

## **Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – April 8, 2019**

The Board of Trustees of Joliet School District No. 7 held a regular meeting on April 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library. Board Members present were Melvin Stene, Justin Oswald, Sharon Songstad, Dawn Blain, Kathy Grewell, and Dave Schaible. Also present were Allison Evertz, Superintendent, Clark Begger, K-8 Principal and Felicia Smith, District Clerk/Business Manager. Visitors in attendance were Sam Anttila, Brice Turk, Rachel Herrington, Mandi Hernandez, Carol Sherman, Dixie Keber, Ella Thompson, Lucas Easthouse, Jack O'Connor, Brandy Feller, Riley Killion, Carri White, Jennifer Simons, Robert Simons, Riley Simons, Taelyn Simons, Mallory Simons, Morris Richards, Daniel Daly, Nikki Easthouse.

Melvin Stene called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Stene welcomed guests, explained procedure and asked for public comment.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **IV. Reports**

- a. Student Council Report: Daniel Daly reported on the success of the Fun Day. The Council is preparing for the 2019-20 election of the new Board. Mr. Daly indicated that the students had concerns regarding the math schedule and teachers for the 2019-20 school year. Letters from student were presented to the Board, Mr. Stene asked Mr. Daly to procure signatures on the letters before giving them to the Board.
- b. Athletic Director Report – Sam Anttila reported that softball is going well. High School track has 31 students participating with two meets completed thus far. Joliet hosted one of those meet with 20 schools in attendance. Middle School track has 35 students participating, they have had one meet with several athletes placing. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Track has 15 students participating and they will have two meets. The Spring Banquet will take place May 16, 2019. Coaches and the ADs are trying to find ways to work around the gym floor refinishing project this summer. Teams to get new uniforms for the upcoming 2019-20 year include: Cross County, Volleyball and Track. Cross Country and Track are attempting to share uniforms to save money for the District.
- c. Senior Presentation by Mallory Simons – Ms. Simons has an out-of-state conflict with the annual senior presentations for English. Therefore, Ms. Simons presented to the Board.
- d. Distinguished School Award Presentation by OPI – Jack O'Connor from OPI presented the Distinguished School Award to Joliet Schools for improved graduation rates and serving special populations. This award comes with a \$12,000 increase to the Title I grant for Joliet.

V. **Correspondence** – Supt. Evertz reviewed the correspondence provided to the Board.

### **VI. Unfinished Business**

- a. Retirement Incentive Package – Due to IRS guidelines set for notification 90 days prior to retirement, a retirement incentive package will not be offered this year. The package need to be offered prior to February in subsequent years in order to comply with the 90 day requirement.

### **VII. New Business**

a. Student Work Study Proposal – Supt. Evertz discussed a work study proposal for a senior student and provided details of the proposal to the Board. Mrs. Easthouse provided a packet of information to the Board.

b. Scholarship Fund Donation – Mr. Turk asked the Board to make a donation to the scholarship fund. In past years, the District has given the scholarship fund \$1,000 from each District.

Justin Oswald made a motion to donate \$1,000 from the Elementary and \$1,000 from the High School Districts to the scholarship fund. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

c. Memorandum of Understanding with Joliet Little League – The MOU between the Board and the Joliet Little League must be signed each year. It outlines responsibilities of each party regarding improvements, maintenance, and insurance.

Dawn Blain made a motion to re-enter the MOU with the Joliet Little League. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

f. Pre-School HB225 – Supt. Evertz reviewed with the Board the current legislation to fund pre-school. At present, the bill does not appear to have enough support to pass this legislative session. Pre-school is not fiscally possible for Joliet without charging tuition.

g. Accreditations Report from OPI – Supt. Evertz informed the Board that Joliet was ranked the highest it can be for a third year in a row with a status of “Regular”.

h. Summer School – Supt. Evertz discussed the need for summer school and the resources necessary to hold summer school. There is a tentative session planned for June 10 through June 28, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Teachers would be given 4 hours a day plus an extra 8 hours to prepare for the session. The total session will be 15 days which totals 68 hours at \$25/hour, creating a stipend of \$1,700. It may be necessary to hire two teachers based on the number of students recommended for summer school. There will be one teacher unless numbers are over 10 (+/- 2).

Justin Oswald made a motion to open one summer school position for 2019, with the option of a second position if numbers necessitate two teachers. Kathy Grewell seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

i. Certified Ballot Review – Mrs. Smith provided the Board with the certified ballot language for the upcoming building reserve levy election. Ballots will be mailed out April 17<sup>th</sup> to voters.

j. Election by Acclamation – The number of candidates running for school board was equal to the number of positions open, therefore Melvin Stene and Sharon Songstad were elected by acclamation. A notice will be published in the Carbon County News and the trustees will be sworn in at the Board’s organizational meeting in May.

k. Contract with Rock Creek Associates – The District utilizes the services of Amanda Lewis, who is an independent, licensed social worker. Each year the District must renew the contract for those vital services provided to students.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to re-enter the contract with Rock Creek Associates' social worker, Amanda Lewis for the 2019-20 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

## VIII. Personnel

a. Resignation of Sean McAndrews – Supt. Evertz recommended the Board accept the resignation of Sean McAndrews.

