

JENNINGS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Central Administration Office Building
Executive Session
Public Hearing on 2025 School Budget, 2025 CPF Plan and
2025 Bus Replacement Plan
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
September 19, 2024

Executive Session: The Jennings County School Corporation Board of School Trustees met in executive session on September 19, 2024 at 5:30 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):

- (3) For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans and systems. *IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(3)*.
- (5) To receive information about and interview prospective employees.
IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5).
- (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. *IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9)*.

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

This meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Public Hearing on 2025 School Budget, 2025 Capital Project Finance Plan and 2025 Bus Replacement Plan: A public hearing to receive taxpayer input on the proposed 2025 School Budget, 2025 Capital Project Finance Plan and 2025 Bus Replacement Plan was held in the Board Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Administration Office Building, 34 West Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265. The hearing began at 6:51 p.m.

The following link was available to live stream this Public Hearing from your home:

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

Agenda:

1. Call to order
Dr. Pettit called the meeting to order.
2. Overview of proposed budgets
Mr. Marsh reviewed the 2025 School Budget: Rainy Day at \$500,000, Education at \$36,000,000, Operations at \$16,500,000 and Debt Service at \$4,816,621.
The 2025 Capital Assets was advertised at \$510,000 for potential project purchases and the 2025 Capital Projects at \$2,120,000, 2026 at \$5,487,000 and 2027 at \$8,405,000.
The Bus Replacement Budget for 2025 at \$292,109 per year, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029 at \$377,000 per year.
3. Public input or comment on proposed budgets.
There were no comments.
4. Adjournment
Dr. Pettit adjourned this meeting at 6:53 p.m.
Mr. Shepherd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Sullivan 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 began at 7:00 p.m.

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

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Board members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Cheryl Miller, Pat Sullivan, Earl Taggart, Chelsea Morrison, Travis Shepherd, Mary Lynn Whitcomb. Superintendent Dr. Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Carrie Manowitz, Philip Marsh, Lisa Hearne, 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;
- VIB2. Field Trips;
- VIC1. Professional Staff: Leaves;
- VIC2. Professional Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VIC3. Professional Staff: Transfers;
- VIC7. Conference Requests;
- VID1. Support Staff: Leaves;
- VID2. Support Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VID3. Support Staff: Transfers;
- VID5. Conference Requests;

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:

VIIIA1. Area Planning Commission Minutes, 9/3/2024.

Agenda

- I. Pledge
The President opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 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 September 5, 2024.
These minutes were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.
- IV. Community Non-Agenda Items
 - The President asked if anyone would like to speak on any items on the agenda or any other topic.
There were no comments.
- V. Old Business
 - A. NEOLA
 - NEOLA (*NEW*) Policy 0164, Notice of Meeting, Second Reading.
 - Rescind PO 0164.1, 0164.2, 0164.3, 0164.5 and 0164.6
 - NEOLA (*NEW*) Policy 0165, Board Meetings, Second Reading.
 - Rescind PO 0165.1, 0165.2, 0165.3, 0165.4 and 0165.5

Dr. Johnson asked for approval for the second reading on the two policies as read. Ms. Whitcomb made a motion to approve the two policies as read. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
 - B. Programs (Policy 2000)
 - 2024 Summer School, Inform.
Mrs. Manowitz stated we were able to provide thirty-eight traditional high school summer school students the opportunity to earn 70 credits back and we are decreasing the number of students that need to earn credits back. The 3rd grade students that didn't pass IREAD attended summer school and retested with improved results. The plans for next year's summer school program is to have 2nd and 3rd graders attend summer school to prepare and retake IREAD test for those students that did not pass.
 - C. Finances (Policy 6000)
None at this time.
 - D. Operations (Policy 8000)
None at this time.
 - E. Property (Policy 7000)
 1. JCHS CTE Project, Update.
Mr. Marsh says we are very close to completion and down to small items that are left to finish up.

VI. New Business

A. NEOLA

- NEOLA Policy 5200, Attendance, First Reading.
Dr. Johnson stated that the policy was updated to reflect all of the new legislation changes.

B. Programs (Policy 2000)

1. JAG Program Presentation (Kristal Biehle), Inform.
Dr. Johnson welcomed Krystal Biehle and Kendra Biehle to give us information on the Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) program that is designed to assist students successfully transition from high school to post-secondary training, employment, and/or military services, by eliminating barriers that may prevent or delay success. Kendra Biehle, Specialist with JAG, introduced Jeremiah, Vice President of JAG and Sara, President of JAG. Both students shared their success stories due to JAG.
2. Field Trips
None at this time.

C. Professional Staff (Policy 3000)

1. Leaves
None at this time.
2. Resignations/Retirements
 - Kirsten Webb, NVE Music Teacher, resignation effective 7/31/2024. This resignation was approved without discussion as consent agenda items.
3. Transfers
None at this time.
4. Resolution, Approval.
 - a. *Resolution BUS2024-010* – A resolution to allow the Superintendent of Schools to authorize to pay supplemental base salary payments to teachers specified documents “JCSC - 2024-2025 CERTIFIED SUPPLEMENTAL PAY FOR EDUCATION”, Approval.
Mr. Marsh requested approval of resolution to allow Superintendent of Schools to authorize supplemental pay.
Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Taggart seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
5. Permission to Post Night School Instructor Position, 2024-2025 School Year for JCHS, Approval.
Mrs. Hearne requested to post the Night School Instructor Position.
Ms. Whitcomb made a motion to approve the posting. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
6. Recommendations
None at this time.
7. Conference Requests
 - Tevin Shoultz, IASP Principal’s Conference, Indianapolis, IN, 11/24-11/26/2024.
 - Jennifer Laman, District Instructional Coach, Tara Kelly, Vi Davis, Damian Villa and Sam Low, HECC Conference, Crown Plaza Indianapolis, Union Station, 11/6-11/7/2024.
 - Jamie Kelly, JCHS Indiana School Counselors Conference, Indianapolis, IN, 11/14-11/15/2024.

- Ashley Sedam, JCHS Indiana School Counselors Conference, Indianapolis, IN, 11/14-11/15/2024.

These conferences were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.

D. Support Staff (Policy 4000)

1. Leaves

None at this time.

2. Resignations/Retirements

- Dave George, JCHS Boys Golf Coach, resignation effective 9/10/2024.
- Toni Lynch, JCHS Sped Para Pro, resignation effective 9/4/2024.
- Hunter Otte, SCE Custodian (2nd shift), resignation effective 9/16/2024.
- Cheyenne Polley, JCSC Transportation Administrative Asst., resignation effective 9/20/2024.
- Alexandria Prange, NVE Sped Para Pro, resignation effective 9/18/2024.

These resignations were approved without discussion as consent agenda item.

3. Transfers

- Misty Proctor, Scipio Elementary Custodian (2nd Shift), full-time employee to part-time (Mon., Wed., Fri.), 8 hrs. per day, effective 9/16/2024.

This transfer was approved without discussion as consent agenda item.

4. Recommendations

- Don Coquerille, JCMS 7th Grade Girls Asst. Basketball Coach, \$2,336.00 stipend, effective 9/20/2024.
- Peyton Gerkin, JCHS Asst. Wrestling Coach, \$3,301.00 stipend, effective 9/20/2024.
- Darrell Hicks, JCHS Asst. Wrestling Coach, \$3,301.00 stipend, effective 9/20/2024.
- Alison Johnson, JCSC Van Driver, \$16.75 hr. x 12 hrs. x 2 days per week, effective 9/23/2024.
- Stephanie Ketcham, JCSC Business Office Payroll Officer, \$26.45/hr. x 8 hrs. day x 260 days, effective 9/30/2024.
- Dakota Redmond, JCSC Floating Bus Driver, \$15.50 hr. x 8 hrs. per day, effective 9/20/2024.
- Christina Trejo, JCHS Custodian (2nd Shift), \$13.50 hr. x 8 hrs. per day, effective 9/10/2024.

Mrs. Hearne requested for approval of all recommendations as read.

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve all recommendations as read. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

5. Conference Requests

None at this time.

E. Finances (Policy 6000)

1. Donations, Approval.

- Zach Randall, \$140.00 donation to BCE for Student Attendance Award Party, Approval.

- HOPE Food Program donation, Approval.
 - Ebbing Auto Parts - \$500.00
 - Graham Baptist Church - \$675.00
 - New Bethel Methodist Church - \$225.00
 - NVIC - \$225.00
- JCHS Hurley's Hooligans donation, Approval.
 - Harmon Construction - \$1,000.00
 - Madisyn Harsh - \$500
 - Y-Not Yogurt - \$250.00

Mr. Marsh asked for donations approved as read.

Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve all donations as read. Ms.

Whitcomb seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

2. 2024 General Obligation Bond Proposed Project Detail, Inform.

Dr. Johnson discussed a proposed tax neutral bond for school safety upgrades and long term maintenance need on all of our schools.

3. 2025 JCSC Budget, 3rd Presentation, Inform.

Mr. Marsh noted this item was not needed on the agenda at this time.

4. 2025 JCSC Capital Project Plan – 2nd Presentation, Inform.

Mr. Marsh noted this item was not needed on the agenda at this time.

5. 2025 JCSC Bus Replacement Plan – 2nd Presentation, Inform.

Mr. Marsh noted this item was not needed on the agenda at this time.

F. Property (Policy 7000)

1. 2025 Roof Proposal from Martin Riley for facilities, Inform.

Mr. Marsh informed the board of the fall Martin Riley Architects 2024 Roof Proposal for Sand Creek Elementary.

G. Operations (Policy 8000)

1. INDOE Annual Review of School Bus Routes and School Bus Safety Policies, Inform.

Mr. Marsh informed us that JCSC has completed our Annual Review of School Bus Routes and School Bus Safety to meet required protocols.

2. School Bus Contract Change Bus Route 605 for 2024-2025 school year, Approval.

Mr. Marsh asked for bus route 605 contract change for 2024-2025 school year to bus 602 Sam Combest.

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

H. Relations (Policy 9000)

None at this time.

VII. Claims

The claims were presented for approval in the amount of \$1,550,380.15 (claims 102092 – 102520) and payroll in the amount of \$1,393,429.82 (check date 9/13/2024).

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

VIII. Other

A. Updates.

1. Area Planning Commission Minutes, 9/3/2024.

The above items were included in the board packet.

IX. Adjournment

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Mr. Taggart seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 No. Approved.

Next Regular Meeting: The next Regular Board Meeting will be October 3, 2024 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.

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