

JENNINGS COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Central Administration Office Building
Board Work Session
Executive Session
Regular Board Meeting
Executive Session (Immediately Following Board Meeting)
August 25, 2022

Board Work Session: A Board Work Session was held on August 25, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Administration Office Building, 34 West Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265.

- Discussion of Read Grant

Board members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Earl Taggart, Pat Sullivan, Travis Shepherd, Tony Daeger, Susan Wahlman & Chelsea Morrison. Interim Superintendent Jim Halik, Assistant Superintendent Nicole Johnson and Administrative Assistants Philip Marsh, Amanda Sullivan, Roy Herr, JCHS Principal Dustin Roller, Assistant Principal Stephanie Ebbing and Kathy Ertel with Jennings County EDC were also in attendance.

The Board Work Session adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Regular Meeting: The Board of School Trustees held its regular meeting in the Board Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Administration Office Building, 34 West Walnut Street, North Vernon, IN 47265. The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

The following link was available to live stream the Regular Board meeting from your home:

<https://youtu.be/qTVncvCU25M>

Board members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Earl Taggart, Pat Sullivan, Travis Shepherd, Tony Daeger, Susan Wahlman and Chelsea Morrison. Interim Superintendent Jim Halik, Assistant Superintendent Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Shannon Lacoursiere, Philip Marsh, Amanda Sullivan, Todd Ebinger, Roy Herr and Board Executive Secretary Debbie Andis were also in attendance.

This meeting was a meeting of the School Board in public for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation's business and it was not to be considered a public community meeting. There was time for public participation as indicated by the agenda. (Policy 0166)

Consent Agenda Items: The following items were provided to the Board for their review and approval. If any Board Member had a concern about an item, he/she would have requested that the item(s) be removed from this grouping to be voted upon individually.

The following consent agenda items were presented for approval without discussion:

- III. Minutes;

- VIA4. Field Trips;
- VIB1. Professional Staff: Leaves;
- VIB2. Professional Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VIB4. Conference Requests;
- VIC1. Support Staff: Leaves;
- VIC2. Support Staff: Resignations, Retirements;
- VIC4. Conference Requests;
- VII. Claims;

Information Items: These items were given to the Board to review. If a Board Member wished to discuss any of these items; he/she would have indicated that the item(s) be removed from the grouping for discussion during the meeting.

The following information items were shared with the Board:

- VIIIA1. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 4/18/2022.
- VIIIA2. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 5/16/2022.
- VIIIA3. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 6/27/2022.
- VIIIA4. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 7/18/2022.
- VIIIA5. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 8/15/2022.

Agenda

- I. Pledge
The President opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Consent Agenda Items
Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
- III. Minutes of the Board Work Session and the Regular Board Meeting of August 11, 2022.
The minutes were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.
- IV. Community Non-Agenda Items
 - The President asked if anyone would like to speak on any items on the agenda or any other topic.
There were no comments.Dr. Pettit welcomed everyone and reminded them that we are live streaming the board meeting tonight.
- V. Old Business
 - A. NEOLA. Approval
 - 1. NEOLA Policy 3220.01, Teacher Appreciation Grants, Second Reading.
Mrs. Johnson asked for approval for the NEOLA policy for Teacher Appreciation Grants. There are no changes from the previous year.
Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve the above NEOLA policy. Mr. Daeger seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
 - B. Finance (Policy 6000)
 - 1. 2023 JCSC Budget – Second Reading, Permission to Advertise, Approval
Mr. Marsh stated that this is the second reading of 2023 JCSC Budget. There have been no changes and is asking permission to advertise on September 9th.

Ms. Morrison made a motion to approve advertising the 2023 JCSC Budget. Mrs. Wahlman seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

VI. New Business

A. Programs (Policy 2000)

1. Teacher Evaluation Tool, Approval

Erin Stoner, district teacher evaluation committee chair, presented the Teacher Evaluation Tool and noted the changes for this school year. Mrs. Johnson stated that the committee has worked very hard. The teachers have voted and currently have a 97.6% approval rate. Mrs. Johnson is asking for approval of the 2022-2023 Teacher Evaluation Tool.

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the Teacher Evaluation Tool. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

2. JCSC Assessment Data Presentation, Inform

Mrs. Johnson shared the final assessment scores from last school year. Mrs. Johnson gave a presentation on where our performance is at and what next steps we are taking as a corporation.

3. School Improvement Plans, Inform

Mrs. Johnson stated that it's that annual time of year again when all the schools have worked to updated their school improvement plan. These are available to view digitally or as a printed copy also. We will bring this back for approval at the next board meeting.

