Jefferson School District

Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
October 13, 2015

Present: Pete Carlson, President; Debbie Wingo, Vice-president; Dan Wells, Clerk; Brian Jackman and Jacqueline Thomas, Members; Jim Bridges, Superintendent

In attendance: Mindy Maxedon, CBO; Nancie Castro, Dir. Of Human Resources and Curriculum; Angelica Thomas, Director of Special Education; Sarah Steen, Coordinator of Curriculum; Grace Merritt, Admin. Assistant; Christina Orsi, Alyssa Wooten, David Olson, Principals

I. OPEN SESSION
- a. Call to Order at 5:35 PM
- b. Roll Call to Establish Quorum – All present
- c. Approval of Agenda
- d. Public Hearing – No comments

MSA (Wells/Thomas) approve the agenda
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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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 (c)

f. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

II. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 6:30 PM
Welcome from Board President Carlson
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

In closed session –

- MSA (Jackman/Wells) approved the hiring of employees #11361, 11362, 11363, 11365, 11366, 11367, 11368, 11369, 11370; the job transfer of #11371; the resignation of 11372, 11373; and the retirement of 11734

Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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- Conference with district counsel on a legal matter.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Bridges had the pleasure of helping M.C. two college week rallies last month and enjoyed interacting with the students. During his visits to the classrooms he continues to be impressed with student work and instructional practices taking place. With the two construction projects nearing completion Alyssa Wooten, Mindy Maxedon and Sam Hagler and he are spending more time than usual working on final details of the projects.

Dr. Bridges would like to recognize our principals for their dedication and hard work as October is principal appreciation month.

III. PUBLIC HEARING – No comments

IV. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA
- 4.1 Minutes – Regular Board Meetings September 8, 2015
- 4.2 Warrants – September 2015
- 4.3 Financials – September 2015
- 4.4 RGM Associates Change Order Requests # 021, 029-R1 and 030 for Traina Gymnasium
- 4.5 Bid Award - Traina School Security Fencing Project
- 4.6 Bid Award – District Office Security Fencing Project

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4.7 Teachers College of San Joaquin Induction Memorandum of Understanding
MSA (Wingo/Jackman) approve the consent agenda
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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V. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

5.1 Student Body Reports – Natalie Hewey, Monticello student council president, provided her school's report. The current character pillar is respect and October is bully prevention month. There will be a school-wide poster contest and other activities. She passed out ribbons, which students also received, as a reminder to always treat others that way you want to be treated. Last Friday evening, students and families got together and watched Monsters University on the Monticello lawn. The annual Fun'd Run is this Friday. From October 26th to 30th, student will participate in red-ribbon week activities. The recycling program is back and serves as an example of how students give back to the community.

Alexandra Manzo, ASB president, gave the Hawkins School report. Hawkins had a flash donation for people affected by the Butte fire. There was such great participation that a second donation event was scheduled – a Halloween costume donation event. Student council planned and carried out the recent Fun Friday, for Kindergarten through fifth grade students, and the theme was carnival. Pajama jam is the next dance planned for November 6. Student council is also working with staff to help the school run more smoothly through programs like student council/staff traffic lines and recycling. Police officers and school officials greeted students and parents during the annual Walk to School day recently. She looks forward to 2015-16 being a great year.

Jefferson ASB President Cierra Spikes reported on her school's activities. Recent events include DJ music at lunch where students had a fun time singing and dancing. College week had great participation from all the grades, however eighth grade took the win in the spirit competition. She thanked Dr. Bridges for his assistance with the rally. Sixth graders returned from science camp and said it was memorable and fun. Coming up, students will participate in Red Ribbon Week activities to remind them to be drug free. The next dance is October 30 and is a Halloween theme. Students are encouraged to dress in costume.

Jabari Vaugh, Vice-president and Cassidy Hunter, secretary, from Traina ASB, gave a joint report from their site. The Kona Ice event was a big hit for students. Spirit day participation has been off the charts and each Thursday this month students wear pink in honor of breast cancer awareness. ASB will be selling Traina water bottles as a fundraiser. Auditions have concluded for the spring musical *Hairspray, Jr*. Starting afterschool clubs has been a topic of discussion so the constitution will be reviewed regarding this possibility. The annual walk-a-thon took place two weeks ago and was very successful.

