

JENNINGS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Central Administration Office Building
Executive Session
Annual Board of Finance Meeting
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
January 23, 2025

Executive Session: The Jennings County School Corporation Board of School Trustees met in executive session on January 23, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Special Education Conference Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Administration Office Building, 34 West Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265, to discuss the following in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b):

- (5) To receive information about and interview prospective employees.
IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5).
- (6) With respect to any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction:
(A) to receive information concerning the individual's alleged misconduct;
IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6).

Board members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Cheryl Miller, Pat Sullivan, Travis Shepherd, Earl Taggart, Chelsea Morrison and Mary Lynn Whitcomb. Superintendent Dr. Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Carrie Manowitz and Philip Marsh were also in attendance.

The Executive Session adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Annual Board of Finance Meeting – The annual meeting of the Board of Finance for Jennings County School Corporation was held in the Board Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Administration Office Building, 34 West Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265. This meeting began at 6:45 p.m.

The following link was also available to live stream the Annual Board of Finance Meeting from your home:

<https://youtube.com/live/k21eHy1htPc?feature>

Board members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Cheryl Miller, Pat Sullivan, Travis Shepherd, Earl Taggart, Chelsea Morrison and Mary Lynn Whitcomb. Superintendent Dr. Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Carrie Manowitz, Philip Marsh, Todd Ebinger, Amanda Sullivan, and Board Executive Secretary Deb Johnson were also in attendance.

Agenda

Dr. Johnson called the Annual Board of Finance meeting to order (Bylaw 0151.1).

A. Election of a President and Secretary

Dr. Johnson asked for nominations for President and Secretary of the Board of Finance.

Ms. Whitcomb made a motion to nominate Dr. Amy Pettit for President and Mrs. Miller nominated Pat Sullivan as Secretary. 5 yes, 0 no, 2 abstained (Pettit and Sullivan).

B. Designation of Depositories

Mr. Marsh stated that the designated depositories are German American Bank and Jackson County Bank.

C. Receive and review the Annual Investment Report

Mr. Marsh stated we have the G.O. Bond invested from 2024.

D. Review the Investment Policy of the Corporation, Policy 6144

Mr. Marsh recommended that no changes be made to Policy 6144.

E. Cancellation of Outstanding Checks

Mr. Marsh stated that the oldest outstanding check in the system is about fifteen months old.

F. Corporation Fiscal and Qualitative Indicators

Mr. Marsh reviewed the packet given to the board.

G. Adjournment

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to adjourn at 6:49 p.m. Mr. Taggart seconded the motion.

7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

Regular Meeting: The Board of School Trustees held its regular meeting in the Board Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Administration Office Building, 34 West Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The following link was also available to live stream the Regular Board meeting from your home:

<https://youtube.com/live/5AHPTXqlvz8?feature>

Board members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Cheryl Miller, Pat Sullivan, Travis Shepherd, Earl Taggart, Chelsea Morrison and Mary Lynn Whitcomb. Superintendent Dr. Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Carrie Manowitz, Philip Marsh, Todd Ebinger, Amanda Sullivan, and Board Executive Secretary Deb Johnson were also in attendance.

This meeting was 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. There will be time for public participation as indicated by the agenda. (Policy 0166)

Consent Agenda Items: The following items were provided to the Board for their review and approval. If any Board Member had a concern about an item, he/she would have requested that the item(s) be removed from this grouping to be voted upon individually.

The following consent agenda items will be presented for approval without discussion:

- III. Minutes;
- VIA2. Field Trips;
- VIB1. Professional Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VIC1. Support Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VIC2. Support Staff: Transfers;
- VII. Claims;

Information Items: These items were given to the Board to review. If a Board Member wished to discuss any of these items; he/she would have indicated that the item(s) be removed from the grouping for discussion during the meeting.

The following information items will be shared with the Board:

None at this time.

