

**JENNINGS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**Central Administration Office Building**  
**Executive Session Virtually**  
**Regular Board Meeting Virtually**  
**December 10, 2020**

**Executive Session:** The Jennings County School Corporation Board of School Trustees met virtually in executive session on December 10, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the following in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b):

- (9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process.

State and local agencies are concerned with holding public meetings in light of the declared public health emergency associated with COVID-19. The above Executive Session was held virtually.

Board Members in attendance virtually were Pat Sullivan, Earl Taggart, Travis Shepherd, Tony Daeger, Chelsea Morrison, Susan Wahlman, and Amy Pettit. Superintendent Teresa Brown and Administrative Assistants Shannon Lacoursiere, and Philip Marsh were also in attendance virtually.

In the event that more time is needed to address items in the executive session, the session will recess and reconvene after the regular meeting.

**Regular Meeting:** The Board of School Trustees held its regular meeting virtually. The meeting began at 7:15 p.m.

State and local agencies are concerned with holding public meetings in light of the declared public health emergency associated with COVID-19. The following link is available to live stream our meeting from your home:

<https://youtu.be/RtzXJtc8lvk>

This meeting is a meeting of the School Board in public for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation's business and it is not to be considered a public community meeting. Public comments will be accepted in writing up to two hours before the board meeting. Public comments should be submitted to [patsullivan@jpsc.org](mailto:patsullivan@jpsc.org) (Policy 0166)

Pat Sullivan, Earl Taggart, Travis Shepherd, Tony Daeger, Chelsea Morrison, Susan Wahlman, and Amy Pettit. Superintendent Teresa Brown, Assistant Superintendent Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Shannon Lacoursiere, Todd Ebinger, Amanda Sullivan, Roy Herr, Philip Marsh, and Board Executive Secretary Debbie Andis were also in attendance virtually.

Consent Agenda Items (Bylaw 0166.1) – Consent agenda items are those items for which Board members have reviewed the information provided to them and all of the Board members approve of the action noted within the public notes. If any Board member has a concern about an item, he/she will request that the item be removed from this grouping to be voted upon individually. The following consent agenda items will be presented for approval without discussion:

- II. Minutes;
- IVA2. Field Trips;
- IVB1. Professional Staff: Leaves;
- IVB2. Professional Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- IVB5. Conference Requests;
- IVC1. Support Staff: Leaves;
- IVC2. Support Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- IVC4. Conference Requests;
- V. Claims;

Agenda Information Items – Information items are those items that the Board members are given to review. If a Board member wishes to discuss any of these items, he/she will indicate that the item(s) be removed from this grouping for discussion during the meeting.

The following information items will be shared with the Board:

- IVD3. November Fund Report

## **Agenda**

- I. Consent Agenda Items  
Mr. Daeger made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Wahlman seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
- II. Minutes of the Board Work Session November 17, 2020, Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 19, 2020, and the Minutes of the Board Work Session November 23, 2020.  
These minutes were approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.
- III. Community Non-Agenda Items
  - The President will read comments submitted by the public.  
No comments were submitted.
- IV. New Business
  - A. Programs (Policy 2000)
    - 1. Special Education, Update  
Todd Ebinger and Amanda Sullivan presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Results Driven Accountability data for JCSC Special Programs.
    - 2. Field Trips  
None at this time.

## B. Professional Staff (Policy 3000)

### 1. Leaves

- Angie Burton, Scipio Elementary Teacher, leave effective 11/23/2020 – 12/21/2020.

The above leave was approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

### 2. Resignations/Retirements

- Murielle Bright, JCSC and Board Attorney, resignation effective 1/01/2021.
- Stacy (Becky) Grider, NVE CARES Teacher, resignation effective 1/01/2021.

The above resignations were approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

### 3. Recommendations

- Career Increment / Master Teacher Stipend  
2021/2022, 2022/2023, 2023/2024, 2024/2025, 2025/2026
  - Jessica Floyd
  - Beverly S. Gibson
- Susan Harding, Interim Food Service Director through 12/31/2020, Approval
- Kevin Smith, JCMS Volunteer Wrestling Coach, effective 12/8/2020.

Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the above recommendations. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

### 4. Lane Change, Approval

Mrs. Brown noted that the lane change is an agreement between the Board and Teacher's Association each year and was not in the actual contract. We are asking the Board to approve the changes in pay due to lane change (Bachelor to Masters etc.). The amount is \$1,500.00 for a lane change.

Ms. Morrison made a motion to approve the above lane change. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

### 5. Conference Requests

None at this time.

## C. Support Staff (Policy 4000)

### 1. Leaves

None at this time.

### 2. Resignations/Retirements

- Emily Coldiron, JCHS Custodian, resignation effective 12/7/2020.
- Kaitlin Edmondson, SCE Para Pro, resignation effective 12/4/2020.
- Lynsey Gomes, JCHS Cook, resignation effective 12/2/2020.
- Annette Harding, JCMS CNA, resignation effective 11/30/2020.

