

JAMESTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES – May 9, 2024

The Jamestown Area School Board met on May 9, 2024, at 6:00 PM with President Ben McElhaney presiding.

Members Present: Becky Bercis, Eric Dell, Bob Hutchinson, Kelli Mayer, Ben McElhaney, Adam Miller, and Patrick Thomas

Members Absent: Jered McElhaney, David Volosin

Others Present: Tracy Reiser, Superintendent; Gary Kinnear, School Psychologist and Director of Special Education, Brian Keyser, High School Principal, Kristin Hope, Elementary School Principal, Beth Boylan, Business Manager, Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary

MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 18, 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

New Business

BOARD

Motion by Mr. Ben McElhaney, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the use of the 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 PCCD Mental Health Grant funding in the amount of \$105,129.00 to pay for a contracted Prevention Specialist to administer district prevention programs and the supplies to accompany them, as well as partially fund a School Counselor. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve a School Service Agreement for 2024-2025 for the Mercer County Girls on the Run program. Motion passed by a 6 – 1 voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the creation of a Concessions Manager position with the attached job description that will replace the Game Manager position for all Varsity and Junior Varsity indoor athletic events. The salary will be in accordance with the previously adopted Game Manager, per event, stipend. Motion passed by a 6 - 1 voice vote.

ACADEMIC

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Ben McElhaney, to approve the list of graduating seniors of the Class of 2024 pending completion of all requirements. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the following unpaid days:

Brittany Bruce, Paraprofessional – one half (1/2) day: April 22, 2024

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the following unpaid days:

Melissa Genovesi, Food Service – one (1) days: May 28, 2024

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the following unpaid days:

Erin Smith, Food Service – one (1) day: May 2, 2024

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the attached Agreement for Beth Boylan, Business Manager, effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve hiring Kendra Horne as the Girls Basketball Varsity Assistant Coach. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve an intermittent Family Medical Leave for Patti Jo Uplinger, retroactive to April 24, 2024, through August 15, 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Dell, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to approve a Family Medical Leave for Danielle Cerroni from August 26, 2024, through November 27, 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Ben McElhaney, to approve the advertising and hiring of a substitute for Danielle Cerroni's Family Medical Leave. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve Jon Weatherby at the rate of \$60/hour to serve as a contracted Prevention Specialist for the 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 school year. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the resignation of Lindsey Carr from her position in the Maintenance Department. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the advertising and hiring of a replacement for Lindsey Carr in the Maintenance Department. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

FINANCE

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve the financial statements for April 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve payment of bills for April and May 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the following budget transfers:

\$23,000 from 2620-300 Operation of Bld Svc / Prof Svc (account reclass)
to 2620-600 Operation of Bld Svc / Natural Gas Expense

\$23,000 from 2620-300 Operation of Bld Svc / Prof Svc (account reclass)
to 2620-600 Operation of Bld Svc / Electric Expense

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Mayer, to appoint First National Bank of PA as depository for the Jamestown Area School District for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. Funds to be insured with FDIC per school code, Section 623. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Miller, to grant permission to the following organizations to apply for gaming licenses for the 2024-2025 school year:

Jamestown All-Sports Boosters
Jamestown Parent Teacher Organization
Jamestown Band Booster Club

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Ben McElhaney, make the attached Proposed General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 available for public inspection. The budget contains total Revenues of \$10,267,282 total Expenses of \$10,767,282 and the following proposed tax levies for rebalancing:

70.12 mills on real estate in Mercer County (3.6 mill increase)
45.60 mills on real estate in Crawford County (0.54 mill decrease)
\$5.00 per capita under Section 679
\$5.00 per capita under Act 511
One-half percent (.5%) earned income tax under Act 511 (wage tax)
One percent (1%) real estate transfer tax

After discussion, motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Mayer to amend the motion to correct the decrease in millage in Crawford County to 0.61. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to approve membership dues ((\$5,345.83), payable to PSBA, for policy maintenance and a standard district membership for the 2024-2025 school year (increase of \$181.94 from 2023-2024). Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mr. Ben McElhaney, to approve a contract with Government Software, Inc. for the 2024-25 school year (approximately \$100.00 cost increase from 2023-24). Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Mayer, seconded by Mrs. Bercis, to approve the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Computer Services Rates for 2024-25. (Approximately a \$500.00 increase from 2023-24) Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mr. Miller, to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 pm. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.



Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary