

JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL
Regular Meeting
Official Minutes

School board meeting on Monday, February 20, 2023 at 5:15 pm in the Thompson Community room at the Middle School, 203 2nd Ave SE, Jamestown, ND.

Present: Mrs. Larson, President, Mr. Tweten, Vice President, Melissa Gleason, Diane Hanson, Gayle Nelson, Jason Rohr, Aaron Roberts, Steve Veldkamp, Robert Lech, Superintendent and Kristi Grounds, Business Manager.

Guests: Tara Geerdes, Braelon Geerdes and Will Nelson

President Larson called the meeting to order and welcomed the audience, Jason Linz, Bluejay Channel and Amy Neustel, Administrative Assistant.

Braelon Geerdes spoke to the board members on discrimination and racism. She wanted them to know how it has changed how she felt about herself. She would like to participate in culture change for the future.

Mr. Aaron Roberts declared a conflict of interest, wife is a teacher, with executive negotiation discussion and all future negotiations activities.

Mrs. Gayle Nelson declared a conflict of interest, daughter is a teacher, with executive negotiation discussion and all future negotiations activities.

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Tweten to approve the consent agenda which consists of February 6, 2023 regular board meeting minutes, payment of bills, pledge securities, open enrollments out for 2022-2023 school year: 5th grader to Pingree Buchanan, Kindergarten to Pingree Buchanan, 8th grader to Medina and 11th grader to Medina, open enrollments for 2023-2024 school year: 5th grader, 2-1st graders to Kensal, a Kindergarten, 9th grader, 3rd grader and 6th grader to Pingree Buchanan, 2-9th grader, 8th grader, 2nd grader, 12th grader, and 4th grader to Medina, 3-7th grader, 8th grader, 2-Kindergarten, 11th grader, 1st grader, 2nd grader to Pingree Buchanan; 8th and 12th grade Pingree Buchanan students, a 1st grade Edgeley student, 3rd and 6th grade Montpelier students and 2-12 grade Barnes County North students to attend Jamestown School for the 2023-2024 school year and a tuition agreement for a 12th grade student to attend Beach School for 2022-2023 school year. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

The Board recognized Mrs. Sherry Schmidt, who received North Dakota Region 6 Principal of the Year. Congratulations Mrs. Schmidt.

Will Nelson, Student Council President, reported the council assisted with 8th grade orientation. The council had been busy with snow-week activities. A change for next year is to combine the pep rally with the coronation ceremony. The dance was held at Hidden Acres which is a new facility and students seemed to enjoy the change in venue.

Superintendent Lech reported on process with open enrollments applications and tuition agreements for students from other districts.

Superintendent Lech reported on communication he provided on the January 31st basketball incident. Superintendent has a press release on February 2, 2023, updated the school board at the February 6th school board meeting. He emailed parents on February 14th with an update. Superintendent Lech is still investigating with an anticipated 50-60 interviews and statements between the different stages of the investigation. The investigation will look at

statement or action is more likely true or not true that the alleged policy violation or inappropriate conduct occurred based on the evidence. FERPA limits what can be shared about students. Superintendent Lech reported the district will begin steps on reviewing policies, updating code of sportsmanship and violations, engaging with BHS with restorative practices. There is a plan to have an offsite student leaders summit on culture change, and a regional task force of districts who want to look over athletics and culture competence.

Superintendent Lech reported the Roosevelt Principal position is still open. An interview team has been selected and is working on staff feedback on the qualities for future applicants.

Superintendent Lech reported he recently attended the National Conference on Education for American Association of School Administrators. He attended many sessions on communication strategies that build community trust and navigate through tough issues. Superintendent Lech reported in the 10 years at JPS, his expenses for conferences has been paid through ND Association of School Administrators due to his membership on the governing board.

Superintendent Lech reported that the business manager certification program requires the board approves to enroll Kristi Grounds in the program.

Superintendent Lech reported on the board vacancy timeline. Applications will be available on the website or in person starting February 21st with a deadline of March 3, 2023. During the March 6th regular school board meeting, selection of finalist will be made if more than 3 applications. March 8, 2023 will be a special meeting to vote to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Veldkamp moved, seconded by Mrs. Gleason to approve Kristi Grounds to apply for the Business Manager Certification Program. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved, seconded by Mrs. Nelson to approve request for proposal for District Transportation. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Veldkamp moved, seconded by Mrs. Nelson to approve to submit the Family Engagement Grant. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Grounds provided the general fund balance sheet for board members to review.

