

School Board Meeting Minutes
Jackson County Central Schools
ISD# 2895
November 24, 2025

The regular meeting of the School Board of Jackson County Central Public Schools was held on Monday, November 24, 2025, in the JCC High School Auditorium Conference Room at 5:30p.m

Chair Polz called the meeting to order at 5:31p.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, Corey Hanson. Also Ex-Officio Interim Superintendent Dr. Mike Neubeck, Others present: Principals Mark Matuska, Amber Lessman, Director of Teaching and Learning/Curriculum Angie Beckel

Other Visitors Present: Emily Anderson, Edith Gates, Brook Hanson, Justin Lessman-Media, Students of the Month and Families.

Recognition of visitors to board meeting

Members of the audience who wish to address the Board will be recognized at this time as per the protocol posted. Members of the audience are reminded that this is a meeting of the Board of Education to conduct the business of the school district in public. Anyone wishing to address an issue not on the agenda is to contact the Supt. or Board Chair in advance of the meeting.

Public Comment

Members of the audience who wish to address the Board without notifying the board will be limited to 3 minutes of speaking time. The Board will allow a maximum of 15 total minutes of public comment.

Board Meeting Postponement

In the event that the board meeting needs to be postponed due to inclement weather, it will be rescheduled for the following day at the same time and location, unless otherwise noted.

Approve agenda as presented.

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

Informational Items:

1. Principal's Report - [High School](#), [Middle School](#), [Pleasantview](#), [Riverside](#)
2. [Superintendent's Report](#) - Dr. Mike Neubeck

3. [Business Manager's Report](#) (revenues and expenses) - Maria Bezdicek
4. Facilities/Grounds Director's Report - Drew Wedebrand
5. [Activities Director's Report](#) - Brett Bartholomaeus
6. Food Service Director's Report - Randy Masad
7. Community Education Coordinator's Report - Kortney Nesseth
8. Positive Community Norms Coordinator's Report - Emma Thaemlitz
9. Preschool Director's Report -
10. [Director of Teaching and Learning/Curriculum](#) - Angie Beckel
11. Committee Reports

Approval of consent agenda

1. Approval of minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting on [October 27, 2025](#)
2. Approval of minutes from the Canvassing/Work Session of the School Board on [November 10, 2025](#)
3. Approval of the bills (Revenues:\$2,045,754.56 Expenses: [November board bills](#) \$284,688.41, [October Manuals](#) \$954,071.49, and October Net Payroll \$629,493.38).

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

Business Action Items:

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Appel to approve the following donations: \$123.75 from Dan Johnson Memorial Fund for practice facility fees for varsity football; \$17,861.39 from Remick Foundation for classroom translation technology; \$50 from Focused Law Firm to JCC Robotics; \$200 from Ziegler to JCC Robotics; \$1,538 from JCC Ed Foundation for cameras; \$486.84 from JCC Ed Foundation for Developmental Adaptive Physical Education; \$259.30 from JCC Ed Department for a sensory light box; \$169 from JCC Ed Foundation for stretching bands for elementary music; \$376 from JCC Ed Foundation for Fitness Equipment for Riverside Elementary PE; \$500 from JCC Ed Foundation for speech therapy materials; \$282.95 from JCC Ed Foundation for math tools for building (AG); \$479.85 from JCC Ed Foundation for Argument Driven Inquiry Resources (HS Science); \$1,500 from JCC Ed Foundation for ultrafit circuit yoga pack; \$100 from Bank Midwest to JCC Robotics; \$200 from Warmka Towing to JCC Robotics; \$500 from Polaris Industries to JCC Robotics; \$5,000 from TMobile Friday Night Lights Ward to JCC Football Team; \$250 from Jill Hinsperger to the Middle School Library; \$282 from JCC Volleyball Association; \$1,215.76 from the Rasmussen Family for Cheerleader's hotel rooms; \$1,548.87 from JCC Music Boosters for a new band folio cabinet; \$445 from the JCC Girls Basketball Association to cover costs for youth balls;\$100 to JCC Robotics form Boekett Building Supply; \$50 from Kathy Johnson to the MS Student Council for the no tardies challenge Members voting yes: Moore, Hanson, Appel, Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, and Polz. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by Lucht to approve the [FY 2026-2027 School Calendar](#). Members voting yes: Moore, Hanson, Appel, Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, and Polz. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Lucht to approve the [certified staff seniority list](#) for the 25-26 school year. Members voting yes: Moore, Hanson, Appel, Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, and Polz. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by Hanson to approve the following new hires: Laura Simpson - Paraprofessional at Riverside; Amanda Weihe - 1.0 FTE Math Teacher at the High School starting Second Semester; Dustin Pronk - 7th grade boys basketball coach. Members voting yes: Moore, Hanson, Appel, Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, and Polz. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Motion was made by Moore and seconded by Appel to approve the final reading and approval of the following policies. Members voting yes: Moore, Hanson, Appel, Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, and Polz. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

- 516 - [Student Medication and Telehealth](#) - Current
- 516 - [Student Medication and Telehealth](#) - Replace wording
- 524 - [Internet, Technology, and Cell Phone Acceptable Use and Safety Policy](#) - Current
- 524 - [Internet, Technology, and Cell Phone Acceptable Use and Safety Policy](#) - Note Added
- 534 - [School Meals Policy](#) - Current
- 534 - [School Meals Policy](#) - JCC Policy with changes
- 602 - [Organization of School Calendar and School Day](#) - Current
- 602 - [Organization of School Calendar and School Day](#) - Labor Day Start
- 621 - [Literacy And The Read Act](#) - Current
- 621 - [Literacy And The Read Act](#) - Changes to Literacy Aid Uses

New Business:

First reading of the following policies:

- 707 - [Transportation of Public School Students](#) - Current
- 707 - [Transportation of Public School Students](#) - Students with Disabilities
- 709 - [Student Transportation Safety](#) - Current
- 709 - [Student Transportation Safety](#) - Oct. Revision - removes "handicapping condition"
- 802 - [Disposition of Obsolete Equipment Added](#) - Current
- 802 - [Disposition of Obsolete Equipment Added](#) - Surplus books provision added
- 417 - [Chemical Use and Abuse](#) - Current
- 417 - [Chemical Use and Abuse](#) - Removes duplicate phrases in Art. IV.c.2; updates a Cross Ref.
- 507.5- [School Resource Officers](#) - Current
- 507.5 - [School Resource Officers](#) - Adds Resources

Business Action Items (Continued)

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Appel to approve motion to move to closed session to discuss Negotiations Strategies as per Minn. Stat. 13D.03 at 5:59 p.m. Members voting yes: Moore, Hanson, Appel, Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, and Polz. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Wherein the meeting enters closed session at 5:59p.m.

Public meeting resumes at 6:42p.m.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:43p.m. Members voting yes: Moore, Hanson, Appel, Hargan, Lucht, Schultz, and Polz. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Tina Polz

Rhonda Moore, Clerk