



Board Minutes September 16, 2019

REGULAR MEETING: Jac-Cen-Del Elementary Library – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

- Those present were Jason Smith, Stephen Huntington, Travis Neal, Fred Unsicker, Trent Whaley, Ryan Middleton, Trina Huff, staff and patrons.

An action item regarding an anonymous donation was added.

Motion: Travis Neal
 Second: Stephen Huntington
 Vote: 3 for

REPORTS:

- Kiwanis:** Mr. Dan Horn started his presentation by introducing the Kiwanis Club to the new administration, staff and patrons that were in attendance at the meeting. He touched base on some of the many things Kiwanis does including but certainly not limited to: BUG program (**B**ringing **U**p **G**rades), Back-Packs for students, giving scholarships to JCD seniors, 40 & 8 scholarship foundation, Angels of Giving at Christmas time, sponsoring Kindergarten Graduation Program and many more awesome programs. There were several comments made attesting to what the Kiwanis does for the community and JCD. Dan finished his presentation with this statement: **We, the Osgood area Kiwanis, are always looking for new members. If you are interested in becoming a part of this organization, please contact any member. The Membership Drive is October 21st at 6:00 pm at the Osgood Grub Company, Come Join Us!!**
- HS principal report:** Mr. Fred Unsicker started his presentation letting everyone know what a great beginning the High School has had. He commended the teachers for all they are doing to get and keep the students engaged and building positive relationships with the students, which he sees on a daily basis. He spoke of how proud he is to be a part of the PLTW-STEM program that is being implemented throughout the corporation. He noted that the High School has added at 2D Art Advanced Placement, 3D Art Advanced Placement and an AP Chemistry class. He talked about some of the high school students attending the Rural Road activity that invites students to learn about safe driving and that this was made possible by Melissa Boor. He commended Mrs. Sarah McGhee on everything she is doing to make the FFA program and chapter a success. On September 28th students will begin painting their parking spaces and everyone is excited to see their many talents displayed.

ACTION ITEMS:

- The board approved the minutes of the August 19, 2019 regular meeting.

Motion: Travis Neal
Second: Stephen Huntington
Vote: 3 for

- The board approved the payroll and other claims for September 2019.

Motion: Stephen Huntington
Second: Travis Neal
Vote: 3 for

- The board approved the Appropriation Reduction Resolution for the Rainy Day budget as presented.

Motion: Stephen Huntington
Second: Travis Neal
Vote: 3 for

- The board approved the FFA overnight trip on October 30 and November 1, 2019.

Motion: Travis Neal
Second: Stephen Huntington
Vote: 3 for

- The board approved the Girls basketball donation from Civista Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$2500.

Motion: Stephen Huntington
Second: Travis Neal
Vote: 3 for

- The board approved the proposed Highway Loading and Unloading Policy for our bus routes per I.C. 9-21-12-20.

Motion: Travis Neal
Second: Stephen Huntington
Vote: 3 for

- The board approved the anonymous monetary donations to be used for student lunch accounts.

Motion: Stephen Huntington
Second: Travis Neal
Vote: 3 for

● **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

Mr. Middleton has begun conversations again with Johnson and Melloh; Craig Martin and Johnny Budd regarding potential projects that were discussed last year. In meeting with the two gentleman, we resurfaced the topics and talked about having a representative come talk to us again from G.K. Baum on funding the initiatives. I have spoken with two other local superintendents that have used Johnson and Melloh and they raved about the professionalism and work that was done. I would like for the improvement board committee members to be at any upcoming meetings that we have to keep everyone aware of what we are doing or thinking of doing.

This year, we applied for the school safety grant that partially funds Mr. Goris' salary. We did not, however, receive any additional funds as we have in the past. This was the case across the state. We were going to use the remainder of the money on external upgraded cameras and phase 1 of the bullet-resistant glass. We are seeking more creative funding options at this time.

September 24th at 5:30 PM we will have our budget hearing in the elementary library.

We are in the process of finalizing enrollment numbers. At our current state, we are looking to be two below last year. I still see this as a positive as with past years we were seeing much higher declining numbers.

We have been in communication with the Southeastern Career Center about the possibility of renovating an SPV in hopes of turning it into a mobile entrepreneurial business. This will encourage teachers and students to take creative approaches of learning the Indiana standards and also how to run/operate a business from the ground up.

Elementary
Grandparents Night – This Thursday 5-7pm.

High School
September 21 – Girls Golf Sectional
October 3 – SCC Visit/WRBI Reality Check for 8th graders
October 4 -- end of nine weeks
October 7, 8, 12 – Soccer Sectional at JCD
October 12 – Cross Country Sectional
October 15, 17, 19 – Volleyball Sectional
October 16 – Parent Teacher Conferences
October 30 PSAT Testing

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

The Board members commented on how nice it is to be hearing positive things about the corporation. Everyone in attendance was in agreement with their comments on how glad we are to have Mr. Middleton, Mr. Unsicker and Mr. Whaley as our administration team and how everyone is looking forward to even more positive, creative and exciting possibilities they have in store for our students.

PATRON COMMENTS:

An elementary teacher gave kudos to Mr. Middleton about the possibility of renovating an SPV in hopes of turning it into a mobile entrepreneurial business. She also commended both Mr. Whaley and Mr. Unsicker for everything they are doing.

Jan Garbett informed the board that the Milan branch of the Osgood Library would be hosting a Holocaust event on September 28th from 10:00 – 11:00 and it is open to the adult community members, middle school and high school students. She strongly encourages everyone to attend. Jan thanked Mr. Jason Walke for all his efforts in trying to make sure that the JCD students would attend.

NEXT MEETING

- Budget Hearing meeting on Tuesday, September 24 at 5:30 in the Jac-Cen-Del Elementary Library.
- The next regular meeting of the Jac-Cen-Del School Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Jac-Cen-Del Elementary Library.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Travis Neal
Second: Stephen Huntington
Vote: 3 for