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Tweten approved the monthly financial reports. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the petition for recognition of representative organization of administrators negotiation unit. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Veldkmap moved, seconded by Mrs. Hanson to approve the petition for recognition of representative organization of teachers negotiation unit. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Tweten moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the resignation of John Conway on February 20, 2023. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the resignation of Michelle Zuther, Assistant Business Manager on March 15, 2023. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gleason moved, seconded by Mr. Veldkamp to approve the hire of Anni Stier as Kindergarten Teacher, salary of \$45,207.77* at Louis L' Amour Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year upon a successful background check and receipt of licensure. *Salary to be

adjusted upon completion of negotiations. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nelson moved, seconded by Mrs. Gleason to approve the hire of Molly Fritz as 2nd Grade Teacher, salary \$45,207.77* at Lincoln Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year upon a successful background check. *Salary to be adjusted upon completion of negotiations. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Superintendent evaluation timeline for board to review.

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Tweten to approve the amended DIB policy, Review of Material in Teacher Personnel Files policy. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Tweten to approve the amended DI policy, Personnel Records and the first reading of DI-BR Personnel Records Review Procedure. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote.

Mr. Tweten moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to allow Mr. Roberts and Mrs. Nelson who declared conflict of interest to negotiations executive session to participate in the discussion on February 20, 2023. Roll call vote: Rohr, yes; Nelson, yes; Tweten, yes; Roberts, yes; Veldkamp, yes; Gleason, yes; Hanson, yes; Larson, yes. Motion passed 8-0.

I, Mr. Dan Tweten believe that discussion with our negotiators and developing a strategy relative to the School Board’s position in this matter in open session would have an adverse fiscal effect on the negotiations position of the Board. Therefore, I move: That the Board enter into executive session, That the following members and negotiators be identified as being present:

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: MELISSA GLEASON, DIANE HANSON, HEIDI LARSON, GAYLE NELSON, AARON ROBERTS, JASON ROHR, STEVE VELDKAMP, DAN TWETEN, SUPERINTENDENT ROBERT LECH, AND BUSINESS MANAGER KRISTI GROUNDS. On February 20, 2023 at 6:17 pm that only the following topic will be considered in executive session: NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES

That the legal authority for the executive session is: SECTION 44-04-19.1 OF THE NORTH DAKOTA CENTURY CODE. That the executive session be recorded. Seconded by Mr. Rohr. Motion carried.

Open meeting resumed at 7:20 pm.

There being no further business, President Larson adjourned the meeting

GENERAL FUND

ABDO-SPOTLIGHT-MAGIC WAGON	86.80	KYNER, ABIGAIL	35.04
ACHIEVE3000 INC	4,960.00	LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS	611.83
ADAPTIVE TECH SOLUTIONS, LLC	297.49	LEAF	2,745.00
ALLARD TROPHY CO	29.50	LECH, ROBERT	30.00
AMAZON.COM	3,194.84	LINDBERG BROTHERS	275.00
ANDERSON, LUKE	30.00	LLOYDS MOTORS-LLOYDS TOYOTA	218.03
ANNE CARLSEN CENTER	51,502.67	LYNN CARD COMPANY	922.50
ARMITAGE, MICHAEL	54.04	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC	288.46
AT & T MOBILITY	389.07	MARENEM INC	114.33
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION BUREAU	214.00	MENARDS OF JAMESTOWN	107.57
BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL DIST #3	13,094.40	MICHAELSON, NATHAN	30.00
BUFFALO GRILL, LLC	283.80	MINNESOTA VALLEY TESTING LABS	118.37
CANVA	119.40	MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	16,795.41
CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY	3,038.13	MUSIC IN MOTION INC	260.70
CASHWISE	389.03	NAPA AUTO PARTS OF JAMESTOWN INC	209.99
CDSPARTS.COM	(85.00)	ND ATTORNEY GENERAL	103.00
CDW GOVERNMENT	7,660.00	ND CENTER FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION	1,908.00
CENTRAL VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT	4,300.00	ND COUNCIL EDUC LEADERS	250.00
CITY OF JAMESTOWN	4,638.67	ND SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION	1,330.00
		NDDTSEA	125.00

