

JENNINGS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Central Administration Office Building
Executive Session
Regular Board Meeting
March 10, 2022

Executive Session: The Jennings County School Corporation Board of School Trustees met in executive session on March 10, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Special Education Board 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):

- (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.

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

The executive session adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

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 Walnut Street, North Vernon, IN 47265. The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

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

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3osfxgeDVCU>

Board Members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Earl Taggart, Pat Sullivan, Chelsea Morrison, Tony Daeger, Travis Shepherd and Susan Wahlman. Superintendent Dr. Teresa Brown, Assistant Superintendent Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Shannon Lacoursiere, Philip Marsh, Amanda Sullivan, Todd Ebinger, Roy Herr and Board Executive Secretary Debbie Andis 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 was not to be considered a public community meeting. There was 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 were presented for approval without discussion:

- III. Minutes;
- VB1. Field Trips;
- VC1. Professional Staff: Leaves;

- VC2. Professional Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VC5. Conference Requests;
- VD1. Support Staff: Leaves;
- VD2. Support Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VD4. Conference Requests;
- VI. 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 were shared with the Board:

- VE4. February Fund Report
- VIIA1. Area Plan Commission Meeting Minutes 2/07/2022.
- VIIA2. Essential Service Committee Meeting Minutes 2/15/2022.

Agenda

- I. Pledge
The President opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Dr. Pettit reminded everyone that we are live streaming this school board meeting tonight.

- II. Consent Agenda Items
Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion.
Discussion: Mrs. Lacoursiere stated that the following changes are needed in consent agenda items / support staff: personnel. Jessica Amis' resignation effective 3/10/2022 and remove Abigail McKeand's request for unpaid leave effective 3/11/2022.
7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

- III. Minutes of the Executive Session and the Regular Board Meeting of March 1, 2022.
The minutes were approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

- IV. Community Non-Agenda Items
 - The President asked if anyone would like to speak on an item not on the agenda. There were no comments.

 - Stronger Together Recognition
SRO –
 - Matt Staples – JCHS
 - Shawn Minton – JCMSDr. Brown recognized our local SRO heroes that help us out in all of our buildings in so many ways - Officer Matt Staples and Officer Shawn Minton.

 - JCS Kitchen Managers –
 - Patty Vanosdol – GCE
 - Belinda Stuckwisch – Hayden
 - Ann Walters – NVE
 - Ginger Reitman – SCE

- Doris Flora – Scipio
- Kim Eaton – JCMS
- Donna Bellack – JCHS
- Jan Heilman - JCHS

Dr. Brown recognized the next group of heroes - our JCS Food Service Managers. They have done a tremendous job, the last couple of years, feeding our kids during a pandemic. We are pleased to have you here tonight to recognize you in everything you've done for our kids, staff and our community.

- NVE Presentation
 Nick Hill - Principal, Shelly Stevens – Assistant Principal, Becky Gilley – Behavior Support Specialist.
 Mr. Hill showed a power point highlighting North Vernon Elementary's work and showing how NVE is moving forward.
 Mr. Hill stated that NVE mantra is "COVID is not going to define us". It was NVE's job to continue to provide a solid quality education to our kids no matter what the pandemic threw our way.

V. New Business

A. NEOLA

1. NEOLA Policy 167.3, Public Participation at Board Meetings, First Reading.
2. NEOLA Policy 1220, Employment of the Superintendent, First Reading.
3. NEOLA Policy 1520, Employment of Administrators in Addition to the Superintendent, First Reading.
4. NEOLA Policy 2262, Latch-Key Programs, First Reading.
5. NEOLA Policy 2370.03, Indiana Course Access Program – Delete, First Reading.
6. NEOLA Policy 2603, School Performance Internet Dashboard, First Reading.
7. NEOLA Policy 3120.08, Employment of Personnel for Extracurricular Activities, First Reading.
8. NEOLA Policy 3120.11, Public Hearing Before Commencement of Collective Bargaining and Public Meeting Before Ratification of Tentative Agreement, First Reading.
9. NEOLA Policy 3214, Staff Gifts, First Reading.
10. NEOLA Policy 3220, Staff Evaluation, First Reading.

Dr. Brown stated that these ten policies are a first reading and will be voted on at our next meeting.

