

JAMESTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES – March 18, 2019

The Jamestown Area School Board met on March 18, 2019 at 6:00 PM in the Board Room at the Jamestown High School with President Tracie Runyon presiding. Mrs. Runyon led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Members Present: Jered McElhaney, Jim Owens, Bev Riley, Ron Sherbondy, Brenda Stevenson, John Tucker, Dave Volosin and Nicole Zahniser

Members Absent: Tracie Runyon

Others Present: Tracy Reiser, Superintendent; Kristin Hope, Elementary Principal, Gary Kinnear, School Psychologist and Director of Special Education and Nancy C. Solderich, Business Manager/Board Secretary

MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Owens, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 19, 2019. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Minutes to reflect there was a negotiations committee meeting held with the JEA union on March 4, 2019.

New Business

BOARD

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the following board policies: Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

POLICY 347 Workers' Compensation Transitional Return-to-Work Program

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Ms. Zahniser, to approve the following volunteers (pending receipt of all clearances). Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Brandin Brooks, 3461 Pheasant Chase, Hermitage, PA ~ Position Volunteer
Isabella Bungo, 75 College Avenue, Greenville, PA ~ Position Volunteer
Matthew King, 4708 Scott Road, Jamestown, PA ~ Guest Volunteer

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the following conference and/or workshop requests: Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Brian Keyser, Kate Evans-Haines, Heidi Grinnell and Joshua Rausch, How Prepared are students for life after HS, Westminster College, April 5, 2019, Cost \$0.00 (using a school van)

An Equal Opportunity Employer

Motion by Ms. Zahniser, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, to approve the feasibility study that was completed by HHSDR on October 11, 2018. Discussion occurred and the motion was voted down. A motion was then made by Ms. Zahniser, seconded by Mrs. Riley to table this motion. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote

Riley – yes, Sherbondy – yes, Stevenson – yes, Tucker – yes, Volosin – yes, Zahniser – yes, J. McElhaney – yes, Owens – yes

Motion by Ms. Zahniser, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, to approve increasing the number of combined Board workshops & meetings a year when feasible. Discussion occurred and the motion failed. A motion was made by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mrs. Riley to amend the motion and leave the board calendar the way it is for 2019 and address any changes in December for the following year. Amended Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

ACADEMIC

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve a field trip request from Mrs. Heidi Grinnell to Pittsburgh for 44 students to attend a Careers in Construction and Allied Industries event on March 29, 2019. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve a field trip request from Mrs. Allison Polley to Pymatuning State Park for approx. 10 students to plant live stakes around a shoreline (stabilization/habitat improvement project). Planned to utilize two school vans on May 3, 2019. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve changing the after-prom activity plan. New plan: Bonfire in the demolition derby area from 11 pm – 1 am. Backup plan: Movie in the LGI, play basketball & volleyball in gymnasium. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Ms. Zahniser, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the attached language addition to the JHS and JES handbooks regarding the McKinney-Vento act. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Sherbondy, to approve the attached resignation from John Cone, III as a speech therapist, effective April 26, 2019. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Ms. Zahniser, to approve the advertisement and hiring of a speech therapist. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mr. Sherbondy, to approve an FMLA leave for Chalsie Kennedy as requested. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve the following unpaid days: Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Suzie College ~ March 21st & March 22nd
Julie DeMarco ~ April 16, 2019
Jennifer Arnett ~ March 5, 2019
Lisa Buchholz ~ April 22-24, 2019
Samantha Faler ~ April 5 & 8, 2019

Motion by Mr. Sherbondy, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, to approve the attached resignation from Corinne Livingston-Morian as the Head Girls Basketball Coach, effective immediately. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the attached resignation from Scot Vannoy as the Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, effective immediately. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Ms. Zahniser, to approve the advertising and hiring of a Boys and a Girls head varsity basketball coach beginning the 2019 / 2020 season. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Sherbondy, to approve hiring Sarah Peters, as a Speech Pathologist at an annual salary of \$44,845 (Step 3 Masters). Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

FINANCE

Motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Sherbondy, to approve the financial statements for February 2019. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Sherbondy, seconded by Mr. Tucker, to approve payment of bills for February and March 2019. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Tucker, to approve the following budget transfer requests: Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

\$5,828.76 from 1110-100 Reg. Programs / Salary Expense (account reclass)
to 1190-100 Fed. Programs / Salary Expense

\$2,452.81 from 1110-200 Reg. Programs / Benefits Expense (account reclass)
to 1190-200 Fed. Programs / Benefits Expense

\$150.08 from 1211-200 Life Skills Support / Benefits Expense
to 1211-600 Life Skills Support / Supplies Expense

\$190.95 from 1241-800 Learning Support / Other Objects
to 1241-300 Learning Support / Contracted Services

\$552.00 from 1243-800 Gifted Support / Other Objects
to 1243-300 Gifted Support / Contracted Services

\$1,297.94 from 2260-100 Instruction & Curr. Dev. / Salary Expense
to 2150-600 Speech Pathology Services / Supplies

\$7,696.24 from 2220-600 Technology Support / Supplies Expense
to 2220-400 Technology Support / Purchased Property Svc.

\$275.00 from 2220-600 Technology Support / Supplies Expense
to 2220-500 Technology Support / Other Purchased Services

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mr. Tucker, to approve the attached proposed 2019-2020 Mercer County Career Center Budget with total receipts and expenditures of \$5,602,334 (4.47% increase from 2018-2019). Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, to approve the attached subscription of CANVAS beginning the 2019 / 2020 year, in the amount of \$5,000.00 per year for 3 years to be paid out of the General Fund. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve the trade in of the 2010 blue van and authorize the purchase of a new 10 passenger van, with an estimated net cost of \$24,269 to be paid with Capital Reserve funds. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Sherbondy, seconded by Ms. Zahniser, to approve the attached two-year agreement with Walsworth yearbooks, to be paid with yearbook club monies from the student activities account. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mrs. Riley, to approve purchasing six (6) iPad pros, six (6) pencils and six (6) cases for the device, with a total estimated cost of \$7,488.00 to be paid with Capital Reserve funds. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, to approve purchasing eighty-five (85) student iPads and three (3) carts with a total estimated cost of \$36,775.72 to be paid with Capital Reserve funds. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Tucker, to approve transportation to all varsity and Jr. high track competitions from JHS to GHS in the amount of \$50.00 per event, made payable to AC Services / Anderson. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Tucker, to approve **Susan Hipkins as a bus driver for AC Services / Anderson**. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

OTHER / CRITIQUE

State Ethics Commission Statements ~ need to be filled out by May 1, 2019
MIU4 Convention Dinner ~ April 24, 2019
Knox Law Firm Symposium ~ April 30, 2019
Budget and Finance Committee meeting
Special Education Plan – review with Mr. Kinnear

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Riley, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

*Nancy C. Solderich, PCSBA
Board Secretary | Business Manager*

