# JACKSON SCHOOL BOARD April 12, 2016 – 6:00 p.m. JACKSON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

1. The April 12, 2017 meeting of the Jackson School Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were: Dan Mahood, Jessica Della Valla, Genn Anzaldi, Jerry Dougherty and Keith Bradley. Also in attendance were Superintendent Kevin Richard, Principal Gayle Dembowski, Assistant Superintendent Kadie Wilson, and Director of Special Services Pam Stimpson.

## **Reorganization of Board**

- Election of Chairperson. Mr. Bradley nominated Mr. Dougherty, seconded by Ms. Anzaldi. Mr. Dougherty shared that he will happily assume the role of Chairperson, but he does have some agendas that he would like to drive the board toward. For example, he would like to see personnel changes more up front so that they have more time to discuss things. He will push an agenda where they will have a discussion on staffing long before they get to approving people. He's not sure that a chairperson should have or plan to drive an agenda. 4-0-1 (Dougherty) abstained.
- ➤ Election of Vice-Chairperson: Mr. Bradley nominated Ms. Anzaldi. Seconded by Mr. Mahood. **4-0-1 (Anzaldi) abstained.**
- > Set Meeting Dates and Time: agreed to continue meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 6pm.
- Adopt Rules of Order/Agenda Format: Motion: by Ms. Anzaldi, seconded by Mr. Bradley, to continue referencing Roberts' Rules as a framework for meetings. 5-0-0.
- Committee Assignments: Ms. Anzaldi and Ms. Della Valla will serve on the Budget Committee, will put the rest of the committees together as they move through the year.
- Signing of Manifests
- Board agrees that the Chairperson will continue to vote.
- 2. Approve Minutes (3-2-17)

**Motion**: by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mr. Dougherty to approve minutes from meeting of March 2, 2017. **3-0-2 (Anzaldi and Della Valla) abstained.** 

3. Citizen Comments:

Members of the Jackson Grammar School 6<sup>th</sup> grade gave an update on the pavilion project. They met with Kevin Bennett and he will come back to do measurements for setbacks once snow melts. They don't have to pay for a permit, they just need a School Board member to sign the application. They have also contacted two engineers and they plan to talk to the Whitney Center Committee on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Funding for timber is underway. Made pictures with Mr. Marshall. There is a possibility that this could be part of the Whitney Center. **Mr.** 

**Dougherty**: we don't have the building permit application to sign yet. We can authorize a board member to sign off on the permit on behalf of the School Board. But that person should understand that there is a process, and they will need to go to each School Board member individually before the next meeting to review the application. Involving the Whitney Center is a wonderful idea. **Motion**: by Ms. Anzaldi, seconded by Mr. Bradley that Jerry sign the building permit on behalf of the School Board. **Ms. Della Valla**: asked about a budget. **Kids**: timber to be donated. They also have \$1,300 that was a portion of the fundraising done through the skiathon. **Mr. Mahood**: asked about electrical work. **Kids**: it won't have electricity. **Audience member**: asked about what the total amount of the project. **Kids**: Mr. Marshall would have that answer. **5-0-0.** 

- 4. Presentation of School Programs/FYI ITEMS
  - A. SAU Other School Board Reports (oral report)
     Mr. Richard: SAU9 reorganization meeting will be on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.
- 5. Old Business
  - A. Preschool Committee: **Ms. Dembowski**: met with people from the church, had a great meeting establishing expectations and negotiated a bit around those. Meeting again at beginning of May to flesh things out more. **Mr. Dougherty**: at the very least we would want to see a contract of some sort before moving forward with anything. **Ms. Dembowski**: they are looking into that now that they've had a chance to talk.

#### 6. Instructional Issues

A. Consider Approval of 2017-20 Technology Plan Motion: by Mr. Dougherty, seconded by Ms. Anzaldi. Ms. Anzaldi: on page 7 overall, as we move forward, in school we have computers for all students, want to make sure that every student has something to use at home. Maybe 5 or 6<sup>th</sup> grades get home usage. Ms. **Dembowski**: does what she is thinking involve internet access as well? Ms. Anzaldi: she is not sure at this point. At home there are some families that do not have internet connectivity. Audience member: according to the pool of respondees there was 100% connectivity. We have reserves and the support of the school and taxpayers. Jerry: this is probably a discussion that can take place outside of the technology plan. Audience member: this is the fourth process of this sort, and the progression is striking. The review is useful. 15 years ago, this plan talked very specifically about personal computers, now it is much more than that. There is a parallel initiative. Each school district is going to deliver instruction in a fashion that is appropriate in their buildings, but to have agreed upon strategies on how to reach goals, and a lot of that is from

professional development.

5-0-0.

