

Following is a summary of minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Jasper County Community Unit School District No. 1 held in the office of the Board of Education by virtual zoom/or in person due to COVID 19, on Monday, October 19, 2020. Board members present were Mr. Gordon Millsap, Mr. Jon Fulton, Mrs. Holly Farley, Mrs. Mindy Street, Mr. Bill Meinhart and Mr. Jason Kuhl. Members absent: Mrs. Mandy Rieman.

All votes are considered unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Gordon Millsap called the meeting to order.

Gordon provided instructions on how to comment or provide questions for the upcoming Recognition of Guests and Public Comments, guests may submit questions or statements to be read aloud during this time by utilizing the chat button on the zoom meeting.

Agenda was adopted.

Under the Superintendent's report

Mr. Johnson updated the board regarding COVID19, numbers are shooting up, there are more students quarantined than last week. We are going to keep doing what is best for the students and employees.

Mrs. Probst reported on the school report card. Atlantic Research has been in the district working with our teachers.

Emily Flach and Stephanie Klingler co-presidents of JCEA along with several sport coaches and extracurricular coaches were present to inform the board of what they have been doing with the students and how important these activities are to all involved and thanked the board for their continued support.

Gordon asked for guests and public comments. There were none.

Approval of the consent agenda:

Regular and closed session minutes from September 21, 2020 and Regular and closed session minutes for October 5, 2020 Special Meeting,

Bills and Payroll,

Presentment of monthly financial reports,

Destruction of closed session recording for August 16, 2018,

Melissa Griffith - Olmstead as a CEO Mentor,

\$200 donation in memory of Jerry Collins to the NCHS Softball Team, \$165 to JCJH Baseball activity account for Regional Championship Shirts, \$157.50 to JCJH Cross Country activity account for Sectional

Championship Shirts and \$1,740 for 3 new football helmets to fit larger kids to ensure safety, all from the Athletic Boosters,

Approval of 3 Circles Ag Grant for John Lidy, Brock Tarr and Travis Tarr and

Approval of agreement with the Newton FFA Alumni Association.

One FOIA request from Robert Degre.

Krista McLaren from Kempers CPA Group in Olney presented the District's annual audit which showed no issues with all funds in great shape. The District scored 3.90 compared to 3.55 last year. The highest score available is 4.0.

Stephen Adams from PMA Financial discussed bonds and a timeline.

Ryan Savage with Holland Construction and John Bishop with Farnsworth were present to answer any questions regarding the building project.

Approval for Instructional/Teaching agreement between the Jasper County Health Department and Jasper Co. CUSD #1 (CNA).

Approval to purchase property located at 502 Barton Street, Newton to serve as additional parking at Newton Elementary.

Approval to purchase property located at 1401 Clayton Avenue, Newton, future plans are to move Ste. Marie Pre-K and Kindergarten to the Sunrise Youth Center. Ayes: Meinhart, Street, Kuhl, Fulton, Millsap. Nays: None. Abstain: Farley.

Approval to accept bids for mower and buses. Woods Mower and 3 mini buses to Steve Postlewait and a mini bus to Chad Farley.

Appoint Mandy Rieman to represent the board virtually at the joint annual conference in November.

Approval to hire Megan Marks as a JCJH assistant volleyball coach to start with the 2020-2021 season.

Approval to hire Betty Harris as a night custodian at Newton Community High School starting immediately.

The board went into executive session at 7:40pm for 5 ILCS 120/2 ( c ) ( 1 ) – To consider information Regarding Appointment, Employment or Dismissal of Individual Employees, 5ILCS 120/2 ( c ) (9) – Student Disciplinary Case(s) and 5 ILCS 120/2 ( C ) ( 10 ) To Discuss Matter Relating to Individual Students.

Approval to return to open session at 8:52pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 16, 2020 at 6:30pm at the Board Office.