

Johnstonville Elementary School District

Minutes for Regular Meeting September 14, 2016

1.1	CALL TO ORDER	Board President Lynn called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.
1.2	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT/TARDY	Board Trustee Amber Lynn, Board Trustee Jim Willis, Board Trustee Elizabeth Krier, Board Trustee Reesa Rice, and Board Trustee Richard Roman. Board Trustee Reesa Rice – Arrived at 5:55 Board Trustee Richard Roman – Departed at 7:45
1.3	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Board Trustee Amber Lynn
1.4	APPROVE AGENDA	A motion to approve the agenda with correction on 8.1.2 dates, was made by Board Trustee Roman and seconded by Board Trustee Willis.
1.5	APPROVE MINUTES	A motion to approve the August 10, 2016 minutes was made by Board Trustee Board Trustee Roman and seconded by Board Trustee Willis.
1.7	PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS	None
7.0	PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD	<p>Board Trustee Lynn requested to move 7.0 Public Comment after 1.7. A motion to approve request was made by Board Trustee Willis and seconded by Board Trustee Roman.</p> <p>Public Comments On All Non-Agenda Items Within the Subject Matter Jurisdiction of the District- Up to 20 minutes – September 14, 2016.</p> <p>The following members of the public spoke on a variety of topics not listed on the agenda.</p> <p>Mike Kelley- He shared he didn't know about Back-to-School Night and expressed concerns with the new format. He also shared that he feels that his son's Individual Education Plan is not being followed and that he is getting the run around. The school feels that it is being run as a dictatorship. He would like to know if this is coming from the Superintendent or the Board. His kid and grandkids do not want to come to school.</p> <p>Mondy Rigling- Shared concerns regarding students being asked to eat all their lunch. She would like the teachers available before school for the kids and parents to express concerns and/or issues; <i>not</i> supervising students at recess but rather have Para educators supervise. She would like to know why the students can only go to the Library/Computer Lab twice a month and what happened to before and after school access to computer lab. She expressed that Success for All is a great program and where did it go? The school is going in a different direction why? The teachers and staff need to be backed up. She is considering moving her kids to a different school.</p>

Terri Koehler- Shared concerned with security issues related to backpacks and students' lack of access to the buildings in the morning. She wants this school to thrive. She doesn't feel welcome and feels that this is not an approachable campus.

Shelby Burton- Reports that the school is lacking communication and organization. She spoke to a range of topics that she had concerns with: Back-to-School Night, backpack procedures, bullying, and discipline.

Ricky Wilson- Her kids do not feel comfortable going into the cafeteria for fear of consequence. In past years, she has visited Miss Ferne to say hello. She no longer is allowed to do that. According to her research, California Department of Education requires one certified teacher for supervision. The remaining supervising adults can be aids. She feels that Johnstonville needs to just come together and figure this out.

Alex Harwood- When you come on to campus, there is tension. The staff, teachers, parents and students are unhappy. When choosing a superintendent, we wanted change however, there is so much change-good and bad. She feels that this may be at the cost of losing staff and teachers and she does not want this to happen. The school feels more like a military school or prison for the students. It is a very stressful environment.

Chris Rigling- There is a lack of communication between Superintendent, Teachers, Staff, and parents. It feels that all the decisions are being made by one person without any regard to suggestions. Change needs to happen but with respect to input from teachers and staff.

Karen Kelley- She feels that there is a lack of communication. She was yelled at by Superintendent for coming in the wrong door even though the door is labeled 'students enter here'. Why aren't the teachers using the books issued for teaching? She would like the teachers available before school for the kids and parents to express concerns and/or issues.

Mike Garrison- He wanted to share an experience he had today. He wanted to visit his son's classroom today but was told that he had to give twenty-four-hour notice before he could sit in on lesson. He will be attending the class Thursday September 15, 2016. He's considering transferring his child out of Johnstonville School.

Michelle Wolf- This is a small community and we take care of each other. She believes it takes a village to raise these kids and that includes the staff and teachers at Johnstonville School. Her concerns: Her son is afraid of Dr. Spears and therefore, does not want to come to school. The Success for All Program is a great Program and has done amazing things for her child. She wants the Success for All Program to continue. Her son has made great improvements in reading and praises his 6th Grade Teacher. She is a longtime volunteer at Johnstonville School because she believes in this school. She was offended by Dr. Spears at Back-to-School Night because she could not look her in the eye and welcome her.

