

JAMESTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES –Board Meeting September 18, 2023

The Jamestown Area School Board conducted a Board Meeting on September 18, 2023, at 6:00 PM with President Ben McElhaney presiding.

Members Present: Robert Hutchinson, Kelli Mayer, Cinthia McClelland, Ben McElhaney, Jered McElhaney, Bev Riley, Tracie Runyon, and David Volosin

Members Absent: Eric Dell

Others Present: Tracy Reiser, Superintendent; Gary Kinnear, School Psychologist and Director of Special Education; Brian Keyser, High School Principal; Kristin Hope, Elementary Principal; Beth Boylan, Business Manager; Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary

MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve the minutes of the meetings held on August 10, 2023. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

New Business

BOARD

First reading of the following board policies (no action required):

POLICY 006 – Meetings

POLICY 216.1 – Supplemental Discipline Records

POLICY 251 – Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care, and Other Educational Instability

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the Jamestown Are School District Comprehensive Plan for July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Runyon, to approve the Friends of Muskie Music Boosters officers and proposed fundraisers for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the Jamestown All Sports Boosters officers and proposed fundraisers for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion passed by a 7 – 1 voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Runyon, to approve the Jamestown Elementary PTO officers and proposed fundraisers for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Runyon, to approve the volunteer list for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the proposed field trip list for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve an In Lieu of Expulsion Agreement for a student dated September 12, 2023. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

ACADEMIC

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the 2023-2024 Title I School-Wide Plan for Jamestown Elementary as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education – Federal Programs Division. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the following Thiel mentoring student for Fall 2023:

Katie Wagner with Jordan Steiner

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Runyon, to approve a request from Kristy Zarecky to attend the 2023 Jump\$tart National Educator Conference in Chandler, Arizona, from November 4-6, 2023, which was awarded through an application/essay grant process. All expenses will be paid by the grant award apart from a substitute teacher for one (1) day, airfare, and transportation in the amount of approximately \$600.00. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to Debbie Gettel to serve as the elementary Assistant Cross Country coach. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve Thomas Kauffman to serve as the Assistant Boys Varsity Basketball coach. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve Justin Pipp to serve as the Sophomore class advisor. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to Shannon Kearney to serve as the National Honor Society advisor. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve Victoria Godwin as a 3-hour per day Food Service Department employee at a rate of \$12.33/hr. pending clearances. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Runyon, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the hiring of the following Food Service Department substitutes pending clearances:

Micah Calvin Esther Merush Steven Merush

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the following substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year

Mary Thall – Food Service Department
Kathy Colquhoun – Paraprofessional/LPN
Jensen White - Paraprofessional

Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Runyon, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the resignation of Mary Beckstine from her position as LPN/Paraprofessional effective at the close of work on September 22, 2023. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the advertising and hiring of an LPN/Paraprofessional to replace Mary Beckstine. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Runyon, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the following Kelly Services substitutes:

Mary Jane Fenton
Thomas Kauffman
Janet Schildkamp

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

FINANCE

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the financial statements for August 2023. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve payment of bills for August and September 2023. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve the driver and equipment list for the 2023-2024 school year.

An Executive Session was held from 6:25 PM to 7:27 PM, to discuss Personnel.



Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary