Jefferson School District

Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
May 11, 2021

(Due to COVID-19, this meeting was held virtually for the public through a Zoom webinar)

Present: Dan Wells, President; Phil Raya, Vice President; Brian Jackman, Clerk; Debbie Wingo, Member; Jim Bridges, Superintendent

In attendance virtually: Dena Whittington, Chief Business Officer; Nancie Castro, Director of Human Resources and Curriculum; Angelica Thomas, Director of Special Education; Sarah Steen, Curriculum Coordinator; Christina Orsi, Ken Silman, Emily Stroup, Alyssa Wooten, Principals; Celli Coeville, Administrative Assistant

I. OPEN SESSION
- a. Call to Order at 5:38 PM
- b. Roll Call to Establish Quorum – Mr. Carlson was absent
- c. Approval of Agenda-
- d. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

MSA (Jackman/Wingo) – Approve the agenda as presented-

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

e. Closed Session Adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing matters expressly authorized by Government Codes 3549.1, 54956.7, 54956.8, 54956.9, 54956.95,54957, 54957.8, Education Codes 49079(c), 48912, 48918

f. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

II. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 6:32 PM
Welcome from Board President Mr. Wells
Pledge of Allegiance

In Closed Session-

MSA (Wingo/Jackman) - Approved personnel action for certificated employee #'s 12130, 12131, 12132, 12133, 12134, 12135, 12136, 12137, 12138, 12139, 12140; The Board also approved the personnel action for classified employee #'s 12141, 12142, 12143, 12144, and 12145.

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

The Board also discussed JTA negotiations

Superintendent's Report –

Dr. Bridges shared year to date COVID-19 information for JSD. The current number of staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 by site are Traina -4, Jefferson-0, Monticello-0, and Hawkins -8. For each District school site, the current number of District staff who have been quarantined for ten or more days due to COVID-19 concerns are Traina-14, Jefferson-3, Monticello-8, and Hawkins-16. For each District school site, the current number of students who have tested positive for COVID-19 are Traina – 5, Jefferson – 2, Monticello -2, and Hawkins -1. For each District school site, the current number of District students who have been quarantined for ten or more days due to COVID-19

concerns are Traina- 137, Jefferson- 57, Monticello – 72, and Hawkins 92. For each District school site, the current number of classes that have been returned to distance learning due to COVID-19 concerns are Traina -2, Jefferson – 1, Monticello – 1, and Hawkins- 3. Finally, for each District school site, the current number of District pupils who have been sent home for exhibiting COVID-19-like symptoms while at school are Traina – 22, Jefferson – 8, Monticello – 25, and Hawkins -19. Any time a child exhibits COVID-like symptoms they have been sent home.

Employee of the Year Recognition – Employee of the Year recipients were honored:

Principal Wooten spoke about the Jefferson School certificated employee of the year, Renae Potts, and Ricky Alcon, the classified employee of the year.

Principal Orsi spoke about the Tom Hawkins School certificated employee of the year, Scott Andrews, and Tom Podrasky, the classified employee of the year.

Principal Stroup spoke about the Monticello School certificated employee of the year, Christen Davis, and Olivia Sanchez, the classified employee of the year.

Principal Silman spoke about the Anthony Traina School certificated employee of the year, Brian Haines, and Alma Slinic-Morley.

Superintendent Bridges spoke about the District Office employee of the year, Nick Watson.

The Board members and Dr. Bridges congratulated and thanked all of the 2020-21 Employee of the Year recipients for this year.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – There were two public comments for items not on the agenda. Dr. Bridges read the following Public Comments which were received via Google Forms prior to the meeting:

Justin Chevallier:

As a parent of a student at Anthony Traina, I think it is imeritive that we change the campus lockdown protocols that are currently in place.

Today, there was a lockdown, and while I understand the main priority in these situations is keeping the children and staff safe, parents were not informed of this event until far after it had ended. Upon receiving this notice, I contacting the school and upon speaking with Principal Silman, I was informed that he was not allowed to provide any details regarding the lockdown or the threat that caused of it.

This was disheartening at the least as I cannot fathom a reason why the publicly funded school and board would want to hide information about the safety of my child when on campus. I would like the board to explain why this secretive policy is in place and why you feel parents should not be privy to detailed explanation of the threats being made against their child's school and the impact each lockdown may have on their child.

I am requesting that this policy be immediately eliminated and parents given detailed and informative explanations about any event of this nature at the child's school upon request. Furthermore, I am requesting that all parent alerts of a lockdown be sent immediately rather than 30-120 minutes following the event. These are our children and we have the right to be informed.