5.2 Special Education Department Report – Director of Special Education Angelica Thomas introduced members of the special education department that were in attendance. Her presentation provided a reminder of what special education is and a district staffing snapshot.

She shared details of the special education focus which includes increased communication and collaboration, training of general and special education staff, and a focus on high expectations for all students. The district also partners with SJCOE, SELPA, VMRC and other contract agencies that supplement our staffing. Student data was presented by school, grade, disability categories, and placement.

Next steps and ongoing focus in special education will include communication and collaboration with staff and families, fiscally responsible program development, evaluate staffing needs, and systematic staff training and support.

5.3 Student Enrollment – Student enrollment is up slightly from last month.

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5.4 Revise Student BP & AR 5144.1, Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process – There was a first reading last month and no revisions requested by board members.
MSA (Wingo/ Thomas) approve BP and AR 5144.1, as presented
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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5.5 Jefferson Band Disneyland Trip – Amanda Gieseke, Jefferson Band director and Shawntai Robertson, Jefferson parent were introduced by Dr. Bridges. Current Board Policy 6153 precludes overnight trips unless approved by the board.

Ms. Gieseke proposed a three day, two night trip to Disneyland in March or April for her marching band students. Details of the proposal included charter bus quotes, hotel information, GPA and other qualifiers for students. This trip is optional for students and all eligible students will be allowed to participate regardless of the family's ability to contribute to the cost. Fundraisers will be planned. There is an application process with a response time of approximately eight weeks, but she requested board approval before she moves forward with the application.

Mrs. Robertson shared her experience as a chaperone of a Tracy High student that took the same Disneyland trip last year. She stressed the benefits to students and that safety was addressed thoroughly.

The board recognized the value of the trip and requested fingerprint clearance of overnight chaperones.
MSA (Wingo/Wells) approve the waiver of the board policy to allow for this trip
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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VI. PERSONNEL SERVICES

6.1 Job Description - District Nurse
MSA (Jackman/Wingo) approve the district nurse job description
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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6.2 Revise Certificated Management/Speech Language Pathologist/District Nurse Salary Schedule – The revision simply adds the nurse position to the salary schedule.
MSA (Wingo/Jackman) approve the revised salary schedule
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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VII. BUSINESS AND FACILTIES

7.1 Measure J Update – Pictures of the interior and exterior of Jefferson School and the Traina gymnasium were viewed. Both projects showed good progress.

The issue of the Jefferson School window error was discussed. There's been a solution reached and the windows are ordered and scheduled to be installed within a few weeks.

7.2 September 2015 Budget Adjustments
MSA (Wingo/Jackman) approve the September 2015 Budget Adjustments
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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7.3 Appointment of New Measure J Citizens' Oversight Committee Member
MSA (Wingo/Wells) approve the appointment of Angela Hewey to the Citizen's Oversight Committee
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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7.4 2014-2015 Jefferson School Structure Demolition – The buildings, structures and natural gas station demolished at the Jefferson site require board approval to be removed from the district asset listing.

The district CNG station was donated to the district and has not been cost effective over the years. Maintenance and repair costs were high. Most recently, busses are being fueled at a new fast fuel station in Lathrop. Research regarding a new station for CNG fueling and the pros and cons of diesel busses are being examined.
MSA (Wingo/Jackman) confirm the assets listed have been destroyed
Ayes - 5 Nays -0 Absent – 0 Abstain – 0
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7.5 Williams Act Quarterly Reporting – This was put on the agenda in error. It will come back next month.

VIII. BOARD DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

8.1 First Readings:
BP & AR 6145, Extra Curricular and Cocurricular Activities
AR 6145.2, Athletic Competition
BP & AR 3513.3, Tobacco-Free Schools, First Readings – Regarding the grade requirements to participate in extra- and cocurricular activities, there is an inconsistency between enforcement and what was in board policy for grades. Enforcement has been to include students in grades five through eight. The policy needs to be revised to include 5th and 6th grade. The Board would like a no F policy included.

8.2 Items For Next Board Meeting –
- Second readings of policies and regulations

IX. ADJOURNMENT - (Jackman/Thomas) 7:27 PM

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board

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