		<p>Bernadette Cizin- Her son loves his teachers. When her son was in third grade he had three teachers. It was a tough year and she does not want to see other kids go through that. She supports the teachers.</p> <p>Bill Dunn- He's heard rumors about chairs being thrown and afraid that his kids have been exposed to negativity that has been going in the 8th Grade Classroom. He feels that it should be a bully free zone but it's not. His daughter witnessed a special needs child being treated condescendingly. She reported it to an adult but when Dr. Spears called home, she called his daughter a liar. He would like to know what the protocol is for reporting an incident.</p> <p>The public comment opened at 5:41 and closed at 6:14.</p>
1.8	ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION	Following approval of the agenda by unanimous consent, with five members present, the meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 6:15 p.m.
2.0	PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS	None
3.1	CLOSED SESSION ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED	Public Employee Appointment and Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Resignation/Complaint – Personnel Assignment Order 2016/17 #2
4.0	RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION	
4.1	ADJOURN OPEN SESSION AND RECONVENED OPEN SESSION	The Board reconvened into open session at 7:05 p.m.
4.2	REPORT ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION	<p>Reportable action taken during closed session on Personnel Assignment Order No. 2016/17 #2 is as follows:</p> <p>The Board voted 5-0 to accept the resignation of Kindergarten Teacher Rebecca Wert and Para educator Brenda Murray.</p>
5.0	RECOGNITIONS	None
5.1	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS	None
5.2	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AWARDS	<p>Students of the Month for August:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten – Silus Tapia and Lucy Datema First Grade – Eduardo Luna and Allison McGarva Second Grade – Destiney Wirta-Sjoblom Third Grade – Brady Kemp Fourth Grade - Shannah McGarva Fifth Grade – Allyssa Kirkpatrick Sixth Grade – Daniel Watson Seventh Grade – Miguel Luna Eighth Grade – Caleb Montgomery <p>Students of the Month for September:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten – Terry Mann and Lillian English First Grade – Alexia Haskill and Cayden Brooks Second Grade – Haidyn Snyder Third Grade – Hannah Fitzpatrick


		<p>5. Fourth Grade – Hailey Magallanes</p> <p>6. Fifth Grade – Tammy Justice</p> <p>7. Sixth Grade – Heavyn Tapia</p> <p>8. Seventh Grade – Hannah Danes</p> <p>9. Eighth Grade – Kayla Blacka</p>
6.1.1	BOARD MEMBER REPORTS	<p>Board Trustee Lynn attended Back to School Night. She also visited the classrooms and attended morning ceremony.</p> <p>Board Trustee Willis met with Superintendent, visited classrooms, and enjoyed watching Mr. Johnson’s kids participate in P.E.</p> <p>Board Trustee Krier attended Back to School Night.</p>
6.1.2	SUPERINTENDENT REPORT	<p>State Progress on Absenteeism</p> <p>Kindergarten</p> <p>The positions for coaches have been filled.</p> <p>6th Grade Camp fundraised at Back to School Night.</p> <p>Success for All Trainers will be here Thursday September 15, 2016.</p>
6.1.3	UNAUDITED ACTUAL REPORT	<p>Andrea Kellogg, Chief Business Officer reported on the Unaudited Actuals and cash and budget transfers for the 2015/2016 school year and 2016/2017 school year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The revenues were what we expected. • Staub Energy has proven to be a huge cost savings of \$1.10 a gallon. • This is the first year that we have not overspent. • Ending fund balance was noted. • Purchase of Chrome books has been a school wide upgrade. • Wi-Fi capabilities have been upgraded thanks to Robert Talley.
6.1.4	DIGITAL ENERGY FOR PROP 39 CONTRACT FOR SERVICES	<p>Dr. Spears reported on behalf of Shaun Giese. Shaun submitted the energy expenditure to the state and was awarded funds in the amount of \$158,000.00. We would like to contract with Digital Energy to complete bid specifications and act as the Engineers of Record.</p> <p>The question was asked by Board Trustee Willis if the bid was advertised and if they are reputable. Dr. Spears response was that it was advertised and this was the only company that responded. She stated that Shaun Giese trusts this company and has done his research well.</p>
6.1.5	REVISION OF BOARD POLICY 5030 STUDENT WELLNESS POLICY	<p>Dr. Spears reported that every two years the state requires an updated wellness policy. The district is requesting approval of the revised policy 5030 student wellness policy which includes a physical fitness test for students. In addition, our school Lunch Program audit will be coming up in October.</p>

