

School Board Meeting Minutes
Jackson County Central Schools
ISD# 2895
July 27, 2026

The regular meeting of the School Board of Jackson County Central Public Schools was held on Monday, July 27, 2026, in the JCC High School Auditorium Conference Room at 5:30p.m.

Chair Hargan called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

JCC Mission Statement:

Uniting our communities to prepare learners to succeed in an ever-changing world ... Inspiring Excellence.

Members present: Rhonda Moore, Troy Schultz, Tina Polz, Levi Lucht, Ben Appel, Betty Hargan. Also Ex-Officio Superintendent Dr. Mike Neubeck, Business Manager Maria Bezdicek..

Other Visitors Present: Deidre Wierson, Cam Haaland, Brittany Bartholomaus, C. R. F., Rachel Haar, Justin Lessman - Media.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Lucht to approve the agenda as presented. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Informational Items:

1. Principal Report - High School, Middle School, Pleasantview, Riverside
2. [Business Manager's Report \(revenues and expenses\)](#) - Maria Bezdicek
3. Facilities/Grounds Director's Report - Drew Wedebrand
4. Activities Director's Report - Brett Bartholomaus
5. Food Service Director's Report - Randy Masad
6. [Community Education Coordinator's Report](#) - Jacqueline Knips
7. Positive Community Norms Coordinator's Report - Emma Thaemlitz
8. Preschool Director's Report
9. Director of Teaching and Learning/Curriculum - Angie Beckel
10. [Superintendent's Report](#) -Dr. Mike Neubeck
11. Committee Report

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by Appel to approve the consent agenda. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

1. Approval of minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting on [June 22, 2026.](#)
2. Approval of minutes from the Work Session Board Meeting on [July 13, 2026.](#)

3. Approval of the bills (Revenues: \$3,236,538.78 Expenses: [July board bills](#) \$304,590.62, [June Manuals](#) \$895,306.73, and June Net Payroll \$569,381.18)
4. Approve the resignation of [Susan Flatgard](#), Riverside paraprofessional
5. Approve the resignation of Rachel Hawn, Science teacher at the High School.

Unfinished Business:

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Schultz to approve the final reading and approval of the following policies: 102 - [Equal Educational Opportunity](#); 203 - [Operation of the School Board Governing Rules](#); 203.1 - [School Board Procedures: Rules of Order](#); 414 - [Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical Abuse](#); 415 - [Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults](#); 526 - [Hazing Prohibition](#). Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Business Action Items:

Motion was made by Moore and seconded Lucht to approve the following donations: \$1,160 from the girls basketball team for practice jerseys; \$750 from Jackson County Addiction Prevention Safety Coalition to the pool for swim lessons; \$50 from Jack Walsh Memorial for the Riverside Special Education Department; \$1,600 from Husky Foundation for MS volleyball jerseys; \$450 from Husky Foundation for pickleball equipment for the PE Department; \$825 from Husky Foundation for new volleyball cart; \$490 from MNLA Foundation for Garden Club tools. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Member Hargan introduced the [Resolution](#) and moved its adoption Relating To The Election of School Board Members and Calling The JCC School District General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. Roll Call Vote. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Appel, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by Schultz to Approve Resolution Relating To Approving A New Referendum Revenue Authorization And Calling a Special Election Thereon, including an increase of \$1,000 per pupil, for a total referendum revenue authorization of \$1,460 per pupil. Roll Call Vote. Members voting yes: Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, Polz, Moore, and Appel. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Polz to Approve Resolution Relating To General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A; Stating Official Intent To Proceed With And Authorizing The Issuance And Sale Thereof; And Providing For Credit Enhancement With Respect Thereto, with the flexibility of up to \$1,000,000 if needed. Roll Call Vote: Members Voting yes: Appel. Members voting no: Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, Polz, and Moore. Motion failed.

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Moore to approve the [2026 Fall coaches list](#). Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Appel to approve hiring the following staff: Rhilynn Zebe as Administrative Assistant at the High School; Brenna Dycus as Administrative Assistant at the High School; Perry Flatgard as Head Custodian at the Middle School; Chantell Iverson as a Para at the Middle School; Bradley Haugen as Math Teacher at the High School; Jess Christensen as Custodian at Riverside. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Lucht to approve the 2026-2028 Contract for Maria Bezdicek, Business Manager. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Schultz to the approval of supporting an amendment to MSHSL regarding biology-based eligibility. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by Polz to approve to move to closed session to discuss Superintendent end-of-year evaluation as per Minn. Stat. 13D.05, Subd. 3(a) at 6:21p.m. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Lucht moved to enter into the closed session. Schultz seconded the motion. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Appel moved to resume the public meeting. Polz seconded the motion. Motion carried. The public meeting resumed at 7:15p.m. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Appel to adjourn the meeting at 7:15p.m. Members voting yes: Moore, Appel, Polz, Lucht, Schultz, and Hargan. Members voting no: None. Motion carried

Betty Hargan, Chair

Rhonda Moore, Clerk