

JAMESTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES – Board Meeting July 11, 2024

The Jamestown Area School Board met on July 11, 2024, at 6:00 PM with President Ben McElhaney presiding.

Members Present: Becky Bercis, Bob Hutchinson, Ben McElhaney, Adam Miller, Patrick Thomas, and David Volosin

Members Absent: Eric Dell, Kelli Mayer, Jered McElhaney

Others Present: Tracy Reiser, Superintendent; Brian Keyser, High School Principal, Kristin Hope, Elementary School Principal, Beth Boylan, Business Manager, Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary

MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 13, 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

New Business

BOARD

Second reading of the following board policies (no action required):

POLICY 218 – Student Discipline
POLICY 218.1 – Weapons
POLICY 218.2 – Terroristic Threats
POLICY 222 – Tobacco and Vaping Products
POLICY 227 – Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia
POLICY 323 – Tobacco and Vaping Products
POLICY 351 – Controlled Substance Abuse
POLICY 707 – Use of School Facilities
POLICY 801 – Public Records
POLICY 803 – School Calendar
POLICY 805 – Emergency Preparedness and Response
POLICY 805.1 – Relations With Law Enforcement Agencies
POLICY 805.2 – School Security Personnel
POLICY 806 – Child Abuse
POLICY 815.1 – Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence in Education
POLICY 904 – Public Attendance at School Events
POLICY 909 – Municipal Government Relations

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Volosin, to approve the following board policy:

POLICY 237 – Electronic Devices

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the resignation of Rodney Callahan from the position of High School Softball Coach effective June 14, 2024. Motion passed by a 5-1 voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to rescind the approval of tenure that was granted to Mary Uplinger at the June 13, 2024, board meeting due to a date error. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Volosin, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve Alexandra Puleo as a Biology/Chemistry Teacher at a Step 1 Masters level of \$50,525.00. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson, to the revised Support Staff Manual retroactively effective on July 1, 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

FINANCE

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the financial statements for June 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve payment of bills for July 2024. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Mr. Hutchinson, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve a \$5.00 increase to the substitution rate for the 2024-2025 school year from \$100.00 to \$105.00. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

An Executive Session was held from 6:29 pm until 7:37 pm to discuss Personnel and a Legal Matter.



Lisa Nuhfer, Board Secretary