6.1.6	PRESENTATION OF RECOMMENDED ADOPTIONS OF BOARD POLICIES (BP), ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (AR), AND EXHIBITS	Dr. Spears reported that annually the district needs to update its Board Policies. With the proposed adopted policies, we instantly become compliant with the Sufficiency of Instructional Materials. We have not been in compliance for some time.
6.1.7	SUFFICIENCY OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS REPORT	Dr. Spears reported that we have sufficient materials including supplemental materials.
6.1.8	GRADE LEVEL PROGRAM OVERVIEW	<p>Dr. Spears reported on behalf of Dawn German-Howe on the overview for grades Transitional Kindergarten through second grade. Brie Buckler, 3rd Grade Teacher reported on grades third through fifth. Bobbie Kirkpatrick reported on grades sixth through eighth. Handouts included the Average Daily Attendance (ADA), Initial Data on Reading, Initial Data on Math and Instructional and Professional Focus for Q1.</p> <p>Dr. Spears publicly thanked Mrs. Kirkpatrick for teaching the chrome book tutorial.</p> <p>Dr. Spears thanked the staff for their reports.</p>
6.1.9	JOHNSTONVILLE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (JTA) CERTIFICATED UNION'S REPORT	Mr. Johnson voiced that there was nothing to report.
6.1.10	CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION (CSEA) CLASSIFIED UNION'S REPORT	None
6.1.11	PUBLIC HEARING ON SUFFICIENCY OF TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FOR THE 2016/17 SCHOOL YEAR	Board Trustee Lynn opened the Public Hearing at 7:58. Hearing no comment she closed the Public Hearing at 7:59.
6.2	ANNOUNCEMENTS	<p>September 15th Professional/Personal Development 6:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board President Lynn asked for clarification on the Professional/Personal Development. Dr. Spears responded that the meeting for parents will be in the Board Room Thursday September 15, 2016 to address the importance of homework. Sher further explained that it was advertised on the marquee and a copy went home with students.
7.0	PUBLIC COMMENT	Upon request of Board President Lynn the Public Comment was moved after Item number 1.7.

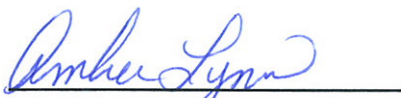
8.0	CONSENT CALENDAR	A motion to approve the Consent Calendar was made by Board Trustee Krier and seconded by Board Trustee Willis. No discussion.
8.1.1	WARRANTS	The Board approved the commercial warrants and district payroll.
8.1.2	UNAUDITED ACTUALS	The board approved the Unaudited Actuals and cash and budget transfers for the 2015/2016 school year and cash and budget transfers for the 2016/2017 school year.
8.1.3	GANN APPROPRIATION LIMIT RESOLUTION #2016/17-2	The board approved Resolution #2016/17 -2 Gann Appropriation Limits for 2014/15 & 2015/2016.
8.1.4	ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICIES, ADMININSTRATIVE, REGULATION AND EXHIBITS	<p>The board approved the following Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Board Policy (BP) 6161.1 Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials •Administrative Regulation (AR) 6161.1 Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials •Exhibit 6161.1 Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials •Adoption of Board Policy (BP) 6161.11 Supplemental Instructional Materials •Administration Regulation (AR) 3551 Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund
8.1.5	SUFFICIENCY OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS RESOLUTION (60119) #2106/17-3	The board approved the resolution in accordance with Education Code 60119.
8.1.6	DIGITAL ENERGY FOR PROP 39 CONTRACT FOR SERVICES	The board approved the contract with Digital Energy to complete bid specifications and act as the Engineers of Record.
8.1.7	BOARD POLICY 5030 STUDENT WELLNESS	The board approved the BP 5030 Revisions.
9.0	OLD BUSINESS	None
10.0	NEW BUSINESS	None

11.2	AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING	<p>Board Trustee Krier requested a special board meeting to address and clarify questions that parents had during Public Input with a Frequently Asked Question (FAQ). The board agreed. The Special Board Meeting will be held Tuesday September 20, 2016 at 5:30.</p> <p>Board Trustee Krier would like to know the names of the coaches who have been selected. She would also like to know the status of the 8th Grade Fundraising.</p> <p>Board Trustee Lynn would like students from the 6th Grade Class to report on 6th Grade Camp.</p>
12.0	ADJOURNMENT	There being no further business, Board Trustee Lynn adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Next Board Meeting - Wednesday October 12, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.


Clerk of the Board

10/12/16
Date Approved


President of the Board

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