Jefferson School District

Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
November 14, 2023

Present: Brian Jackman, President; Pete Carlson, Vice President; Debbie Wingo, Clerk; Soyeb Palya, Member; Todd Wetherell, Member; Jim Bridges, Superintendent
In attendance: Celli Coeville, Chief Business Officer; Bertha Ramon, Administrative Assistant

I OPEN SESSION –5:30 PM

a. Call to Order at 5:30 PM
b. Roll Call to Establish Quorum- All Board Members Present
c. Approval of Agenda-
d. Public Comment for Closed Session Items

MSA (Wetherell, Wingo) – Approve the agenda as presented
Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Absent –0 Abstain – 0
Palya, Carlson
Wetherell, Wingo, Jackman

e. **Closed Session**- Adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing matters expressly authorized by government codes 3549.1, 54956.7, 54956.8, 54956.95, 54957.8, Education Codes 49079 (c), 48912, 48918 (c)

f. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

II. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 6:30 PM

Welcome from Board President Brian Jackman
Pledge of Allegiance

In Closed Session-
For certificated employees, the Board approved employees #'s12746,12747,12748,12749,12750 classified employees #'s 12751,12752
MSA (Wingo, Carlson)
Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Absent –0 Abstain – 0
Palya, Carlson
Wetherell, Wingo, Jackman

Superintendent's Report- Jim Bridges

Busing Update- Dr. Bridges shared that we have not had to cancel a single bus route the entire year to date.
Construction- Corral Hollow Elementary School remains on track for an August 2024 opening. The final major hurdle should be cleared in the next few weeks with the arrival of the electrical switch gear from Texas. Dr. Bridges also shared some pictures of the building's progress.

Spelling Bee Winners- The district Spelling Bee was held on November 2nd, with the following students winning respective placements. For 4th-6th grade, Nishka Raje won 1st place, Sufyan Noori won 2nd grade, and Dhyan Dhayal won alternate. For 7th-9th grade, Praneet Kumaravel took 1st place, Pranvi Rikkamalle 2nd place, and Yukta Mukkala won alternate.

Dr Bridges also shared that Monticello had its first rally, which was a huge success, and he thanked Mrs. Bunch, Mrs. Wooten, and the Monticello ASB advisors and students for their help.

Student Body Reports-

Trisha Dasgupta ASB president Monticello
Here are my updates. Monticello had its first school rally on Friday, November 3, with a theme of extreme purple and green, and it was a huge success. We thank Dr. Bridges, Miss Jones, and Mrs. Bunch for their help. In our last meeting, we reviewed the rally's glow and growth. Some of the glows included fun, organized, and demonstrated games. Some gains included having prizes, letting students participate more than once, and having more games. We had a costume parade on Tuesday, October 31. Many of our students dressed up that day. And so did our teachers and staff. Today, we launched the Brighter Christmas food drive; we encourage our students to gather canned food for needy people from November 14 to December 13. This past month, Monticello had a successful fire and earthquake drill. We will have a first-trimester award assembly the week of December, and for our upcoming spirit days, pajama day on November 7. Thank you for listening to my report.

Bailey Sauers ASB Vice-President Jefferson
Jefferson has quite a bunch of things going on. We celebrated Red Ribbon Week and learned the importance of living drug-free. We have also started a quote that students are guided to live by seeing and saying something. This quote ensures a decrease in our students and teaches them how to keep others and our community safe. This Friday is what everyone's excited about: the turkey trot. The winners from each grade level in gender will be getting a turkey to kick off Thanksgiving break. It's the best way to start Thanksgiving break since this Friday will be a short rally schedule, and all students and teachers will have a pajama day. You all should come to check it out. Jefferson also has started Brighter Christmas donations. Jefferson always goes all out with its generosity. And last year, we donated tons and tons of nonperishable foods. That is all for this month; thank you for listening, and have a great rest of the night.

