

MINUTES

Jefferson High School Dist. 1  
Regular Meeting

October 24, 2011  
JHS Library

Board members present:

**Kathy Jackson**  
**Kyle Eckmann**

**Sabrina Stekete**  
**Tim Lloyd**

**Pat Lewis**  
**Lynne Bryant**

Administrators present:

James Whealon, Superintendent

Lorie Carey, Business Manager

Dan Sturdevant, AD

Visitors: Steve McCauley

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CALL BOARD TO ORDER	Ms. Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The pledge was said.
CONSENT AGENDA	Ms. Stekete moved to approve the consent agenda with a clarification of taking the policy item off the table. Added (reconsidered). Ms. Jackson had a few questions about claims. Mr. Lloyd had one as well. Ms. Lewis seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
PUBLIC COMMENT	<b>None.</b>
COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS	<b>Letters to the Board.</b> Thank you from Lynne Bryant’s family for flowers. <b>Student Council Report.</b> Student Council approved the request for Spanish Club to sell baked goods. FCCLA baked goods at sporting events. Are discussing whether or not to allow the student to dress up for Halloween. Meetings are held the first and third Mondays rather than Mondays every week. <b>Staff Presentation</b> – Steve McCauley spoke to the board about the science department. He commended Ms. Williams as a fantastic science teacher and Ms. Foster for her efforts in NHS. Ecology class went on a field trip to John Heide’s to view stream quality and fish shocking done by Troy Humphrey. Mr. McCauley has been using the digital microscopes in biology. The students can insert pictures in the labs that they type to submit for a grade. He added that having another mobile lab would be extremely helpful. He is also using the digital microscopes with the AYA/YDI students. Science Exploratory class is building the native landscape behind the visiting section of the football field. They are hauling in decomposed granite for the trails. Three students are going to a service learning workshop in Bozeman November 13. He had a guest speaker last week from the Forest Service about being “Bear Aware”. The Veteran’s Day ceremony is coming up Thursday November 10. Science Olympiad has 7 members and will be competing Nov. 22. Ms. Williams reorganized the Chemical Storage room to a national standard as part of her in-service days. Mr. McCauley also added that the ventilation in the science rooms themselves might need improvement.
COMMITTEE REPORTS	<b>Negotiations/Personnel.</b> Didn’t meet. <b>Policy/Handbook</b> Didn’t meet. <b>Budget/Insurance/Investments.</b> Didn’t meet. <b>Building/Grounds/Transportation.</b> Didn’t meet but Ms. Jackson had Flint Jackson from Bullock Contracting stop and look at the driving range. He asked what the board’s intention for the rocks was. Micki and Monty LeTexier have offered some topsoil. Dan Sturdevant thought that there was a low spot that a bunch of the rocks could be pushed into. He will get in touch with Flint to decide what to do. Pushing the rocks may occur December or January. <b>Teaching/Learning.</b> Didn’t meet.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	<b>None.</b>
NEW BUSINESS	<b>Policy 1420, 3110, 3416 and F, 4330, 8425 &amp;F&amp; P.</b> Ms. Stekete moved to accept these policies on second reading. Ms. Bryant seconded the motion which passed unanimously. <b>Policy 7261 Metal Mines.</b> Ms. Jackson questioned the restriction placed upon the board by this policy concerning the ½ of the balance in the fund as of June 30, 2007. The perception by the state legislature is that these funds are like the oil and gas funds that may be targeted by legislature for use in funding. Ms. Lewis moved to remove the sentence – Under no circumstances may the principal be decreased to less than 50% of the balance in trust on June 30, 2007. Ms. Bryant seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Policy history will reflect date 10/24/11 and purpose – to give the board flexibility due to potential legislative changes. <b>Policy 1110.</b> Ms. Lewis moved to adopt on 1 <sup>st</sup> reading with changes noted. Ms. Bryant seconded the motion which passed unanimously. <b>Policy 1111.</b> Ms. Lewis moved to accept on 1 <sup>st</sup> reading. Ms. Stekete seconded the motion with passed unanimously. <b>Policy 1120</b> Ms. Stekete moved to accept the policy on 1 <sup>st</sup> reading. Ms. Lewis seconded the motion which passed unanimously. <b>Policy 1210</b> Ms. Stekete moved to approve on 1 <sup>st</sup> reading. Ms. Lewis seconded the motion which passed unanimously. <b>Policy 1400</b> Ms. Stekete moved to accept on 1 <sup>st</sup> reading with the removal of “ and Jefferson County Courier”. Ms. Bryant