COLE PAPERS INC	9,587.06	NEWMAN SIGNS INC	638.13
CONNECT TELETHERAPY LLC	18,298.33	NITSCHKE, COURTNEY	29.88
CONNELL, JUSTIN	30.00	NORTHWEST TIRE INC	1,092.92
CONWAY, JOHN	30.00	OFFICE DEPOT INC	129.01
COUNTRY GARDENS	208.00	ORIENTAL TRADING CO INC	239.78
DACOTA PAPER CO	521.60	OSLUND, ANDREW	56.99
DAKOTA BOYS AND GIRLS RANCH	9,540.00	OTTERTAIL POWER CO	37,529.47
DAKOTA CENTRAL	2,710.31	PERIPOLE INC	108.50
DAKOTA DUST TEX INC	880.70	PETTY, QUENTIN	56.86
DECKER EQUIPMENT/SCHOOL FIX	1,632.09	PIONEER VALLEY BOOKS	66.00
DELZER, EDDY	30.00	PITNEY BOWES	1,000.00
DIETRICH BUS SERVICE	74,575.49	POPPLERS MUSIC INC	173.80
DUNN, STEVE	13,200.00	QUIZNOS SUB	441.18
ECKROTH MUSIC COMPANY	399.68	RAINBOW GAS COMPANY	13,068.05
ENGLES, TONYA	75.00	RAMKOTA HOTEL BISMARCK	572.40
EQUITABLE FINANCIAL LIFE	166.77	REALLY GOOD STUFF LLC	134.55
FARGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS	81.00	RECORD KEEPERS LLC	52.88
FARMERS UNION COOP OIL CO	1,079.45	RECYCLING CENTER OF ND LLC	569.00
FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS LLC	6,561.50	REHABMART, LLC	877.72
GALLUP ORGANIZATION	159.90	RINGERUD PIANO SERVICE	648.00
GEHLHAR, ADAM	30.00	SAHR, MIAH	5.74
GRATEFUL PLATE LLC, THE	148.50	SCHERBENSKE INC	6,895.00
GROUNDS, KRISTI	238.00	SCHMIDT, SHERRY	30.00
HAWKINS INC	3,315.21	SCHOLASTIC READING CLUB	225.00
HEGGERTY PHONEMIC AWARENESS	1,907.56	SECRETARY OF STATE	10.00
HEGLAND, JOSEPH	30.00	SMITH, PATRICIA	30.00
HEMMER, TANYA	577.71	SOLUTIONS BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE	2,080.00
HIGH PLAINS WATER TREATMENT	26.00	STILWELL, MARK	30.00
HIGH POINT NETWORKS LLC	55.00	STINAR, SHANNAN	40.00
HIRSCHKORN, LEVI	41.27	SUMMIT COMPANIES	210.75
HOME OF ECONOMY INC	328.00	SUPERBLOOM FLORAL	45.00
HOUSE OF GLASS INC	93.44	TDS METROCOM	139.10
HUGO'S #9	420.55	TEACHER DIRECT	45.92
HW WILSON PRODUCT LINE	159.20	TEACHERSPAYTEACHERS.COM	14.03
IDK BAR & GRILL	88.94	TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CO	1,954.00
IMAGINE LEARNING LLC	13,350.00	TERRY'S FLORIST	0.00
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	735.00	TESSMAN COMPANY, THE	756.67
INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS LLC	560.51	TOTTINGHAM, MONA	5,624.00
INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	259.90	TRAVEL GUARD GROUP INC	41.91
JAMES RIVER SPECIAL EDUCATION	92,440.74	TWO RIVERS PRINTING	224.80
JAMES VALLEY MULTI DIST	194,139.85	ULINE INC	346.06
JAMESTOWN COMMUNICATIONS INC	100.00	UNITED AIRLINES	644.70
JAMESTOWN PLUMBING HEATING AC	1,547.26	UNIVERSITY OF JAMESTOWN -	15,135.00
JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL PC	197.67	VENTRIS LEARNING LLC	541.50
JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL	1,250.00	VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICE CENTER	5,417.00
JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL	296.09	WALMART COMMUNITY	2,108.72
JAMESTOWN SUN	1,155.27	WARD, KASSANDRA	33.01
JOHNSON CONTROLS INC	2,779.48	WEGNER, JEROME	30.00
JONES SCHOOL SUPPLY CO INC	1,338.75	WEX HEALTH INC	167.40
JONNY B'S BRICKHOUSE	174.00	WRIGHT EXPRESS FLEET SERVICES	401.31
JUNG, JENNIFER	30.00	ZOOM.US	0.82
KRUEGER, LISA	49.78	Fund Total:	679,018.19
BUILDING FUND		JLG ARCHITECTS	743.40
CONSOLIDATED CONSTRUCTION CO INC	128,206.43	STUTSMAN COUNTY TREASURERS	215,291.37
ELITE HEATING AND AIR	24,261.22	Fund Total:	368,502.42
STUDENT ACTIVITY		JULIAN, LAURIE	239.00
3X GEAR LLC	1,020.00	JW PEPPER & SON INC	184.39
701 APPAREL LLC	1,334.50	KELLER, LUCAS	105.00
ALLARD TROPHY CO	39.00	KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION	650.00
ANDERSON, ROBERT	105.00	KLEVER, ALEX	681.30
ANDERSONS	2,155.83	KNOLL, ROSS	221.50
BAEHR, JENSEN	166.00	LEBAHN, CAMDEN	99.50
BECKER, NICHOLAS	227.00	LUNA, SHAYDEN	595.80
BISMARCK PUBLIC SCHOOL DIST 1	160.00	MAGNUSSON, WILLIAM	375.40
BOEHM, SHASTITY	33.41	MEYER, MARY	352.20

