

School Board meeting Minutes  
Jackson County Central Schools  
ISD# 2895  
September 25, 2023

The regular meeting of the School Board of Jackson County Central Public Schools was held on Monday, September 25, 2023, in the JCC High School Auditorium Conference Room and 1200 W University Ave. Mitchell, SD 7301.

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

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Members present: Rhonda Moore, Troy Schultz, Tina Polz, Amy Voss (via zoom unable to vote), Jody Thrush Withers, Levi Lucht and Ben Appel. Also Ex-Officio Superintendent Barry Schmidt, Business Manager Maria Bezdicek, and Building & Grounds Director Drew Wedebrand. Others present: Principals Mark Matuksa, Chris Naumann, Director of Curriculum and Assessments Tammy Timko, Preschool Director Amber Lessman, District Office Clerk Rachel Haar, and other media Justin Lessman.

Other Visitors Present: Brenda Wenzel

Motion was made by Appel second by Thrush Withers to approve the agenda as presented. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Informational Items:

1. [Superintendent's Report](#) - Barry Schmidt
2. Principal's Report - [High School](#), [Middle School](#), [Pleasantview](#), [Riverside](#)
3. [Business Manager's Report \(revenues and expenses\)](#) - Maria Bezdicek
4. [Facilities/Grounds Director's Report](#) - Drew Wedebrand
5. [Activities Director's Report](#) - Mary Boyum
6. Food Service Director's Report - Kari Rubitschung
7. Community Education Director's Report - Kortney Nesseth
8. [Positive Community Norms Coordinator Report](#) - Gina Sinn
9. [Preschool Director's Report](#) - Amber Lessman
10. [Director of Curriculum & Assessment Report](#) , [MCA/MTAS & ACT Data](#) - Tammy Timko
11. Committee Reports
  - a. Finance - No report
  - b. Negotiations - Working on contract language

#### Approval of consent agenda

1. Approve minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting on [August 28, 2023](#).
2. Approval of minutes from the Work Session Board Meeting on [September 11, 2023](#).
3. Approval of the bills (Revenues: \$2,564,524.19, Expenses: [September board bills](#) \$172,580.05, [August manuals](#) \$1,359,797.22, and August Net Payroll \$414,155.15)
4. Approve [donation of \\$500](#) from Dr. Ronald Kline in memory of his daughter, Laura, to JCC Pep Band instrument rental.
5. Approve the resignation of [Tracy Felker](#), paraprofessional at Riverside.
6. Approve the resignation of Sharon Koveliski, assistant head cook at the High School.

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

**Business Action Items:**

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Thrush Withers to approve certifying proposed 2023 payable 2024 property tax levy at maximum. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Appel to approve the School Resource Officer Agreement between Jackson County Sheriff's Office and Jackson County Central Schools. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Polz to approve the Telemedicine policy for the use of web based telemedicine services to students within the Jackson County Central School District. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Lucht to approve hiring Michelle Wargula as an administrative assistant at the High School. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Polz to approve hiring Darci Thurmer as part time PBIS/MTSS Student Support Specialist. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Lucht to approve hiring Selena Hanson as a paraprofessional at the High School. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Polz to approve hiring Sarah Presthus as a paraprofessional at the preschool at Pleasantview. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Lucht to approve hiring Lyn Krul as a cashier/food service assistant at Riverside. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Polz to approve hiring Sue Lusk as a cashier/food service assistant at the High School. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Schultz to approve hiring Emily Fothergill as a paraprofessional at Riverside. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Appel to approve hiring Kris Peterson as a paraprofessional at Middle School. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Lucht to approve hiring Florencia Ramos as a paraprofessional at Riverside. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Thrush Withers to approve hiring April Wolfert as a food service assistant at the Middle School. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Thrush Withers to approve hiring Jessi Roberts as assistant Head Cook at Riverside. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Thrush Withers to approve motion to move to closed session to discuss Negotiations Strategies as per Minn. Stat. 13D.03 at 6:01p.m. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Wherein the meeting enters closed session at 6:32p.m.  
Public meeting resumes at 6:35p.m.

**New Business:**

First Reading of the following policies that are required annually and/or updated to reflect MN laws enacted in 2023.

504 - [Student Appearance](#) (Current) [MSBA Changes to Policy](#)

506 - [Student Discipline, 506-22F, 506FRM-A, 506FRM-B](#) (Current, Required Annually) [MSBA Changes to Policy](#)

516 - [Student Medication](#) (Current) [MSBA Changes to Policy](#)

516.6 - [Overdose Medication](#) (Current) [MSBA Changes to Policy](#)

722 - [Public Data Requests](#) (Current, Required Annually) [MSBA Changes to Policy](#)

806 - [Crisis Management Policy](#) (Current, Required Annually) [MSBA Changes to Policy](#)

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Lucht to adjourn the meeting at 6:38p.m. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: none. Motion carried unanimously.

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Rhonda Moore, Chair

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Troy Schultz, Clerk