NEW BUSINESS (Cont.)

seconded the motion which passed unanimously. **Policy 1532** Ms. Steketee moved to approve on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mr. Lloyd seconded the motion which passed unanimously. **Policy 2100** Ms. Steketee moved to approve on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mr. Eckmann seconded the motion which passed unanimously. **Policy 7320** Ms. Steketee moved to approve on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mr. Eckmann seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**Substitute.** Susan Deming Ms. Steketee moved to approve as a substitute. Ms. Bryant seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**Administrative Salary Increase.** Ms. Steketee moved to approve the 5% salary increase for Mr. Whealon (recommended by the personnel committee at the previous meeting). Mr. Eckmann seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Ms. Steketee asked Mr. Whealon if he would consider another contract with JHS as superintendent. Ms. Jackson referred this item to Negotiations/Personnel to meet with Mr. Whealon in the next 2 months.

**Student Council Advisor.** Ms. Steketee moved to approve Jessie Collins as Student Council Advisor. Ms. Bryant seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**Custodian.** Mr. Whealon said that the interview committee would recommend Jeremy Sullivan. Ms. Lewis moved to accept the committee's recommendation. Ms. Bryant seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**Sports Evaluation/Recommendations – volleyball incident.** Ms. Jackson stated that rumor has it that one player was addressed by the coach in front of the entire team about comments made by that player's parent. Ms. Bryant expressed concern about the program since there were reservations about the current coach. Ms. Steketee asked if Mr. Whealon and Mr. Sturdevant would look into it.

**Coaching Vacancies.** No applications have been received. Our unique location is somewhat of a detriment.

COMMENDATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Ms. Jackson wished to commend the football coach for his accomplishments with the team. Coach Layng brought 4 members of the JHS team to one of the local small fry football team's games and talked with many of the players afterwards. The JHS players played a little football with them as well. Mr. Eckmann was very impressed with the impact it made on the kids.

AD REPORT

Mr. Sturdevant spoke about an incident that occurred at the Townsend Football game. A JHS parent verbally attacked the JHS coach about playing time. Twenty missed practices contributed to it but the parent didn't agree. Mr. Erickson sent the drawings for the front entrance which might make it cost prohibitive. Mr. Sturdevant will begin soliciting money for the improvement.

CLERK'S REPORT

Presented in written form.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Whealon attended MCEL which he felt was not as well-attended as in past years. Tomorrow is the deadline for the ADC report to be submitted to Mr. Pace.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FOLLOWING MEETING

Request for an additional mobile lab and improved ventilation in the science labs.  
Volunteers for track – Garwood and Langford  
Separate meeting for planning. *Ms. Steketee presented the 8 characteristics of effective school boards. Ms. Bryant expressed her concern that the board members not spend time just reviewing goals and establishing plans that don't have a measureable outcome. Ms. Jackson suggested that the members suggest dates and Mr. Lloyd will see if he can get in touch with the facilitator that worked with his division at the state.*

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

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Negotiations/Personnel: P. Lewis, S. Senechal, T. Lloyd  
Policy/Handbook: P. Lewis, S. Steketee, L. Bryant  
Budget/Insurance/Investments: S. Senechal, K. Jackson, K. Eckman  
Building/Grounds/Transportation: K. Jackson, K. Eckman, T. Lloyd  
Teaching/Learning: S. Steketee, L. Bryant