

MINUTES

Jefferson High School Dist. I
Special Meeting

May 29, 2014
JHS Library

Board members present:

Sabrina Steketee

Pat Lewis (by phone)

Administrators present:

Larry Rasch Michele LeTexier

Denise Brunett (by phone)

Tim Norbeck, Superintendent

Lorie Carey, Business Manager

Daryl Mikesell, Principal

Visitors: Jan Anderson, Whitney Wallace, Victoria Foster, Darcie Bullock, Kyle Listoe, Buster Bullock

CALL BOARD TO ORDER

Ms. Steketee called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The pledge was said.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Metal Mines money classification and use. The amount of money needed for the CAD workstations proposed by Mr. Smith, Technology Coordinator, was \$15,928.10. Ms. LeTexier stated that the Technology Committee had not met yet. Her request was that the board approve up to \$30,000 to be spent from the Metal Mines fund for the CAD workstations and for the next most pressing technology needs. Ms. LeTexier moved to use \$30,000 from Metal Mines for that purpose. Mr. Rasch seconded the motion. Ms. Steketee stated that that would put the balance in Metal Mines at ~\$180,000 and that there is no way to build those funds back up should they be needed in the future. The motion passed unanimously by the 5 present (physically and electronically).

Classified and certified renewals. Mr. Norbeck presented the list of employees he recommended for renewal which included every current full- and part-time employee (the list follows these minutes). Darcie Bullock, current Student Body Vice-President and 2014/15 Student Body President, expressed concern from several students about the fact that they are uncomfortable around one of the teachers on the list for renewal. Ms. LeTexier moved to accept Mr. Norbeck's recommendation of renewal all employees on the list. The motion died for lack of second. Ms. Steketee asked Miss Bullock if the students had gone through the suggested process for complaints. Miss Bullock replied that she didn't know whether they had or not. A brief discussion about approving each employee or section separately ensued. The statement of supporting the administration's recommendation was made. Also, board members stated that since no mention of questionable employee performance was made during the evaluation process there was little the board could do but accept the recommendation.

Ms. LeTexier moved to approve the tenured certified employees of Bieler, Foster, Garnaas, Hesford, Hohenthal, McCauley, Ternes, Kelly and Getten. Ms. Brunett seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ms. LeTexier moved to approve the single employee on the tenure year renewal, Williams. Mr. Rasch seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ms. LeTexier moved to approve the non-tenured employees of Strozewski, Newman, Drynan, Andariese, C. Carey, Wallace, Angelo, Heimann, and Layng. Mr. Rasch seconded the motion. Ms. Lewis expressed that she had reservations. Ms. Brunett also had reservations. The motion, however, passed unanimously by the 5 present, physically and electronically.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Buster Bullock asked if he could make a comment to the board. He was given the floor. He stated that he felt no legitimate discussion was held to address a concern brought to the board by a student and he was not pleased. Ms. Steketee stated that she, as the chair, had been in contact with the principal and superintendent concerning a particular employee's performance and that that is being dealt with. Mr. Bullock stated that as a voter, tax-payer, and JHS supporter he was concerned that the board made no effort to engage a conversation about the student concern. He agreed that the board had little choice but to accept the superintendent's recommendation but also questioned the administration's handling of the situation as well. He concluded that he was very disappointed in the board and the administration.

Chair, Jefferson High School Board


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