B. Programs (Policy 2000)

1. Field Trips
 None at this time.

C. Professional Staff (Policy 3000)

1. Leaves
 - Hannah Cooper, GCE Teacher, extended unpaid maternity leave till 3/28/2022.
 - Julie Delph, JCS Physical Therapist, maternity leave effective 8/11/2022 – 10/17/2022.
 - Julie James, BCE Teacher, unpaid leave effective 3/3/2022.

These leaves were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.
2. Resignations/Retirements

- Tamara Bates, SCE Teacher, retiring effective 12/16/2022.
- Tammy Galloway, HE Teacher, retiring effective end of 2024/2025 school year.
- Jeanie Koelmel, JCMS Principal, retiring effective end of 2021/2022 school year.
- Kathy Marsh, JCMS Teacher, retiring effective 5/27/2022.
- Patti Rusk, JCMS Teacher, retiring effective end of 2021/2022 school year.
- Peggy Sommer, NVE Teacher, retiring effective end of 2021/2022 school year.
- Brian Stidham, JCHS Teacher, retiring effective end of 2021/2022 school year.

These retirements were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.

3. Recommendations

- Lacie Coquerille, JCHS Science Teacher, \$58,500 yr., effective 8/3/2022.

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve the above recommendation. Mr. Daeger seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

4. 2021-2022 High Ability Coordinators \$550 stipend, Approval.

- Amy Jones – HA Coordinator
- Paige Lohrum – Brush Creek
- Theresa Ragsdale – Graham Creek
- Cody Robbins – Hayden
- Rachel Neal – North Vernon
- Abby Capes – Sand Creek
- Emily Ponsler – Scipio
- Charlie Woolf – JCHS
- Tara Kelley – JCMS
- Zabrina Nicholson - JCMS

Mrs. Johnson is asking for approval of the annual HA Coordinator stipend. This comes from our HA grant.

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

5. Conference Requests

- Tim Poer, STN Expo & STAI Conference, Indianapolis, IN, 6/3/2022 – 6/7/2022.

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

D. Support Staff (Policy 4000)

1. Leaves

- Mary Barlow, JCMS Para Pro, unpaid ½ day leave effective 3/18/2022.
- Lauren Clayton, SCE Para Pro, unpaid leave effective 8/16/2021 – 8/26/2021, 1/5/2022 – 1/10/2022, and 1/26/2022 – 2/4/2022.
- Hannah Everhart, NVE Para Pro, unpaid leave effective 3/16/2022.
- Penny Lucas Feeney, BCE Custodian, unpaid leave effective 2/14/2022 – 2/18/2022.
- ~~Abigail McKeand, SCE Para Pro, unpaid leave effective 3/11/2022.~~
- Kayla Nimeskern, HE Para Pro, unpaid leave effective 2/28/2022.
- Kayla Pyle, JCS Bus Aide, unpaid leave effective 2/23/2022 – 3/5/2022.

- Heather Vondielingen, HE Para Pro, unpaid ½ day leave effective 3/2/2022.

The above leaves were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.

2. Resignations/Retirements

- Jessica Amis, BCE Head Cook, resignation effective 3/10/2022.
- Joan Cox, JCHS Cook, retiring effective 7/31/2022.
- Jacklyn Dagher, SE Para Pro, resignation effective 2/11/2022.
- Cheyanne Davidson, JCHS Custodian, resignation effective 3/7/2022.
- Jennifer Ford, SCE 3 hr. Cook, resignation effective 2/28/2022.
- Samantha Garcia, SCE Para Pro, resignation effective 3/4/2022.
- Shelbi Wright, GCE Para Pro, resignation effective 3/12/2022.

The above resignations/retirement were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.

3. Recommendations

- Jan Heilman, JCHS Assistant Head Cook to BCE Head Cook, \$17.22 hr., effective 3/14/2022.
- Sandra Jacobs, JCHS Custodian, \$13.75 hr. x 8 hrs. day, effective 3/7/2022.
- Caleb Jones, NVE SPED Para Pro, \$13.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 2/28/2022.
- Brenda Little, JCHS Cook, \$13.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 3/7/2022.
- Wayne Pyatt, JCS SPED Bus Driver, \$17.00 hr. x 8 hrs. day, effective 3/7/2022.
- Julia Robertson, SCE ESSER Para Pro, \$13.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 3/7/2022.

