manager – Mrs. Smith updated the Board on: P-Card program implementation; OPI reporting and ESSER funding.

- IV. Consent Agenda: Claim Warrants ACH 99655-99652 & checks 51124-51198; Payroll Warrants ACH 84904-84830 & 63852-63892; Activity ACH, transfers, voided checks and checks 17075-17140; Minutes: 10/17/2023 board meeting; personnel action report. Jason Stene made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Amanda Dinsdale seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

### **V. Action Items**

#### **A. New Business**

1. Personnel – The Hiring Committee conducted interviews on October 30, 2023 and is recommending hiring Ahnna Goodrich as a teacher effective January 2, 2024 for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the hiring of Ahnna Goodrich as a teacher effective January 2, 2024 for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year. Ken Adams

seconded the motion. There was no board discussion. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

Superintendent Begger is recommending that the Board hire Tamme Ward as the Assistant High School Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2023-24 season.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the hiring of Tamme Ward as the Assistant High School Girls' Basketball Coach for the 2023-24 season. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no board discussion. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (H).

2. First Reading of Policy 3141 – Discretionary Nonresident Student Attendance Policy – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on October 10, 2023 in light of the impact of HB203.

Jason Stene made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 3141. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

First Reading of Policy 7008 – Nonresident Student Attendance Agreement (Tuition/Transportation Cost) – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on October 10, 2023 in light of the impact of HB203.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 7008. Jason Stene seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

3. Review/Update Integrated Strategic Action Plan -- The Policy Committee reviewed this document on October 10, 2023 in light of the impact of HB203. The Strategic Plan is impacted by the policies outlined above. As a result of changing accreditation requirements from the OPI, the strategic plan needs to be renamed the Integrated Strategic Action Plan.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the updated Integrated Strategic Action Plan for the 2023-24 school year. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

4. Disposal of Obsolete District Property – In an effort to keep the pole barn free of clutter, Head Facilities Director, Nicole Juhnke will regularly submit obsolete items for the trustees to review and consider for disposal. The items to be disposed of were provided in the Board packet.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to approve the November 2023 Resolution for Disposal. Ken Adams seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 6-0 (B).

## **B. Unfinished Business**

NONE.

- VI. **Discussion/Informational Items** – Mrs. Smith provided the Board with information regarding a request from the OPI to make changes to the FY2023 Trustee’s Financial Summary to reflect Indian Education For All expenditures. Mr. Begger provided the Board with the following information: Maintenance Logs; 10/04/2023 Negotiations Committee Minutes; 10/05/2023 Negotiations Committee Minutes; 10/10/2023 Policy Committee Minutes; 10/17/2023 Budget Committee Minutes; 10/17/2023 Activities Committee Minutes; 10/30/2023 Hiring Committee Minutes; Fire Inspection Report; Food Inspection Report; Negotiations; Hiring/Staffing Update; Safe Return to School and Continuity of Services Plan; Superintendent’s Schedule; New OPI Accreditation Process; (Kelly Carrington joined the meeting via phone) Potential On-Site Teacher Child Care for the 2024-25 school year. (Kelly Carrington left the meeting).
- VII. **Correspondence** – NONE
- VIII. **Suggested Topics for Next Agenda:**  
Facilities Master Planning Presentation – CD Architects  
Process and selection of tool for Superintendent Evaluation  
Safe Return to School and Continuity of Services
- IX. **Next Board Meeting Date**  
Regular Board Meeting – December 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- X. **Adjournment**  
Ms. Blain adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Approved 12/19/2023  
Board Chair Laura Blain

Clerk [Signature]