**MINUTES** 

Jefferson High School Dist. 1

Regular Meeting

August 20, 2013 JHS Board Meeting

Board members present:

**Travis Pierce** 

Pat Lewis

**Denise Brunett** 

Micki LeTexier Stan Senechal

Larry Rasch

Administrators present:

Tim Norbeck, Superintendent

Board members absent: Sabrina Steketee

Lorie Carey, Business Manager

Daryl Mikesell, Principal

Visitors: Jan Anderson, Bonnie Ramey

CALL BOARD TO ORDER

Ms. Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:30. The pledge was said.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Lewis welcomed Larry Rasch as the new board member representing the Clancy area.

STUDENT REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Committee reports:** Ms. LeTexier spoke on behalf of the Budget Committee and briefly reviewed the recommendations which include - a \$2000 signing bonus for the Library/English teacher and approval of the submitted budgets.

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Bonnie Ramey, Jefferson County Clerk and Recorder, spoke to the board about some of the questions the board members had concerning the delinquent taxes as reported in the paper. A usual delinquency in the number of taxpayers not paying their taxes is about 5%. This last year, that number rose to 10-15%. The treasurer immediately sent reminder notices but little response has been received. The commission has provided for the receipt of payments to assist in the collection of the taxes. The county is going to tax deed on a couple properties but neither one is in the JHS area. The goal is to have the properties remain on the tax rolls. Regarding Montana Tunnels, the goal is to have it up and running again. They could be in the tax deed process but they entered into a payment process. Currently \$237,000 has been received. Another payment is expected this coming month and then they will be on a quarterly payment plan. The Puget Sound protested taxes have been released but that only helped the cash flow for the current year. She also briefly reviewed the timing of the receipt of taxes for school districts.

CLERK REPORT

Clerk Report Presented in written form.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

**Principal report.** Presented in written form. He reviewed the upcoming beginning of the year events.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

**Superintendent report.** Presented in written form and briefly reviewed. All gate money from previous plays has gone directly to the student account to off-set the cost of productions. He also included a copy of the welcome letter/packet that is sent each year to the students. Along with that, a work-in-progress procedures manual table of contents was provided. The placement of the math teacher on the current matrix was discussed by the superintendent, the business manager, and the president of the teachers' union to find a fair and equitable solution. What was decided was to offer a contract for an amount that most closely resembles the combination of a 2/7 contract at step 8 and a 5/7 contract at step 2. A letter was crafted for all the parties to sign. The vacation buyout policy follows state law and only affects a few people – superintendent, business manager, tech coordinator, custodians, and school secretary. Mr. Norbeck added that he was currently reviewing the attendance agreement process.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 

Lawsuit update. None.

Student expulsion. This is a follow-up from the January 22, 2013 special meeting. Ms. Anderson asked for clarification about the issue involved and whether student or public safety could be affected. Mr. Mikesell assured her, that while a staff threat had occurred, the previous action of the board had addressed it. This hearing is a continuation of the process. The board went into executive session at 7:37. The regular session resumed at 7:46. Mr. Mikesell reiterated that he wished to err on the side of caution where student's FRPA rights were involved. He recommended that the board expel the student for repeated gross misconduct and for not fulfilling the modification plan devised in January. Ms. LeTexier moved to accept the recommendation. Mr. Senechal seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

13/14 Budgets. Mr. Pierce moved to accept the budget committee's recommendation to approve the budgets as presented. Mr. Rasch seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Personnel. Substitutes. Mr. Pierce moved to approve Roy Tomich as a custodial sub. Ms. LeTexier seconded the motion which passed unanimously. One-time signing bonus. The budget committee recommended that Whitney Wallace receive the one-time \$2,000 bonus. Mr. Pierce moved to accept the committee's recommendation. Mr. Senechal seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Business position recommendation. Mr. Mikesell recommended A.J. Angelo for the business position and 1 period of PE. Mr. Pierce moved to accept the recommendation. Ms. LeTexier seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Paraprofessional positions. Mr. Mikesell recommended Lisa Fjeldseth and Shannon DeMers as the paraprofessionals. Ms. DeMers position is contingent upon the enrollment and continued enrollment of a student with special education needs. Ms. Fjeldseth will be taking the place vacated by Ms. Cathy Carey. Mr. Pierce moved to accept the recommendation. Mr. Senechal seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Part-time PE position recommendation. Mr. Mikesell recommended Mr. Clint Layng for the part-time PE position. Ms. LeTexier moved to accept the recommendation. Mr. Rasch seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Mr. Layng will currently be assigned to 1 period of drivers' ed and 1 period of PE. Speech/Debate position recommendation. Mr. Mikesell recommended that the board offer the position to Ms. Whitney Wallace contingent upon having at least 5 students participate. Mr. Senechal moved to accept the recommendation. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Resignation - custodian. Mr. Paul Petroff submitted his resignation. Ms. LeTexier moved to accept his resignation. Mr. Rasch seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Coaching position recommendations. Mr. Mikesell recommended that the board approve Hunter Nance as a football volunteer. Mr. Pierce moved to approve the recommendation. Ms. LeTexier seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Discussion was held about the volunteer process. Board members suggested that it might not be as inclusive as desired.

**Activity Fund Revenue ideas**. Mr. Mikesell submitted a proposed change in policy for the activity fund revenue. This item will be placed on the September agenda for 1<sup>st</sup> reading with a possible waiver of second reading.

**Approval of Transportation Agreements** Ms. LeTexier moved to approve the transportation agreements. Mr. Senechal seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATION AND COMMENTS

Resignation letter was received.

COMMENDATIONS AND RECOGNITION

**Commendations**. – Mr. Mikesell wished to commend Jan Anderson, Cristina Ronayne, Dan Sturdevant and the booster club for the athletic posters. Ms. LeTexier wished to commend Alan Smith for his efforts to make information more readily available on the website.

CONSENT AGENDA

**Minutes and Claims** Ms. LeTexier moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Pierce seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Chair/supt. Article. Mr. Norbeck will craft a draft.

FOLLOW UP /ADJOURNMENT

Follow-up/Adjournment.
Policy for Activity Fund Revenue
Clarification of Transportation Budget
Staff presentation by Alan Smith
Strategic Planning.
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Chair, Jéfferson High School Board

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