Agenda

- I. Pledge
The President, Dr. Pettit, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. She reminded everyone that we are live streaming this board meeting tonight and welcomed those joining us via the web and those present in person.
- II. Consent Agenda Items
Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve consent agenda items. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
- III. Minutes of the Executive Session and the Regular Board Meeting of January 9, 2025.
These minutes were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.
- IV. Community Non-Agenda Items
 - Recognition of 2024-2025 Fall Sports Achievements.
Dr. Johnson recognized Jennings County Fall Sports Achievements for 2024-2025 with introducing cross country athlete, Kraedyn Young and Tennis athlete, Parker Bales to congratulate them on all of their accomplishments during the season.
 - Presentation by Alan Brittingham to the Orchestra Department.
Mr. Alan Brittingham donated a hand crafted guitar to the Orchestra Department Director, Chris Billings. Other donations made possible were from Mr. Sullivan with a guitar case and humidipac.
 - The President asked if anyone would like to speak on any items on the agenda or any other topic.
None at this time.
- V. Old Business
 - A. Programs (Policy 2000)
 1. Science Textbook Adoption, Inform.
Mrs. Manowitz informed the science textbook adoption is continuing in the next couple of weeks and the materials are available for parent opportunities to review the materials. Please contact Carrie Manowitz or your child's principal if you are interested.
 - B. Property (Policy 7000)
 1. Sand Creek Roofing Project Contract, Approval.
Mr. Marsh requested the approval for the bid submitted from South Central Roofing.
Ms. Whitcomb made a motion to approve the South Central Roofing bid.
Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
- VI. New Business
 - A. Programs (Policy 2000)
 1. Physical Education 3542 Waiver, Inform.
Mrs. Manowitz introduced Mr. Roller and Mrs. Ebbing to talk about the new Physical Education 3542 Waiver. The waiver will offer greater flexibility for credit options which will be supportive of the new diploma requirements.
 2. Field Trips
 - JCHS TOC – Aaron Brooks, JCHS Choir Department, Gatlinburg, TN., 4/11/2025 – 4/14/2025.
This field trip was approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

B. Professional Staff (Policy 3000)

1. Resignations/Retirements

- Daniel Harm, Scipio Elementary SPED Teacher, resignation effective 1/31/2025, Approval.

This resignation was approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

2. Recommendations

- Jason Burton, JCHS Head Football Coach, contract extended through 2026-2027 school year, \$12,789 stipend, Approval.

Mrs. Manowitz requested approval for the extended coaching contract.

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the contract extension. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

C. Support Staff (Policy 4000)

1. Resignations/Retirements

- Janet Bowling, JCHS Para Pro, resignation effective 1/6/2025, Approval.
- Victoria Jamison, SCE SPED Para Pro, resignation effective 12/16/2024, Approval.
- Barb Miller, JCSC Food Service Administrative Assistant, retirement effective 1/16/2025, Approval.
- Gracie Moore, SCE SPED Para Pro, resignation effective 1/6/2025, Approval.

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

2. Transfers

- Pamela Cravens, JCHS/NVE Nurse to BCE Nurse, effective 1/6/2025, Approval.
- Seth Hulse, GCE Para Pro to SCE SPED Para Pro, effective 12/16/2024, Approval.
- Lori Rateliff, JCMS Title Para Pro to JCHS SPED Para Pro, effective 1/6/2025, Approval.
- Carter Leak, JCHS Asst. Track Coach to JCHS Volunteer Track Coach, effective 1/15/2025, Approval.

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

3. Recommendations

- Trey McAdam, JCHS Volunteer Football Coach, effective 1/24/2025, Approval.

Mrs. Manowitz asked approval as per recommendation.

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

D. Finances (Policy 6000)

1. Donations, Approval.

- Mark Huelson Realty, \$75.00 donation to BCE for Donuts-Perfect Attendance, Approval.
- JCHS Donations to Men's Volleyball Club, Approval.
 - Expert Eye care - \$250.00
 - 812 Driving Academy - \$250.00
 - Laymen Hummel Ins - \$100.00
 - Jill Napier - \$100.00
- Ray G. Wagster, \$100.00 donation to JCHS Panther Pantry, Approval.

- TechPoint Foundation for Youth, \$200.00 donation to Scipio Elementary for Registration for Robotics Team, Approval.

Mr. Marsh requested all donations for approval as read.

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve all donations. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

E. Property (Policy 7000)

1. *Attachment: Bus2025-001* - Resolution to Dispose of Surplus Items, Approval.

Mr. Marsh requested approval for resolution to dispose of surplus items.

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Whitcomb seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

F. Operations (Policy 8000)

1. School Bus Routing Software – Transfinder, Approval.

Mr. Marsh requested approval for the School Bus Routing Software called Transfinder.

Ms. Morrison made a motion to approve the software. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

VII. Claims

The claims were presented for approval in the amount of \$1,091,003.29 (claims 104327 – 104533) and payroll in the amount of \$1,267,350.58 (check date 1/15/2025).

These claims were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.

VIII. Other

A. Updates.

Dr. Johnson provided updates on the JCHS cafeteria renovations. Mr. Roller stated that the students were very excited for the renovation.

Dr. Johnson extended appreciation to all the Board Members regarding January's School Board Appreciation month. Thank you for all you do for our community and most of all for our students.

IX. Adjournment

Ms. Morrison made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Adjourned.

Next Regular Meeting: The next Regular Board Meeting will be February 13, 2025 in the Board Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Office, 34 West Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265. The regular meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Amy Pettit - President

Travis Shepherd

Cheryl Miller - Vice President

Earl Taggart

Pat Sullivan - Secretary

Mary Lynn Whitcomb

Chelsea Morrison