

JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD
Regular Meeting
Unofficial Minutes

School Board meeting on Monday, February 15, 2021 at 5:15 pm in the Thompson Community room at the Middle School.

Present: Roger Haut, President, Heidi Larson, Vice President, Gayle Nelson, Aaron Roberts, Jason Rohr, Robert Toso, Superintendent, Robert Lech and Business Manager, Sally Ost. Melissa Gleason attended by phone. Greg Allen and Diane Hanson were absent.

Guests: Chuck Thompson and Caroline Thompson

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

Mr. Toso moved, seconded by Mrs. Nelson to approve the consent agenda, which consisted of February 1, 2021 regular board meeting minutes, payment of bills, pledged securities and Title I parent advisory committee membership. Roll call with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Negotiations Seminar review: Mrs. Nelson like the virtual session and thought it was interesting from the board side of a negotiations. Mr. Roberts was interested in the sessions presented. He got a better understanding of negotiations and the required steps for the process. Mr. Toso was observing the changes in legislative bills that would concern negotiations. Mr. Haut enjoyed the sessions.

Superintendent Lech reported the instructional plan committee recommendation is to continue with Plan 1. Dr. Lech will continue to collect data at our buildings to help the committee to make decisions.

Superintendent Lech reported on the update of the UJ and JPS shared facility projects. The locker-room project has been disappointing due to increase in cost of materials has made the project over the planned budget of \$500,000. JLG would like a signed agreement to move forward with design. Dr. Lech recommended to hold off on this agreement until we have a clear pathway to what is affordable to the need of this project. Bids would go out once the pathway to the project is clear for present and future needs. Superintendent Lech reported there are pathways to lead us in this project through ESSER grants and reviewing of the Capital Project Plan update.

Superintendent Lech reported on legislative update.

Superintendent Lech reported on the ESSER grants. ESSER I funds had specific allowable areas funds could be spent on. ESSER II estimated allocation is 2.2 million and the state has expanded uses for these funds. ESSER II expanded to include building issues that would assist in fitting the COVID 19 social and health requirements. There is a potential of an ESSER III which could be used for capital projects. Superintendent Lech would like to use dollars to have Consolidated Construction do a capital projects update and use dollars towards those projects.

Mrs. Larson moved, seconded by Mr. Toso to move the JLG agreement to a different agenda to get more information to make a better decision. Roll call vote with unanimous "yes" vote. Motion carried.

Superintendent Lech reported Consolidated Construction could do an Capital Projects plan update for the proposed cost of \$4,500.00. Mrs. Larson moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts

to approve moving forward with a Capital Project update with Consolidated Construction. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Gehlhar, High School Principal and Career and Technology Director, presented information on an Innovation Education Program which you apply for with Department of Public Instruction. This program would be researching and implementing strategies in a phase plan that will increase opportunities for students and student success. This program along with our mission and vision for our district would help our students grow according to their personalized learning.

Mrs. Sally Ost, Business Manager, reviewed the changes to the budget. Private schools funds were moved to specific line items. Title II budget in order to match grant, Title II was reduced by \$1,718.91. Title IV budget revision consisted of adjusting line items no change to total budget. The UJ project and expense associated with the 2020 Certificate of Indebtedness, the building fund budget needs to be increased by \$2,058,358.44. Mr. Toso moved, seconded by Mrs. Nelson to approve the revised Budget. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ost, Business Manager, presented the General Fund balance sheet for board members to review.

Mr. Toso moved, seconded by Mr. Rohr to approve the monthly financial reports. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Roberts to accept the resignation of Kathryn Morehouse, Special Education Teacher at the Middle School at the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year. Roll call with unanimous “yes” vote. Motion carried.

Superintendent Evaluation Timeline was present to the board members.

No further business, President Haut adjourned the meeting.