4. Field Trips

- JCHS FFA – Brad Briggs, National FFA Convention Indianapolis, IN., 10/26/2022 – 10/27/2022.

This field trip was approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

B. Professional Staff (Policy 3000)

1. Leaves

None at this time.

2. Resignations/Retirements

- Kimberley Chilman, GCE Teacher, corrected retirement effective 5/2025.
- Katherine Swanson, SCE Teacher, resignation effective 8/11/2022.

This resignation/retirement was approved without discussion as consent agenda items.

3. Recommendations

- Ed Ertel, JCHS Counselor, 2 yr. contract continuing through 6/30/2024. Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve the 2 yr. contract for Ed Ertel. Mr. Daeger seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
- Karen Schneider, JCMS Teacher/Elementary Athletics Director, change extra days from 12 to 25 days, effective 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the extra days for Karen Schneider. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.
- STEM Sponsors, \$432.00 stipend, effective 2022-2023 school year
 - BCE – Stephanie Puckett
 - HE – Baylee Craddock
 - GCE – Courtney Kreutzjans
 - SCE – Danielle Wiley
 - NVE – Judy White
 - SE – Vi Davis

- JCMS – Tara Kelly
- JCHS – Charlie Woolf

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the recommendations for STEM Sponsors. Mrs. Wahlman seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

4. Conference Requests

- Karen Pedigo, IASP Fall Professionals Conference, Indianapolis, IN., 11/20 -11/22/2022.

This conference was approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

C. Support Staff (Policy 4000)

1. Leaves

- Kayla Nimeskern, HE Para Pro, leave effective 10/6/2022 – 12/04/2022.

This leave was approved without discussion as a consent agenda item.

2. Resignations/Retirements

- Hannah Everhart, NVE Para Pro, resignation effective 8/03/2022.
- Amber Gross, JCMS Cook, resignation effective 8/08/2022.
- Russell Ilsey, JCHS Cook, resignation effective 8/07/2022.
- Brandon Koors, SE Para Pro, resignation effective 9/02/2022.
- Donna Smith, JCS Bus Driver, retirement effective 8/23/2022.
- Stacey Tempest, JCMS Athletic Secretary, retirement effective end of 2022-2023 school year.
- Laurel Thompson, BCE Para Pro, resignation effective 8/26/2022.

These resignations/retirement were approved without discussion as consent agenda items.

3. Recommendations

- Teresa Brandt, JCHS Cook, \$14.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 8/29/2022.
- Sallie Emily, SCE Para Pro, \$13.00 hr. x 29 hrs. week, effective 8/15/2022.
- Randy Hill Jr., JCMS 7th Grade Assistant Football Coach, \$1,925.00 stipend, effective 8/11/2022.
- Bridget Jagger, SCE SPED Para Pro, \$13.75 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 8/24/2022.
- Penny Jones, JCHS Cook, \$14.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 8/08/2022.
- Justin Kuntz, JCHS Main Office Worker, \$11.00 hr. x 4 hrs. day, effective 8/08/2022.
- Diana Marshall, HE Cook, \$14.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 8/15/2022.
- Stephanie Rayner, SCE ESSER Para Pro, \$14.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 8/15/2022.
- Holly Rose, HE Para Pro, \$14.00 hr. x 29 hrs. week, effective 8/18/2022.
- Katherine Safely, JCMS Cook to JCMS Music Para Pro, \$14.50 hr., effective 8/22/2022.
- Teresa Short, SCE Full Time Para Pro to Part Time Para Pro, effective 8/22/2022.
- Kennedy Vance, SE Para Pro, \$13.95 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 8/24/2022.
- Amanda Walp, JCHS Cook, \$14.50 hr. x 7 hrs. day, effective 9/06/2022.
- Connie Wilson, SE Para Pro to SE Librarian, 8 hrs. day, extra 5 days yr., effective 8/03/2022.

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the above recommendations. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

4. Conference Requests

None at this time.

D. Students (Policy 5000)

1. Enrollment Update, Inform

Mrs. Johnson updated the board with the enrollment for this school year. As of the first week of school we were down 99 students to the previous years beginning of school enrollment. We are currently, as of last Friday, at 3,877 students. That is up by 14 students from the beginning of the year. With the potential loss of 99 students across the district we wanted to dig deeper to see where those students are at. All principals have been asked to conduct exit interviews with students/families that have left us by 9/15/22. If they are unable to reach someone by phone, an exit interview form will be mailed.