Traina/Staff Member:

I'm writing in regards to the recent lockdowns on the Traina campus and I feel that the board members and parents need to know what is happening behind the scenes. There was a lockdown on

Friday, April 30 at approximately 12:35 and a second one today at about 9:50. It is concerning as a staff member that we are not notified what is happening on campus. The staff did not know anything about the situation that caused the lockdown on the 30th. We received the same message that was sent out to parents that evening. Why are employees finding out the same information and at the same exact time as parents. Today, we received an email from Ken Silman stating that there were threats to the school. While I completely understand that specific details cannot be shared, it is not okay to be completely in the dark. The staff deserves to know if there was a situation with a student, was it something in the neighborhood, an issue with a parent, was a weapon involved, were police notified? I received a few emails from parents asking what was going on and I had to tell them I didn't know. I couldn't even reassure them that everything was okay because I didn't know if it was. We were told today that Tracy PD did get involved and handled the situation. While I do appreciate them helping, what actions are being taken to stop this from happening again. Stating that the situation was taken care of does not give me a sense of security. I am in charge of 25+ students and I will do anything for them. Today, though my students saw my nerves get the best of me and I knew then it was because I would not find out what was causing these lockdowns. It is very unfortunate that I am having to address this matter with board members when safety of me or my students should be something I should have to write about. Thank you for listening to my concern.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – Regular Board Meeting April 13, 2021
4.2 Warrants – April 2021
4.3 Financials – April 2021
4.4 Surplus- School Buses

MSA (Jackman/Raya) approve the consent agenda as presented.

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

V. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

5.1 Student Enrollment – the District is trending in a positive direction

VI. PERSONNEL SERVICES

6.1 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

MSA (Wingo/Jackman) approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators as presented

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

6.2 Contract, Tools for Classroom Instruction That Works, McREL International

MSA (Wingo/Raya) approve the Tools for Classroom Instruction That Works, McREL International Contract as presented

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

VII. BUSINESS AND FACILTIES

7.1 April 2021 Budget Adjustments -

MSA (Jackman/Raya) approve the April 2021 Budget Adjustments as presented

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

7.2 Resolution to Establish Inter-Fund Transfers, Resolution 2021-05-01

MSA (Jackman/Wingo) approve Resolution 2021-05-01 to Establish Inter-Fund Transfers as presented

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

7.3 Acquisition of One (1) New 2021 Thomas 84 Passenger Bus – Dr. Bridges noted that the District had contemplated purchasing three buses when he and Mrs. Whittington looked at the new buses early this year. With the District's aging fleet, this purchase will mean the District has three new buses.
MSA (Raya/Jackman) approve the Acquisition of One (1) New 2021 Thomas 84 Passenger Bus
Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Absent – 1 Abstain – 0
Jackman, Raya Carlson
Wells, Wingo

7.4 Contractor for Corral Hollow Elementary School, Otto Construction- Dr. Bridges noted that the District had a two -month process in the selection of construction companies. After a question and answer period and detailed reference checks, three finalist firms were selected to interview, and two finalists emerged. Both companies are outstanding. Ultimately the District looked at what is the best value and Otto Construction was selected. This approval will allow the District to begin the pre-construction process.
MSA (Wingo/Raya) approve Otto Construction as the Contractor for Corral Hollow Elementary School
Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Absent – 1 Abstain – 0
Jackman, Raya Carlson
Wells, Wingo

7.5 Quarterly Williams Act Reporting – there were no complaints during this reporting period.

VIII. BOARD DISCUSSION AND REPORTS
8.1 Items for the Next Board Meeting- schedule a Special Board meeting for the Extended Learning Plan, Wednesday, May 26th will be graduation for our students, and the LCAP will be coming up as well.

ADJOURNMENT – MSA (Jackman/Wingo) 7: 18 PM

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board

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Jefferson School District

Official Minutes of the Special Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
May 25, 2021

(Due to COVID-19, this meeting was held virtually through a Zoom webinar)

Present virtually: Debbie Wingo, President; Phil Raya, Vice President; Dan Wells, Clerk; Brian Jackman, Member; Pete Carlson, Member; Jim Bridges, Superintendent

In attendance virtually: Dena Whittington, Chief Business Officer; Nancie Castro, Director of Human Resources and Curriculum; Angelica Thomas, Director of Special Education; Sarah Steen, Curriculum Coordinator; Celli Coeville, Administrative Assistant

I. OPEN SESSION

a. Call to Order at 6:32 PM

b. Roll Call to Establish Quorum – Mr. Carlson was absent for Open Session due to technical difficulties.

c. Approval of Agenda-

MSA (Jackman/Carlson) – Approve the agenda as presented-

Ayes – 5	Nays – 0	Absent – 0	Abstain – 0
Carlson, Jackman, Raya, Wingo, Wells			

d. Public Comment for Items on the Agenda

e. Closed Session Adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing matters expressly authorized by Government Codes 3549.1, 54956.7, 54956.8, 54956.9, 54956.95,54957, 54957.8, Education Codes 49079(c), 48912, 48918

f. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

II. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 7:21 PM

Welcome from Board President Mr. Wells.

In Closed Session – The Board of Trustees discussed JTA negotiations.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comments were received

IV. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

4.1 Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan – Dr. Bridges commented that the District received great feedback from staff and parents. Mrs. Wingo commented that the plan was well thought out.

Roll Call Vote:

MSA (Wingo/Jackman) approve the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan as presented

Roll Call Vote:

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

V. BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

5.1 Resolution 2021-05-02, Approved the Award of Preconstruction and Lease-Leaseback Services for the Corral Hollow Project- Dr. Bridges indicated that the District now has an official address for the school site and DSA approval for the project.

Roll Call Vote:

MSA (Jackman/Raya) approve Resolution 2021-05-02, Approving the Award of Preconstruction and Lease-Leaseback Services for the Corral Hollow Project as presented

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

VI. ADJOURNMENT – MSA (Jackman/Wingo) 7:26 PM

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board

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