Dawn Blain made a motion to accept the resignation of Sean McAndrews. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Jodi Milton for the 2019-20 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to hire Jodi Milton for the 2019-20 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the hiring of John Counter for the 2019-20 school year.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to hire John Counter for the 2019-20 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

### Non-Tenure Teacher Renewals

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the renewal of a teaching contract for Cynde Cole for the 2019-20 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to offer a teaching contract to Cynde Cole for the 2019-20 school year. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the renewal of a teaching contract for Katy Purcell for the 2019-20 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to offer a teaching contract to Katy Purcell for the 2019-20 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the renewal of a teaching contract for Shay Lind for the 2019-20 school year.

Sharon Songstad made a motion to offer a teaching contract to Shay Lind for the 2019-20 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the renewal of a teaching contract for Paige Smith for the 2019-20 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to offer a teaching contract to Paige Smith for the 2019-20 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the renewal of a teaching contract for Jenny Stone for the 2019-20 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to offer a teaching contract to Jenny Stone for the 2019-20 school year. Sharon Songstad seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the renewal of a teaching contract for Crystal Wright for the 2019-20 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to offer a teaching contract to Crystal Wright for the 2019-20 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the offer of a tenure contract to Ben Herrington for the 2019-20 school year.

Dave Schaible made a motion to offer a tenure contract to Ben Herrington for the 2019-20 school year. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the offer of a tenure contract to Rachel Herrington for the 2019-20 school year.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to offer a tenure contract to Rachel Herrington for the 2019-20 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the offer of a tenure contract to Stacie Nardinger for the 2019-20 school year.

Dawn Blain made a motion to offer a tenure contract to Stacie Nardinger for the 2019-20 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board approve the renewal of a teaching contract for the following tenure teachers for the 2019-20 school year: Alane O'Dore, Brice Turk, Carol Sherman, Carri White, Chad Massar, Colette Webber, George Warburton, Gloria Hardy, Hallie Rowison, Karen McKay, Kayleen Torbert, Kevin Kriskovich, Lucy Jensen, Mandi Hernandez, Marcie Peters, Mary Koon, Patty Bergum-Nafts, Roberta O'Connor and Samantha Anttila.

Kathy Grewell made a motion to offer a contract for the 2019-20 school year to the following tenure teachers: Alane O'Dore, Brice Turk, Carol Sherman, Carri White, Chad Massar, Colette Webber, George Warburton, Gloria Hardy, Hallie Rowison, Karen McKay, Kayleen Torbert, Kevin Kriskovich, Lucy Jensen, Mandi Hernandez, Marcie Peters, Mary Koon, Patty Bergum-Nafts, Roberta O'Connor and

Samantha Anttila. Dawn Blain seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Supt. Evertz recommended that the Board hire Katy Purcell as an assistant high school track coach for the 2019-20 school year.

Justin Oswald made a motion to hire Katy Purcell as an assistant high school track coach for the 2019-20 school year. Dave Schaible seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

**IX. Superintendent/Principal/Business Manager Reports**

Superintendent – Ms. Evertz advised the Board on: GRIT week; kindergarten roundup; WCTM competition; PIR instruction; biomechanics day; senior presentations; MBI implementation; MUST insurance; adult education; science fair/STEM week; and driver’s education.

Principal – Mr. Begger presented the Board with updates on each of the grades K-8, along with information regarding the Gifted & Talented program, standards based grading, 6<sup>th</sup> grade change to bell schedule and an intervention assistance team.

Business Manager – Ms. Smith provided the Board with reports of all claims paid, payroll disbursements, and a financial statement.

**X. Items for Next Agenda**

Administrative Contract  
School Board Evaluation  
Classified and Extra-Curricular Contracts  
Finalization of Gym Floor Graphics  
Carpet in the Library  
Hire High School Science Teacher  
Science Fair Week Presentation

**XI. Next Board Meeting Date**

The next regular Board meeting will be held May 13, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joliet School Library.


**XII. Executive Session** - Melvin Stene determined that the discussion relates to a matter of individual privacy that clearly exceeds the merits of public disclosure and closed the public meeting and went into Executive Session.

Executive Session began at 8:35 p.m. The trustees returned to regular session at 9:11 p.m.

**XIII. Adjournment**

Dave Schaible made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 p.m. Justin Oswald seconded the motion. There was no discussion and no public comment. The motion was unanimously carried.

Approved 05/13/2019

Clerk 

Chairman 