Paloma Ibarra ASB Secretary Hawkins
During these past few weeks, Hawkins had their first dance of the year, which worked well. A lot of people went in their costumes and had fun. Then, a Fall Festival hosted by HDFC in the evening, where we gave out candy, and the kids went to me, so we're just going to be interfering. A sixth grader will move on to the San Joaquin County Spelling. The girls' basketball team has started their season and will work hard in practice. Last but not least, we will host an event called Anything But About 50 this Friday. Students are encouraged to bring their items and everything but an actual backpack. Thank you for your time, and have a great

Natalie Vasquez ASB Secretary Traina
The Traina Tigers are in full swing for college weeks as it is national college week, which takes place during our break. This year's focus is private colleges and universities in California. The colleges picked were the University of San Francisco, Pepperdine University, St. Mary's College of California, University of the Pacific. We had a great kickoff on Monday as it was “Dream Big.” Students were asked to wear any college apparel or the apparel of the room college and pajama pants—every college student's favorite piece of clothing. Today was teacher alma mater day. Wednesday is UCLA Day in honor of Dr. Bridges, who started college week in our district. On Thursday's career day, students will dress as they want to be when they graduate college. It will all wrap up on Friday with a K through fourth rally and a fifth through eighth rally. The sixth through eighth graders will have a dance in the gym that evening. We're very excited about the festival and cannot wait for fall break next week. Thank you, and have a good night

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – No Public Comments

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – Regular Board Meetings October 17, 2023

4.2 Warrants – October 2023

4.3 Financials – October 2023

MSA (Wetherell/Palya) approved the consent agenda as presented

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0

Palya, Carlson

Wetherell, Wingo, Jackman

V. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

5.1 Student Enrollment-

Jim Bridges- Last month, we were at 2,944 students. We're now at 2966 and growing every single day. We're adding a new kindergarten class. We hope that that will be online before winter break. We have an agreement with the union to go up to 28 students per class and the primary grades, but we have a hard cap at 28, and we started the year at 24 to 25 in kindergarten, and we now have three open spots district-wide. And so we are 27 and, in some cases, 28 across the district. So, for the past week or so, and moving forward, all students who come to kindergarten are being told that while they're currently being placed in a school, once that classroom opens, they will be moving into that classroom, which will be housed at Traina. We're also excited because we've been planning to open a preschool autism class for many years, and it's finally coming to fruition that class will also be starting on December 4. This target opening date will be at Traina School, so it's nice we're bringing back many students who would have gone to the county and can now remain within our district.

VI. PERSONNEL SERVICES

6.1 Approval of Notice of Assignment of Affiliation Agreement with The University of Phoenix

MSA (Wingo/Carlson)

Ayes-5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Wingo, Carlson, Jackman

Wetherell, Palya

6.2 Approval of Provisional Internship Permit- Special Education Request

MSA (Carlson/Wingo)

Ayes-5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Wingo, Carlson, Jackman

Wetherell, Palya

6.3 Approval of Provisional Internship Permit- Multiple Subject Request

MSA (Wingo/Wetherell)

Ayes-5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Wingo, Carlson, Jackman

Wetherell, Palya

6.4 Approval of Administrative Waiver- Vice Principal H. Copeland

MSA (Wingo/Wetherell)

Ayes-5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Wingo, Carlson, Jackman

Wetherell, Palya

6.5 Approval of Title 5, California Code Regulations, Sections 5593 and 5594- Athletic Coach Certification

MSA (Carlson/Wingo)

Ayes-5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Wingo, Carlson, Jackman

Wetherell, Palya

VII. BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

7.1 October 2023 FY 23-24 Budget Adjustments

MSA (Wingo/Wetherell) approved the October 2023 FY 23-24 Budget Adjustments as presented

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0

Wingo, Carlson, Palya

Wetherell, Wingo

7.2 Williams Act Quarterly Reporting

MSA (Wingo/Carlson) approved the Williams Act Quarterly Reporting with no Complaints

Ayes- 5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Carlson, Wingo,

Jackman, Palya, Wetherell

7.3 Contract with National Demographics Corporation

MSA (Wetherell/Palya) approved the Contract with National Demographic Corporation

Ayes- 5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Carlson, Wingo,

Jackman, Palya, Wetherell

BOARD DISCUSSION AND REPORTS (The board may or may not take action on any items listed below)

8.1 Resolution 2023-11-01 Establishment of Trustee Boundaries

Dr. Bridges gave a short presentation to the board regarding establishing trustee boundaries. For several years, there's been a push to have California school districts and public municipalities draw trustee areas for their jurisdictions. Typically, it's been at large voting in our school districts in California. That means you could have five board members living on the same street. However, California has enacted a law to ensure that pockets of the population are not disenfranchised or left out of the voting process. This law allows somebody to file a demand letter against a school district if they feel people's voting rights are violated. If this happens, the district has two choices: to fight back legally or hire a demographer and still have to pay the person who filed the demand letter, which is what we are talking about tonight. No school district in the state has won, and most are paying considerable legal fees. If the board approves this resolution, we have a tight timeline to complete this process before the January 1 deadline. The recommendation tonight is to approve this resolution, which will start the process. This includes hiring a demographer (7.3) and holding five public meetings between now and the end of the school year.