BUFFALO WILD WINGS - NORTH FARGO	271.37	MINOT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #1	100.00
BULK BOOKSTORE	2,353.20	MOSER, BRETT	342.00
CLARK, ANDREW	265.50	ND ASSN OF DANCE AND DRILL	29.99
COLLIER JR, JERMAINE	70.00	ND HIGH SCHOOL COACH ASSN	60.00
CREEKSIDE LLC	391.00	NDHSAA	25.00
CROOKSTON INN	1,387.40	NDSAA	1,275.00
CURRAN, TIMOTHY	248.50	NEIS SERVICES INC	14,837.70
CUSTOMBUTTONSNOW.COM	214.49	NEWMAN SIGNS INC	571.60
DAKOTA CENTRAL	59.95	NOLD, BRADLEY	270.00
DAKTRONICS INC	101.00	O'NEILL, SHAWN	198.00
DEAVER, BRIAN	205.40	OLIVE GARDEN RESTAURANTS	446.26
DECKER EQUIPMENT/SCHOOL FIX	207.16	OLSON, PAUL	115.00
DIETRICH BUS SERVICE	259.19	ORIENTAL TRADING CO INC	297.19
DOMINO'S PIZZA	357.00	ORRIGINALS	1,440.00
DOMINOS PIZZA-MANDAN	135.74	PETERSON, ERIK	90.45
DRAMATIC PUBLISHING COMPANY	298.70	POPPLERS MUSIC INC	760.43
ECKART, CHRIS	495.00	QUICHOCHO II, BOYA	445.50
ECKROTH MUSIC COMPANY	793.33	RAAP, CATLYN	288.46
EDWARDSON, REED	268.50	ROALDSON, JAMES	288.00
ELITE SPORTSWEAR LP	(131.22)	RUFF, JOHN	256.50
FARGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS	320.00	SAM'S CLUB	65.94
FASTNACHT, JOSHUA	49.50	SCHIELE, JEREMEY	198.00
FISHER, LORA	239.00	SIGN PRO OF FARGO	195.00
GEE, CYNTHIA	279.00	SPARX HOCKEY .COM	264.95
GERRELLS SPORTS CENTER INC	1,461.99	ST MARY'S CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL	273.00
GILLEN, ROBERT	250.00	STAYBRIDGE SUITES	2,176.90
GRATEFUL PLATE LLC, THE	560.00	SUPER 8 WILLISTON	1,122.48
HAGLUND, BRET	138.50	TDS METROCOM	4.59
HARTY, THOMAS	319.50	THIELGES, BRETT	171.00
HECKAMAN, DANIEL	212.35	THORSGARD, AVERY	279.90
HEMMER, KATHERINE	156.50	TRAINING ROOM INC	330.36
HIDDEN RIVER ACRES	750.00	TWO RIVERS PRINTING	231.00
HIGHLAND SUITES	432.00	TYR SPORT, INC	599.17
HOFMANN, TARA	143.45	UNISON BANK	4,100.00
HOOLIGAN'S BAR & GRILL	335.76	WALMART COMMUNITY	638.10
HOTEL REVEL	660.00	WEBSTAUANT STORE INC	434.38
HUGO'S #9	158.64	WENINGER, SARAH	205.35
INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS LLC	120.00	WILSON, MELINDA	154.00
JAMESTOWN CIVIC CENTER	146.25	WOODLEY, RACHEL	82.50
JAMESTOWN PARKS & RECREATION	70.00	WRIGHT EXPRESS FLEET SERVICES	366.01
JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL	637.83	ZABINSKI, BLAKE	393.00
JAROSH, ALEXANDER	70.00	ZERR, TREV	391.50
JD'S BBQ	580.00	Fund Total:	59,900.52
HEALTH INSURANCE			
HAYS COMPANIES	3,024.00	Fund Total:	3,024.00
JAMESTOWN DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS			
DOLLYWOOD FOUNDATION, THE	1,306.18	Fund Total:	1,306.18
SCHOOL LUNCH			
ARAMARK	2,011.44	GRIM, BRIAN	80.00
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION BUREAU	20.00	HASKELL, JACKIE	7.21
BERNATELLO'S FOODS	279.00	HUGO'S #9	29.98
CITY OF JAMESTOWN	2,140.60	JAMESTOWN PLUMBING HEATING AC	822.38
COCA COLA BOTTLING COMPANY HIGH	666.00	JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL	89.95
CULINEX	330.00	ND DEPT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION	1,803.96
DACOTAH PAPER CO	3,647.43	STEINS INC	1,347.04
DAKOTA CENTRAL	274.20	SYSCO NORTH DAKOTA INC	52,398.61
EARTHGRAINS BAKING COMPANY	3,062.62	TAXIS, BREANNA	131.20
EAST SIDE JERSEY DAIRY INC	10,487.51	TDS METROCOM	4.58
GENERAL PARTS LLC	964.10	WALL, CINDY	52.86
JAMES VALLEY CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER		Fund Total:	80,650.67
ACME TOOLS	1,299.00	LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC	525.55
ACT INC	162.50	MENARDS OF JAMESTOWN	2,936.68
AMAZON.COM	1,140.53	MONTANA DAKOTA UTILITIES	3,703.05
BUSCH, TERRI	534.00	NAPA AUTO PARTS OF JAMESTOWN	192.05
		INC	
CABLE SERVICES INC	108.74	NAUMANN, SHEILA	24.28

CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	315.00	ND DECA	200.00
CHRISTENSEN, HANNAH	165.00	ND FFA ASSOCIATION	52.00
CITY OF JAMESTOWN	633.24	O.K. AUTO PARTS & EQUIPMENT, INC	205.43
CITY OF JAMESTOWN	71.50	OREILLY AUTO PARTS	354.40
COLE PAPERS INC	228.01	OTTERTAIL POWER CO	3,594.75
DACOTAH PAPER CO	194.77	RECYCLING CENTER OF ND LLC	37.00
DAKOTA CENTRAL	217.63	SAFTEY KLEEN SYSTEMS INC	378.81
DAKOTA DUST TEX INC	78.25	SAIKORON LLC	1,925.00
DIETRICH BUS SERVICE	1,020.00	SKILLS USA INC	546.00
EDUEVERYTHING, INC	1,270.82	STAMPS.COM	17.99
HEADMASTER LLP	1,870.00	STUTSMAN COUNTY GLASS LLC	20.00
HEINERT, DARBY	30.00	TDS METROCOM	1.13
HIGH POINT NETWORKS LLC	593.00	TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY	279.99
HUNTER PINKE LLC	1,500.00	VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY	60.00
IRON MOUNTAIN	135.28	WAAGEN, JERRY	33.27
JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL	14,869.86	WALMART COMMUNITY	259.87
JETSTREAM CAR WASH INC	110.63	WEST END HIDE FUR & METAL CO INC	20.00
KLINE, DAVID	142.50	Fund Total:	42,057.51