- Kimberly Richart, Hayden Elementary Cook, resignation effective 12/31/2020.

The above resignations were approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

3. Recommendations

- Sheryl Atkins, SCE Part Time Custodian, termination effective 12/9/2020.
- Jessica Jaquess, BCE 29-hour Para Pro, \$10.00 hr., effective 12/8/2020.
- Kristen Mytyk, SCE 29-hour Para Pro to Full Time Para Pro, effective 11/30/2020.
- Mandy Pike, JCMS 29-hour Para Pro to Full Time Para Pro, effective 11/30/2020.
- Patricia Pollitt, NVE Custodian, \$11.75 hr., effective 12/28/2020.
- Rick Sochicki, JCMS Volunteer Wrestling Coach, effective 12/8/2020.

Mr. Daeger made a motion to approve the above recommendations. Mrs. Pettit seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

4. Conference Requests

None at this time.

D. Finances (Policy 6000)

1. Donations, Approval

- Speer Farms, \$250.00 to JCMS, to support staff.
- Bowman Ford / Mike Gartlitch, \$250.00 to JCMS, to support staff.
- Coca Cola, \$68.99 to SCE Student Fund.
- NVIC, \$500.00 to SCE Robotics Club.
- First United Methodist Church, \$300.00 to SCE for school supplies.
- Decatur Plastics, 50 Nutritional Weekend Back Sacks to SCE.
- Jennings County Community Foundation, \$312.19 Classroom Grant to Damian Villa at NVE.
- Jennings County Community Foundation, \$292.20 Classroom Grant to Becky Grider at NVE.

Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the above donations. Ms. Morrison seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

2. Resolution, Approval

- a. *Attachment* - Resolution Authorizing the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer to make payment of claims without Board action prior to January 7, 2021, and to allow the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer to make transfers of Appropriation within the Education, Debt Service, and Operations Funds in order to Balance Major Account Classifications.

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the above resolution. Mrs. Wahlman seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

- b. *Attachment* - Resolution Authorizing the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer of Jennings County Schools to make Temporary Transfers from a Fund having a Sufficient Balance to a Fund having a Depleted Balance for December 31, 2020 Cash Flow Purposes.

Mr. Daeger made a motion to approve the above resolution. Mrs. Pettit seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

3. November Fund Report

This report was included in the Board packet.

E. Property (Policy 7000)

1. Martin Riley Architects 2021 Roof Work Proposal, Approval

Roy Herr is asking the Board for approval to move forward with the roof maintenance work at Scipio and North Vernon Elementary.

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the Martin Riley Architects 2021 Roof Work Proposal. Ms. Morrison seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

F. Operations (Policy 8000)

1. Bus Route Contract Change, Approval

Mrs. Brown informed the Board that Aaron Green is transferring his SC100 route and Shuttle to JCMS to Dawn Koors. Mrs. Brown is asking the Board for approval for this change.

Mrs. Pettit made a motion to approve the Bus Route Contract Change. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

2. Permission to issue RFP for Food Service Contract, Approval

Mrs. Brown is asking permission to move forward with pursuing an RFP for outsourcing food services.

Mrs. Pettit made a motion to approve permission to issue RFP for the Food Service Contract. Mr. Daeger seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

G. Relations (Policy 9000)

1. MOU between WTIU and JCSC, covering datacasting assets rights and permissions clearance responsibility and liability, Approval

Mrs. Brown noted that this was reviewed by Ellie Bright and is needed for IU to be able to work with us on datacasting (WTIU, Bloomington). Mrs. Brown is asking the Board for approval.

Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the above MOU. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

2. Settlement of Wrongful Death Claim, Approval

Mrs. Brown is asking the Board to approve the settlement reached. It is favorable for JCSC and allows us to recapture benefits paid by insurance.

Mrs. Wahlman made a motion to approve settlement. Mrs. Pettit seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

V. Claims

The claims were presented for approval in the amount of \$2,098,950.40 (claims 3713 – 3907) and payroll in the amount of \$2,261,946.02 (check dates 11/30/2020 and 12/15/2020).

These claims were approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

VI. Other

A. Updates

1. Mrs. Brown shared that JCSC was awarded a grant for \$25,000.00 to feed students for the year from the No Kid Hungry grant.
2. Transportation update –the district has scheduled meetings in each school to provide the drivers with updated routes and a proposed two-year contract extension. We will be working with our school attorney to draft a contract extension. A meeting was held for bus driver representatives to get input on key decisions and this information will be shared with all bus drivers. This is an ongoing process and Warren will be communicating with bus drivers as we move through the contract extension.

IX. Adjournment

Mrs. Pettit made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. Ms. Morrison seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

The Board of Trustees of Jennings County School Corporation did not discuss any subject matter in the Executive Session other than that specified in the Public Notice.

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