MSA (Wingo/Carlson) Approved Resolution 2023-11-01, establishment of Trustee Boundaries as presented

Ayes- 5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Carlson, Wingo,

Jackman, Palya, Wetherell

8.2 Board Policy Update-BP1312.3/AR-1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures

No Action was taken as the Board elected to review this item at a later board meeting.

8.3 Board Policy Update-BP6171/ AR-6171 Title I Programs

MSA (Carlson Wetherell)

Ayes- 5 Nays- 0 Absent- 0 Abstain- 0

Carlson, Wingo,

Jackman, Palya, Wetherell

8.4 Environmental Impact Pacific Gateway Project

Dr. Bridges gave a presentation explaining this development's impacts on traffic around Jefferson School. He asked the board permission to draft a letter to the county of San Joaquin to voice the district's concerns. The board gave its blessing, and a letter will be drawn and submitted.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

November 3, 2023	End of Trimester 1
November 10, 2023	Veterans Day No School
November 20-24, 2023	Thanksgiving Break No School

ADJOURNMENT – MSA (Wingo/Carlson) 7:28 pm

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board

Jefferson School District

Official Minutes of a Special Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
November 16, 2023

Present: Brian Jackman, President; Pete Carlson, Vice President; Debbie Wingo, Clerk; Jim Bridges, Superintendent
Todd Wetherell, member; Soyeb Palya, member
In attendance: Celli Coeville, Director of Business Services; Bertha Ramon, Administrative Assistant

I. OPEN SESSION

a. Call to Order at 4:03 P.M.
b. Roll Call to Establish Quorum – All members in Attendance
c. Approval of Agenda- The agenda was approved as presented
MSA (Carlson/ Wingo)

Ayes – 5	Nays – 0	Absent –0	Abstain – 0
Carlson, Wingo			
Jackman, Wetherell			
Palya			

2.1 Public Hearing for the Establishment of By-Trustee Area Voting

Dr. Bridges introduced the board to Shalice Tilton with the National Demographic Corporation. She shared A PowerPoint presentation with the board explaining the process her company will initiate as the district adopts By-Trustee area voting of our board members.

Public Comment- No Public Comments

ADJOURNMENT – MSA (Wetherell/Carlson) 4:21 PM

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board

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MSA (Carlson/ Wingo)

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Carlson, Wingo			
Jackman, Wetherell			
Palya			

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Public Comment- No Public Comments

2.2 Approved Board Policy Update-BP-1312.3/ AR-1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures.
MSA (Carlson/ Wingo)

Ayes – 5	Nays – 0	Absent –0	Abstain – 0
Carlson, Wingo			
Jackman, Wetherell			
Palya			

2.3 Environmental Impact Pacific Gateway Project Update.

Board President Brian Jackman- Mr. Jackman briefly overviewed the environmental meeting at Jefferson school the previous week. The board members agreed that traffic would significantly affect Jefferson School. Dr. Bridges shared with the board a letter outlining the board's concerns. The board approved the letter, which he will mail to the county.

ADJOURNMENT – MSA (Wetherell/Carlson) 4:32 PM

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board

Jefferson School District

Official Minutes of a Special Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
November 30, 2023

Present: Brian Jackman, President; Pete Carlson, Vice President; Debbie Wingo, Clerk; Soyeb Palya, member; Jim Bridges, Superintendent
In attendance: Bertha Ramon, Administrative Assistant

I. OPEN SESSION

a. Call to Order at 6:00 P.M.
b. Roll Call to Establish Quorum – Todd Wetherell was not in attendance
c. Approval of Agenda- The agenda was approved as presented
MSA (Carlson/ Wingo)

Ayes – 4	Nays – 0	Absent –1	Abstain – 0
Carlson, Wingo			
Jackman, Palya			

2.1 Presentation of Draft Maps of District Board Members' Potential Election Boundaries

Dr Bridges- Introduced Shalice Tilton from National Demographic Research, who gave a PowerPoint presentation featuring the three draft maps the board would need to choose from to establish election boundaries. The board had the opportunity to ask questions regarding each of the maps presented 501, 502 And 503.

Public Comment- No Public Comments

ADJOURNMENT – MSA (Wingo/Carlson) 6:32 PM

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board