## BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES July 27, 2023

The Board of Education of the Johnston City Community Unit School District No. 1 met at a regular Board meeting held on July 27, 2023 with Closed Session beginning at 6:30 p.m. and Regular Session beginning at 7:06 p.m. at the Unit Office, 1113 Grand Avenue, Johnston City, IL. President Chris Cullum called the meeting to order and asked the clerk for the attendance roll call.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chad Barras, Jimmy Dean, John Etherton, Randy McIntosh, John Van, and

Chris Cullum

Absent: Patti Martin

Motion made by Jimmy Dean and seconded by John Etherton to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:

- A. Approval of the Regular and Closed Session Minutes of the 6/29/23 Regular Meeting and the Regular and Closed Session Minutes of the 7/11/23 Special Meeting
- B. Approve Destruction of Closed Session tapes listed below in Accordance with
- C. 5 ILCS 120/2.6c 1/21/21, 2/18/21, 3/23/21 (special meeting), 3/25/21, 4/15/21, 4/29/21 (special meeting), 5/20/21, and 6/24/21
- D. Approval of Treasurer's Report
- E. Approval of Bills for Payment
- F. Reaffirm Serious Safety Hazard Areas for Transportation

Voting Aye: Barras, Dean, Etherton, McIntosh, Van, and Cullum Motion Carried

Jim Siefert, Hurst-Rosche, provided construction project updates to the Board. The Jefferson School Phase 1 reconstruction is almost complete. Two rooms have been completed and the other 2 rooms should be completed Monday. The rooms are tentatively scheduled to be turned over to the District on Tuesday. The silt fence that was installed to prevent washout at the Jefferson School Parking Lot Project did not hold. The fence is being repaired.

Motion made by Chad Barras and seconded by John Etherton to adopt the IASB PRESS Policy Updates as presented.

Voting Aye: Barras, Dean, Etherton, Van, and Cullum

Abstaining: McIntosh

**Motion Carried** 

Motion made by Jimmy Dean and seconded by John Etherton to adopt the Return to School Plan as presented.

Voting Aye: Barras, Dean, Etherton, McIntosh, Van, and Cullum Motion Carried

Motion made by John Etherton and seconded by Chad Barras to accept the bid on the surplus wooden hutch from Pam Nichelson in the amount of \$20.00.

Voting Aye: Barras, Dean, Etherton, McIntosh, Van, and Cullum Motion Carried

Motion made by Jimmy Dean and seconded by John Van to approve the Middle School Dance Team out of state trip to Busch Stadium in St. Louis, MO on August 8, 2023.

Voting Aye: Barras, Dean, Etherton, McIntosh, Van, and Cullum Motion Carried

Motion made by Jimmy Dean and seconded by Randy McIntosh to accept the resignations of Blake Dobraski as a Middle School Social Studies Teacher and Scholar Bowl Sponsor, Lindsay Arnold as a Washington School ESSA Aide, Rosa Moulton as a Washington School Crossing Guard, Jennifer Crider as the Jefferson School Parent Liaison; to employ Dr. Mike Smith Part-Time Music Teacher for up to 120 days, Carrie Williford Middle School Social Studies Teacher, Bridgett Ray Jefferson School Parent Liaison, Melissa Fiedler Art Club Sponsor, Saeward Cross County Head Coach, Lenny Clark Paid Golf Assistant Coach, Lex Glasco as Paid Assistant Football Coach, Riley Hearn and Shawn Plumlee as Paid Assistant Football Coaches (stipend split 50/50 between them), Travis Brown as a Paid Assistant Coach (40% stipend), Tiffany Dobraski Middle School Scholar Bowl Sponsor, Casey Sanders-Buckman Middle School Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach, April Horning to be employed as the 5th and 6th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach and to post Middle School English Language Arts Teacher, Washington School ESSA Aide, and Washington School Crossing Guard positions.

Voting Aye: Barras, Dean, Etherton, McIntosh, Van, and Cullum Motion Carried

Motion made by John Etherton and seconded by Randy McIntosh to approve non-certified staff \$1.00 per hour raise.

Voting Aye: Dean, Etherton, McIntosh, Van, and Cullum

Abstaining: Barras

**Motion Carried** 

Mrs. Clark updated the Board that the insurance payment paperwork has been received for Jefferson School. The insurance payment will cover \$335,000 of the project.

Mrs. Clark informed the Board the District originally received approval for 264 Chromebooks the ECF Grant, but was notified that our request to modify our application has now been approved for a total of 415 Chromebooks. The ECF Grant had previously allowed the District to provide hotspots for students.

Mrs. Clark commended the principals for all of their hard work.

Mrs. Clark informed the Board that the Johnston City UPC will be hosting a back to school rally on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. and there will be an open house at the new District Office with a meet and greet with new teachers on Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

A special meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm.

Motion made Randy McIntosh and seconded by Chad Barras to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Voting Aye: Barras, Dean, Etherton, McIntosh, Van, and Cullum		
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President, Chris Cullum		Secretary, John Etherton
	Clerk of the	Board, Kim Grant