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

4. Conference Requests

None at this time.

E. Finances (Policy 6000)

1. Donations, Approval

- Joy of Giving, \$7,063.22 to JCHS for Student Convocation.
- Bill Ludwig, \$2,500 to JCHS Track and Field Programs.
- Ray G. Wagster, \$100.00 to JCHS Panther Pantry.
- Rose Acre Farms, 2 cases of eggs to JCHS Culinary Arts Class.
- NVIC, \$250.00 to JCHS Touch of Class Show Choir.
- NVIC, \$250.00 to JCHS Behavior Support Specialist Skill Group.
- NVIC, \$250.00 to Ms. Wagoner's 1st Grade Class at BCE for STEM.
- Amvets Post #7, \$240.00 in Folding Tables to JCEC for Classes at Jennings County Jail.

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve these donations. Mrs. Wahlman seconded the motion.

Discussion: Mr. Taggart thanks Bill Ludwig for all those years spent teaching and coaching at JCHS and is still giving!

7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

A Resolution Authorizing the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer of Jennings County Schools to make payment of claims without board action prior to April 14, 2022, 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

Whereas, The Board of Trustees of Jennings County Schools is not scheduled to have a meeting between March 10, 2022, and April 14, 2022, and,

Whereas, It is necessary to have Board action in order to pay claims and to transfer appropriations with major account classifications, and,

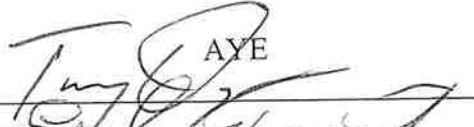


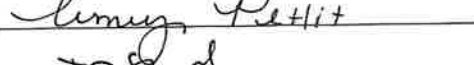

Whereas, It is deemed to be in the public interest to facilitate the payment of amounts which are owed by the school corporation and to ensure that adequate appropriations are available for payment of such claims.


Now therefore be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees of Jennings County Schools hereby authorizes the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer of the Corporation to pay outstanding claims and to transfer appropriated amounts within the 2021/2022 Education, Debt Service, and Operations Funds between March 10, 2022 and April 14, 2022.

Be it further resolved that a claim docket and appropriation transfer report for this period is to be presented to the Board for final action on or before the last regularly scheduled Board meeting in April 2022.

Resolution #: Bus2022-001 Adopted this 10th day of March, 2022.

**JENNINGS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

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ATTEST: 
Secretary

2. Resolution, Approval

- a. *Attachment* - Resolution Authorizing the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer of Jennings County Schools to make payment of claims without board action prior to April 14, 2022 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. Marsh stated that it'll be five weeks before the next board meeting. He is asking for approval of the above resolution.

Mr. Daeger made a motion to approve this resolution with the corrected date. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

3. Copier Update, Inform/Approval

Mr. Marsh gave a brief overview of the older copiers at our schools. Mr. Marsh is asking for approval to purchase eighteen copiers on contract from Jim Gordon.

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

4. February Fund Report

A copy of the report was included in the board packet.

F. Property (Policy 7000)

1. 2022 Roofing and Related Work Bids at Scipio Elementary School, Approval.

Mr. Herr is asking for approval of the bid from South Central Roofing for the base and alternate.

Mr. Daeger made a motion to approve this bid from South Central Roofing. Ms. Morrison seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

G. Relations (Policy 9000)

1. Parent Rights JCSC Policies Crosswalk, Inform

Mrs. Johnson presented a power point showing JCSC Policies Parent Rights Crosswalk document. We will also post this to our website and the principals will be distributing it widely to staff and students.

VI. Claims

The claims were presented for approval in the amount of 1,146,580.45 (claims 8704 – 8862) and payroll in the amount of \$1,149,366.39 (check date 3/15/2022).

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

VII. Other

A. Update

1. Area Plan Commission Meeting Minutes 2/07/2022.

These minutes were included in the board packet.

2. Essential Service Committee Meeting Minutes 2/15/2022.

These minutes were included in the board packet.

3. Other

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m. Mr. Sullivan 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.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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