#### 7. Consider Personnel Actions

**Motion**: by Ms. Della Valla, seconded by Mr. Dougherty to enter nonpublic session. **5-0-0** 

Board entered nonpublic session at 6:29 p.m.

Board reentered public session at 6:45 p.m.

A. Accept Resignation of Jennifer King

Motion: by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Della Valla: 5-0-0.

B. Election of Amiee Murphy as Lead Counselor for the Summer Program: Motion: by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mr. Mahood.

0-3 opposed (Dougherty, Mahood, Della Valla)-2 abstained.

**Motion**: by Mr. Mahood, seconded by Ms. Anzaldi to enter nonpublic session. **5-0-0**.

Board entered nonpublic session at 6:47 p.m.

Board reentered public session at 7:00 p.m.

- C. FYI Appointment of Lesley Woodsum as Long-term Substitute Tutor
- D. Election of Personnel for 2017-18:

Motion: by Ms. Della Valla, seconded by Mr. Bradley. 5-0-0.

E. Extension of Principal's Contract: Motion: by Mr. Dougherty, seconded by Ms. Anzaldi, to not extend for the 2018-19 school year. Mr. Dougherty: the contract language needs to be changed before proceeding. Her contract goes through the 2017-18 school year, so they have time to revise it. The language is not sufficient. **5-0-0.** 

#### Business Affairs

- A. 2016-17 Budget Status Report (backup to follow)
- B. FYI Budget Transfer between Functions
- C. Signing of Bartlett/Jackson Tuition Contract (2017-20)
- D. Consider Approval of Food Service Agreement with Bartlett (2017-18) Motion: by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Della Valla. Mr. Bradley: asked if breakfast was offered. Ms. Dembowski: they do not offer breakfast as a part of the National School Lunch Program, but if a kid needs breakfast, they can usually come up with something. 5-0-0.
- E. Signing of Form MS-22 (Report of Appropriations Actually Voted)

### 9. Administrators' Reports

#### A. Superintendent

Schedule Personnel Committee Meeting
 Mr. Richard: would like to recognize the bus personnel and road

crew in Jackson. They have all done a really great job this winter, out late at night, and taking phone calls at 4am.

A personnel committee meeting needs to be scheduled as soon as possible. Jerry and Keith are on that committee, so he will coordinate with them. There is also a building update later on the agenda for that amount of money. Should have Facilities Committee meeting as well so they can talk about the \$10,000 check. There are a few different ways the Board can look at that money. They can't put it in the Capital Trust Fund, that is not allowable. They can act on it now or, every summer we talk about the 2.5% retention. Jackson typically does not do that retention. They could choose to retain \$10,500 so it gives them some time, or it goes to offset taxes.

- B. Principal: **Ms. Dembowski**: on 4/29, Chief Perley requested to use the school parking lot to do a drug collection. She said that would be fine. **Ms. Della Valla**: would like to commend Chief Perley and the officers that came in to talk about digital citizenship. **Ms. Dembowski**: today we had DAR essay writing. 5<sup>th</sup> grade winner was Molly Della Valla. Runner up Lilla Sinnett. Ben Dougherty was our 6<sup>th</sup> grade winner, and Jocey Anzaldi was the runner up. Two winners will go to the State dinner in May to be celebrated by the DAR. Nina Badger selected as Salutatorian at the high school. Tomorrow is final day of Circus Smirkus residency. It's been a wonderful experience. Offered people to come at 2:15 tomorrow to see what they've been working on.
- 10. Citizen Comments: none.
- 11. Board Member Issues -- Board Discussion/Committee Reports
  - A. Set Date for Next Meeting (May 15, 2017 6:00 p.m.) (Bartlett/Jackson Joint Boards meet on May 2, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in Bartlett)
  - B. Schedule Work Session: **Mr. Dougherty**: He and Jess worked with Kevin and Kadie to develop a framework for the work session. **Mr. Richard**: explained the framework. The clearer our path, the easier to chart our progress.

Board agreed to meet on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Dembowski will find a room for them to meet in.

**Ms. Della Valla** would love it if we can look at the mission and the vision ahead of time so that we are prepared at the meeting.

C. Building Update \$10,500 (so far) from Certainteed for Whitney Siding.

Mr. Dougherty: we'll be getting another check of the same amount at some point. He likes the thought of retaining the money. His concern is that the only way they can spend that money is for emergency purposes.

**Mr. Bradley**: he has concern with how tight their budget is currently. **Mr. Dougherty**: we need to replace the siding, and it's going to cost more than \$21,000 to begin with. **Mr. Richard**: suggested getting together with John Stokey and Jim Hill.

- 12. Signing of Manifest
- 13. Nonpublic Session RSA 91-A:3 II
  Board entered nonpublic session at 7:30 p.m.
  Adjourned from nonpublic.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer King Recording Secretary