E. Finances (Policy 6000)

1. Donations, Approval

- Campbell Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept., \$1,000.00 to BCE for Student Snacks.
- F & A M Masonic Lodge #219, \$500.00 to BCE for Student Snacks.
- Bar-Cons, \$150.00 value in Playground Balls to BCE.
- Coffee Creek Christian Church, \$250.00 to GCE for Student Needs.
- Weston Baptist Church, \$500.00 to GCE for Student Needs.
- Decatur Plastics, \$500.00 to SCE for Students in Need.
- Ebbing Auto Parts & Fresh Printz, Inc., Shelving for the JCHS School Supply Shop.
- Modern Woodmen, \$700.00 in Snacks to Jennings County Schools.
- Biehle Family Dentistry, 2 Totes of School Supplies to Jennings County Schools.
- Lowe's, \$100.00 to JCHS for the School Supply Shop.
- 2022-2023 HOPE Food Program Donations:
 - Jackson County Bank - \$500.00
 - Dennis & Sheila Coquerille - \$225.00
 - Christ Baptist Church - \$200.00
 - Southern Indiana Mold Corp. - \$225.00
 - Grayford Road Church of God - \$225.00
 - Hilex Poly – donation of bags
 - Warren Hall - \$225.00
 - The Eye Care Group - \$500.00
 - Expert Eye Care - \$225.00

Mr. Daeger made a motion to approve the above donations. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

2. CPF (Capital Projects Finance) Plan Presentation, Inform

Mr. Marsh showed a powerpoint of the Capital Projects Finance Plan – first presentation.

3. Food Service Meal Prices, Approval

Mrs. Johnson is asking for approval of meal prices for the 2022-2023 school year. She stated that food meal prices are staying the same, but this year the Federal Government USDA Program that gave free breakfast / lunch to all students has expired, so we are back to all our policies/procedures that were in place prior to COVID. Mrs. Johnson is asking for approval of the following meal prices:

	Paid	Reduced	Free
Student Breakfast	\$1.50	\$0.30	\$0.00
Student Lunch	\$2.75	\$0.40	\$0.00
Student Mild	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50
Adult Breakfast	\$2.50		
Adult Lunch	\$4.60		
Adult Milk	\$0.50		

Mr. Taggart made a motion to approve the above meal prices. Ms. Morrison seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

F. Operations (Policy 8000)

1. Food Service Student Program Update, Inform

Since the federal grant allowing for free universal meals for all students is expired, Stacie Green, Food Service Director, provided an update to our school procedures regarding charging lunches and breakfast meals. We have aligned the procedures to our adopted policies. All students will be allowed to eat the full meal regardless of a negative account balance at breakfast or lunch.

2. Bus Replacement Plan Presentation, Inform

Mr. Marsh presented the 2022 Bus Replacement Plan – first presentation.

VII. Claims

The claims were presented for approval in the amount of \$1,909,599.11 (claims 10,355 – 10,523) and payroll in the amount of \$1,230,591.79 (check date 8/31/2022).

VIII. Other

A. Update

1. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 4/18/2022.
2. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 5/16/2022.
3. North Vernon Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes 6/27/2022.
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The above minutes were included in the board packet.

6. Other

IX. Adjournment

Mr. Sullivan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Mr. Shepherd seconded the motion. 7 yes, 0 no. Approved.

Executive Session: The Jennings County School Corporation Board of School Trustees met in executive session on August 25, 2022 at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Jennings County School Corporation Central Administration Office Building, 34 West Main Street, North Vernon, IN 47265, to discuss the following in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b):

(2) For discussion of strategy with respect to any of the following:

(D) A real property transaction including:

- (i) a purchase;
- (ii) a lease as lessor;
- (iii) a lease as lessee;

- (iv) a transfer;
- (v) an exchange; or
- (vi) a sale;

by the governing body up to the time a contract or option is executed by the parties. This clause does not affect a political subdivision's duty to comply with any other statute that governs the conduct of the real property transaction, including IC 36-1-10 or IC 36-1-11.

- (3) For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems. IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(3)
- (5) To receive information about and interview prospective employees. IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5)
- (9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process.

Board members present were Dr. Amy Pettit, Earl Taggart, Pat Sullivan, Travis Shepherd, Tony Daeger, Susan Wahlman & Chelsea Morrison. Interim Superintendent Jim Halik, Assistant Superintendent Nicole Johnson, Administrative Assistants Philip Marsh and Shannon Lacoursiere were also in attendance.

The executive session adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

The Board of Trustees of Jennings County School Corporation did not discuss any subject matter in the Executive Session other than that specified in the Public Notice.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Amy Pettit - President

Travis Shepherd

Chelsea Morrison - Vice President

Pat Sullivan

Susan Wahlman - Secretary

Earl Taggart

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