

## **Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – September 10, 2012**

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a Regular meeting on September 10, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library Room. Board members present were Melvin Stene, Justin Oswald, Corie Mydland, Dawn Blain, Sharon Songstad and Clinton Kramer. Brad Stephenson was absent. Also present were Jeff Bermes, Superintendent, Jeanne Carroll, District Clerk/Business Manager, and Marilyn Vukonich, High School Principal.

Melvin Stene, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Clinton Kramer made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Melvin Stene asked for public comment. There was none.

### Reports

#### Item #1 Miss Suckow—Art Class Awards and Presentations

Miss Suckow wanted to show a few things her students have been doing. Last year students placed 1<sup>st</sup> in 1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> in dimension in Red Lodge. Three students were in Signature from Big Sky magazine which is a publication of student writing and art. Miss Suckow is starting her Masters. She tries to incorporate their interests and keep it so the kids are involved. The Board visited with her.

#### Item #2 Activity Committee

Mr. Bermes would like to set a time to complete a few interviews for girls middle school basketball and speech and drama. He will let the committee know. He does have people interested.

#### Item #3 Building and Grounds

This will be on next month's agenda instead.

#### Item #4 FFA Trip

The FFA Chapter students were here to visit with the Board about the National FFA Convention. They reviewed their schedule and costs with the Board. They will leave the 20<sup>th</sup> of October. Pam gave her FFA creed presentation. Right now there are 4 boys and 12 girls interested in going. Kyle Hofer reviewed costs with the Board. They will be coming home Saturday. The Board feels comfortable in giving \$200/student. Mr. Massar said International Harvester in Whitehall will provide the bus. Justin Oswald made a motion to give \$200 per student, up to 16 participants. Clinton Kramer seconded the motion. The Board would like everyone who attends to come to the Board meeting for a report. Shaylee Hildebrand will be the only one competing. The motion was unanimously carried. Western States will be the insurance covering the bus. Park City and Bridger will also go on the same bus. There will be two drivers from other schools to drive.

### New Business

#### Item #1 Approval of Personnel Hirings/Resignations

Mr. Bermes recommended that the board that hire Hallie Spoklie-Luoma as the assistant middle school volleyball coach. Sharon Songstad made the motion to hire Hallie Spoklie-Luoma. Corie Mydland seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Mr. Bermes also recommends the hiring of the following positons: Middle School/Upper Elementary aide – Tesa Sironen for 24 hours per week at \$13/hour. Tesa is teaching a portion of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade math class to help some students get on track. Therefore, he set her wage accordingly. Clinton Kramer made

a motion to hire Tesa Sironen as stated above. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

He also recommends the hiring of Dashia Douglas as a Elementary Special Education Aide for a new in district special needs student at \$9.50/hour for 35 hours per week. Dashia is also a certified teacher and will be a one-on-one aide. Corie Mydland made a motion to hire Daisha Douglas as stated above. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Item #2 Approval of Annual Yellowstone Special Services Cooperative

Mr. Bermes explained that if a district wants to change their commitment needs we must notify the Management Board of the Cooperative. He would recommend that the Joliet School continues this agreement. Every year the district is asked if they want to continue to be part of the Yellowstone-West/Carbon their commitment to the Special Education Cooperative. Corie Mydland made a motion to approve the annual commitment to the Cooperative. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Item #3 Approval of Bus Route Updates and Approval

Mr. Bermes recommends extending Dee Dee’s Route by 5 miles/trip. This is due to a request from parents along Cole Creek Road towards Allen Eik’s. The bus will now travel down to Tracy Tobel’s where it will turn around. On the way down we will pick up the Hicks girls, turn around, pick up Jeffrey kids and Anderson at corner of Eik’s lane, up to Cole Creek turn around for Johnson and back down Cole Creek. Melvin Stene and Mr. Bermes went out and received permission from Tobel to turn around at his lane. The road and turnaround are satisfactory to accommodate this need. Mr. Bermes will send an official request to Jerry Scott to extend Dee Dee’s route by 5 miles a trip.

Item #4 2012 Audit Results

Mrs. Carroll gave each Board member a copy of the Draft findings and reviewed them with the Board. Overall, it was a good audit with minor findings.

Superintendent/Principal/Athletic Director/Business Manager Reports

Mr. Bermes gave Enrollment Updates:

High School **132** 12<sup>th</sup> - 33; 11<sup>th</sup> - 29; 10<sup>th</sup> - 34; 9<sup>th</sup> - 36;  
 Middle School **70** 8<sup>th</sup> - 39; 7<sup>th</sup> - 31  
 Elementary **176** 6<sup>th</sup> - 27; 5<sup>th</sup> - 28; 4<sup>th</sup> - 22; 3<sup>rd</sup> - 31; 2<sup>nd</sup> - 25; 1<sup>st</sup> - 25; K - 18  
**Total 378**

2012 Enrollments on Spring Count day

High School 128  
 Middle School 75  
 Elementary 163  
**Total 366**

<b>Project Enrollments for</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014 -2015</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>
High School	138	140	133
Middle School	58	55	50
Elementary	170	160	156
<b>Total</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>339</b>

Mr. Bermes also talked about the lightning storms during the football camps and shutting the air handlers down. There was apparently a power surge during that time and three of the air compressors in the new gym area burnt out. The 4<sup>th</sup> was overloaded and so all four are out. York Company doesn’t

cover them now. When ATS came out, they wouldn't work. Mr. Bermes said he checked with the insurance company and the building insurance should cover them. Each is about \$4,000 apiece to replace. He said if the building insurance doesn't cover them then he may go back on a property insurance claim. These could be between \$12,000 to \$15,000 to replace. He is waiting for the insurance adjuster. Clinton Kramer asked about a surge protectors. Mr. Bermes said we had them, but it took out the fuses as well.

Also, he has contacted Joe Brott for working on our policies.

He has also put a common core strategic plan together to give a direction. He read it aloud to the Board. He has five outcomes with each underneath a bullet.

Also, the new vents are in in the Concessions stand. There is no disposal yet in place for the sink. The Booster Club would like to do senior pictures where banners are in the gym for each season.

He said there were great conversations today on common cores with teachers on the PIR day today here at school.

Mr. Bermes is also quite disappointed in how the gym floor turned out. The next time it can be re-done is Christmas break. Bob Hofman will donate his labor and we will buy the products for him to re-do the gym.

Mrs. Vukonich handed out her list of activities for the upcoming month and reviewed it briefly with the Board.

Items for the Next Agenda – October 9, 2012 at 7 PM

Item #1 Extra-curricular Hires

Item #2 Visit with Cooks

Item #3

The next meeting is October 9, 2011 at 7 p.m. in the Library.

Corie Mydland made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8 : 20 p.m. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. It was unanimously carried.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

