

School Board Meeting Minutes
 Jackson County Central Schools
 ISD# 2895
 January 9, 2022

The Jackson County Central School Board held their reorganizational meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 5:30p.m. in the JCC High School Auditorium Conference Room.

Chair Moore called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members present: Rhonda Moore, Troy Schultz, Tina Polz, Amy Voss, Jody Thrush Withers, Levi Lucht and Ben Appel. Also Ex-Officio Superintendent Barry Schmidt. Others present: Principal Keri Bergeson, and media Justin Lessman.

Oath of Office by elected Board Members

Certificate of Elections

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Polz to approve the agenda as presented.

Reorganizational Items:

Motion was made by Voss and seconded by Appel to elect Rhonda Moore to the Chair position for the 2023 year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair assumed position and continued the election.

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Thrush Withers to elect Thrush Withers to the Vice-Chair position for the 2023 year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Schultz to elect Schultz to the Clerk position for the 2023 year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Voss, Lucht, Moore. Members abstained: Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Voss to elect Voss to the Treasurer's position for the 2023 year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Polz to approve school board committee assignments for 2023 as follows:

Committee Name	Current # of Members	Change in #	Names of Members
Non-Academic (Activities Council)	3		Amy Voss, Troy Schultz, Rhonda Moore
Budget/Finance	3	+1	Jody Thrush Withers, Levi Lucht, Rhonda Moore
Community Education/Wellness	2		Amy Voss, Tina Polz
Education Foundation	2		Ben Appel, Troy Schultz
Facilities	3		Troy Schultz, Jody Thrush Withers, Ben Appel
Health & Safety	2		Levi Lucht, Ben Appel
Legislative/MSHSL Rep	1		Rhonda Moore
Meet and Confer	2		Jody Thrush Withers, Tina Polz
Negotiations	3		Jody Thrush Withers, Tina Polz, Rhonda Moore
Pool Board	2		Amy Voss, Levi Lucht
District Leadership Team	2	+1	Amy Voss, Tina Polz

Wellness	2		Amy Voss, Levi Lucht
Project Oversight Committee	3		Jody Thrush Withers, Troy Schultz, Ben Appel

ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Appel to approve setting 2023 Board Work Session dates and times in the High School Auditorium Conference Room for the second Monday of each month at 5:30p.m. January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14, September 11, October 9, November 13, December 4, 2023.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Polz to approve setting 2023 Board Board Meeting dates and times in the High School Auditorium Conference Room for the fourth Monday of each month at 5:30p.m. January 23, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 22, June 26, July 24, August 28, September 25, October 23, November 27, December 18, 2023.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Voss and seconded by Thrush Withers to approve [Roberts Rules of Order](#) as the method for conducting meetings. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Appel to approve the destination of the Jackson County Pilot and the Lakefield Standard as the School District's official newspaper. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Voss to approve the designation of the following banks as depositories of school funds and authorize the Superintendent and business manager to sign release agreements for pledged securities for collateral purposes, including electronic transfers. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Bank Name	Location
1st National Bank	Lakefield
Bank of the West	Lakefield
Bank Midwest	Jackson
Farmers and Merchants State Bank	Alpha
Leading Edge	Jackson
Jackson Federal & Savings Loan Association	Jackson
Minnesota Liquid Asset Fund	
Security State Bank	Jackson

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Appel to approve signing facsimile signature to sign checks. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Lucht to approve authorizing payment of bills between board meetings for the purpose of obtaining a discount or required prepayment on an order, or to avoid penalty charges, pay registration. Also, approve authorizing the district to pay board bills in the event a board meeting is not held. Approve authorizing the superintendent and business manager to approve the processing of payments for invoices submitted under contracts approved by the Board and under circumstances when it is deemed necessary and appropriate to proceed with a payment. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Voss to approve the designation of the Superintendent of Schools as Custodian of Records. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Lucht to approve 2023 Board member compensation.

Regular Board Meeting	\$55	
Regular Board Meeting - Chair and Clerk	\$65	
Committee Meeting	\$55	
All Day In-Service & Workshops	\$85	

ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Voss to approve the designation of Kevin Rupp of Rupp, Anderson, Squires, & Waldspurger, as the school district's legal counsel and approve Board Chair, Superintendent, and Business Manager as persons authorized to contact legal counsel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Voss to approve directing the administration to make recommendations for reductions in programs and staff. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Appel to approve the current IRS Rate of \$.655 per mile as the mileage reimbursement rate effective January 1, 2023. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Voss to approve the resignation of [Jacqueline Knips](#), Community Ed Director. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Informational items:

Alyssa Anderson inquired on behalf of the City of Lakefield, pool, and recreation board regarding taking down three dead trees that are between city and school property at the ballfields. There would be no cost to the school. The School Board gave their permission to go ahead with the removal.

Superintendent Board Information

[New School Board Member Briefing](#)

[School Board Protocols](#)

[Code of Ethics](#)

Other: Mrs. Bergeson, High School Principal, asked the board if they would make an exception regarding policy 533 Wellness Section D, not allowing food or beverages to be brought into the school to serve a meal, for the 9th grade World's Fair project. Because this is part of a class and is for educational purposes the board agreed to make an exception.

Discussed having the second readings of the policies under unfinished business to be moved back to the first reading to give new members the opportunity to read through them before approval..

Unfinished Business:

Second reading of the following policies.

606 - [Textbooks and Instructional Materials](#) (Current) [Suggested Abbreviation Changes](#)

607 - [Organization of Grade Levels](#) (Current) [Suggested Abbreviation Changes](#)

608 - [Instructional Services](#) (Current) [Suggested Abbreviation Changes](#)

608.1 - [Special Education Services-Caseloads](#) (Current)

609 - [Religion](#) (Current) [Suggested Changes](#)

Motion was made by Voss and seconded by Lucht to adjourn at 6:49p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Members present voting yes: Appel, Polz, Thrush Withers, Schultz, Voss, Lucht and Moore. Members voting no: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Rhonda Moore, Chair

Troy Schultz, Clerk