

## **Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – December 12, 2022**

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on December 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library. Board Members present were Dawn Blain, Justin Oswald, Ken Adams, Amanda Dinsdale, Kathy Grewell, Jason Stene, Doug Whitehead and Karin Williams. Also present were Clark Begger, Superintendent; Mandi Hernandez, 6-12 Principal; Theresa Keel, K-5 Principal; and Felicia Smith, District Clerk/Business Manager. Visitors in attendance were: Barry Rowlison, Hanah Bazaldua, Trey Bazaldua, Gina Schaible, Nan Knight and Stacie Nardinger.

Dawn Blain called the meeting to order at 6:00 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. Athletic Director – Mr. Rowlison indicated that basketball is underway, with the Wooden Tournament which was held December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> in Red Lodge. Wrestling is also in progress, with 7 athletes participating. Speech and Drama is going well. The fall banquet was held November 29<sup>th</sup>. There are some issue with getting referees for the JV games this coming Friday, but AD Rowlison is working on it. Coaching interviews for track and volleyball will be taking place on December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- b.. Transportation – Mr. Smith was unavailable, but communicated that bus repairs are almost complete and a route driver has been recruited to being work in January.
- c. High School Principal – Ms. Hernandez updated the Board on high school and middle school academics. Finals and testing will be happening this week, with the semester ending next week. Registration changes can take place on December 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. There are more students who have expressed interest in the work study program for the second semester. Teacher evaluations are completed. The middle school/high school concert will be December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- d. K-5 Principal – Ms. Keel updated the Board on elementary academics. The middle school JMG classes ae doing activities with the younger students. K-8 MAPs assessments will be done by the break, as well as iReady. PSAT scores will be out by December 20<sup>th</sup>. Expedition Yellowstone has been rescheduled for February 21-24, 2023.
- e. Business Manager/Clerk – Monthly reports were included in the Board packet. The school website has been updated with the new election information, as well as information on how to file to run for the two elementary trustee positions that are in this election cycle.

- IV.** Consent Agenda: Claim Warrants 99697-99699 & 50411-50486; Payroll Warrants ACH 85489-85566 & 63215-63279; Activity Warrants ACH & Interfund transfers; 16713-16749; Minutes: 11/14/2022; Resignation: C. Webber as High School Volleyball Coach. Ken Adams made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

### **V. Discussion Items**

The Board discussed the draft strategic plan.

VI. **Action Items**

A. **New Business**

1. Wrestling Request for School Vehicle – The wrestling parents would like to utilize a school vehicle to transport seven wrestlers to practice at Billings Central. The Board discussed the pros and cons of providing transportation. Public comment in support of utilizing a school vehicle was given by Hanah Bazaldua, Nan Knight and Gina Schaible.

Ken Adams made a motion to delegate the approval of wrestling/softball/soccer transportation requests to the administration. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no more board discussion and no more public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

2. Personnel – Superintendent Begger provided the Board with information on the following hiring recommendations: D. Sullivan for the middle school/high school assistant cheer coach; and D. Walters for C Squad Boys Basketball Coach.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the hiring of D. Sullivan for the middle school/high school assistant cheer coach. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

Jason Stene made a motion to approve the hiring of D. Walters as the C-Squad Boys Basketball Coach. Amanda Dinsdale seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (H).

3. First Reading of Policy 3305 — Use of Restraint, Seclusion, and Aversive Techniques for Students – The Policy Committee reviewed this new policy on November 14, 2022 which defines and outlines district protocols if/when it becomes necessary to utilize restraints, seclusion, and aversive techniques for students. This model policy is being recommended with a change to how parents are contacted in such circumstances. Most of the time, parents will be notified via phone call. Committee Chair Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 3305. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

4. First Reading of Policy 3510 — School Sponsored Student Activities – The Policy Committee reviewed this new policy on November 14, 2022 which defines and outlines district protocols for school sponsored student activities. Committee Chair Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 3510. Jason Stene seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

5. First Reading of Policy 3530 — Student Fund Raising Activities – The Policy Committee reviewed this new policy on November 14, 2022 which outlines district protocols for



student fundraising activities. Committee Chair Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee's discussion.

Karin Williams made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 3530. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

6. First Reading of Policy 3550 & 3550F — Student Clubs – The Policy Committee reviewed this policy on November 14, 2022 which is an update that outlines district protocols and defines student clubs. 3550F introduces a standard form for the student club approval. Committee Chair Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee's discussion.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 3550 and 3550F. Karin Williams seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

7. Resolution of Intent to Dispose of District Property – The attached "2022 Year End Disposal", items have been designated as obsolete.

Jason Stene made a motion to approve the Resolution of Intent to Dispose of District Property "2022 Year End Disposal". Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion carried 8-0 (B).

8. 4 Year Old Kindergarten Applications – Per Policy 3110, the Trustees, at their discretion, may enroll 4 year old students in the District's kindergarten class. These two students are in-district.

Ken Adams made a motion to approve the enrollment applications for students #1 and #2. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion carried 7-0 (E).

9. Approval of Superintendent Evaluation Process and Evaluation Tool – Trustees were provided with information from MTSBA and a potential evaluation tool.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to approve the process and evaluation tool. Amanda Dinsdale seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion carried 8-0 (B).

10. Safe Return to Schools and Continuity of Service Plan – This Plan needs to be reviewed and approved at the Board level every six months. The Plan was reviewed by the Policy Committee on December 12, 2022. Committee Chair Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee's discussion.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the District's Safe Return to School and Continuity of Service Plan. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion carried 8-0 (B).

**B. Unfinished Business**

1. Second Reading of Policy 2335 — Health Enhancement / AIDS Education & Prevention – The Policy Committee reviewed the change to this policy which includes an update to reflect new requirements of SB99. The District’s proposed annual notice was included for review. It is important to note that JPS has not changed any content related to human sexuality standards. Committee Chair Dinsdale updated the Board on the Committee’s discussion.

Amanda Dinsdale made a motion to approve the second reading of Policy 2335. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried 8-0 (B).

2. Second Reading of Policy 1400 — Time of Regular School Board Meetings – There was previous discussion at the November regular school board meeting regarding a possible change to the date and time of the regular board meetings.

Justin Oswald made a motion to approve the second reading of Policy 1400 to change the day and time of the regular school board meetings to the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Ken Adams seconded the motion. There was no board discussion and no public comment. The motion was carried 6-2, with Amanda Dinsdale and Doug Whitehead voting no (B).

**VII. Informational** – Mr. Begger provided the Board with the following information: Policy, Facilities/Grounds and Hiring Committee Minutes; Hiring Update; Superintendent’s Schedule; School Wellness Process; Facility Logs; Chromebook Purchasing Rotation; Current Enrollment; Drug Testing; and K-8 ELA Curriculum Adoption.

**VIII. Correspondence** – There was no correspondence.

**IX. Suggested Topics for Next Agenda:**  
Superintendent Evaluation & Renewal  
Election Resolutions  
Levy Discussion/Determination/Resolution

**X. Next Board Meeting Date**  
Activities Committee Meeting – December 15, 2022 at 10 a.m.  
Hiring Committee Meeting – January 6, 2023 at 9 a.m.  
Policy Committee Meeting – January 17, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.  
Regular Board Meeting – January 17, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

**XI. Adjournment**  
Ms. Blain adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Approved 1-17-23  
Board Chair Jann Blain

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