



Jefferson County School District 509-J

Monday, March 13, 2023

2022-2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Regular Session (7:00pm)

Hybrid: In-person and Electronic Meeting via Zoom

MEETING LOCATION:

Warm Springs K-8 Academy, 50 Chukar Road, Warm Springs 97761

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Meeting ID: 856 9704 6731 Passcode: 471769

2022-2023 Board of Directors:

Chair Kevin Richards, Vice-Chair Courtney Snead, Jamie Hurd, Laurie Danzuka, Jacob Struck

REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Chair Kevin Richards, Vice-Chair Courtney Snead, Laurie Danzuka and Jacob Struck

ABSENT: Jamie Hurd

REGULAR SESSION/ CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ATTENDANCE

Board Chair Kevin Richards called the meeting to order at 7:06pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Secretary accounted for board member attendance.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Laurie Danzuka moved to adopt the agenda as presented; motion passed unanimously – **Approved 4/0.**

INFORMATION / PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS / COMMUNICATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

Student Spotlight

Superintendent Jay Mathisen introduced students Dasan Begay and Kahmussa Destiny Rain Green and said the student spotlight and the Native Language teacher spotlight will be combined.

Dasan Begay and Kahmussa Destiny Rain Green answered questions presented by Superintendent Mathisen. He asked the students how they would talk to other students about the valuable opportunity of being in the Native Language program at the high school. He also asked them to share their experiences of participating in the class; what the class is like and gave them the opportunity to recognize their teachers.

Native Language Teacher Spotlight *(combined with the student spotlight)*

Dasan Begay and Kahmussa Destiny Rain Green shared their appreciation and respect for the teachers of the Native Language program and answered a few questions from board members. The students welcomed and encouraged board members to attend/observe one of the Native Language classes.

Chair Richards thanked the students for taking the time this evening to participate in the spotlights.

Student Representative Report

Yael Carlon gave the student representative report – he informed the board about boys basketball, girls basketball, swim team, the town hall meeting when Senator Ron Wyden spoke at the Madras Performing Arts Center. He shared that Senator Wyden gave a shout out to the Key Club for their services and granted the club officers a U.S. flag that had flown over the capital. He shared a brief summary of the Oregon Supreme Court oral arguments from March 9, 2023, the spring sports update and some upcoming events.

Enrollment Report Update - 03/01/2023

Superintendent Mathisen referred to page 21 of the board packet and explained the enrollment report summarized, we are ahead by 26 students since this time last year.

Facilities Update / Safety Measures and Investments

Operations Director Simon White presented a facilities update providing information on safety and security, and the Bond project updates. He provided an additional handout to board members and explained about the secure vestibules.

Board Chair Richards asked if the board had any questions. There were no questions were presented from the board.

Simon also offered a report on the School Resource Officers (SROs) and referred to Superintendent Mathisen for the details. Superintendent Mathisen shared about the work in process with agreements for the SROs and the district's partnership with the City of Madras, Jefferson County and Warm Springs.

Chair Richards thanked Superintendent Mathisen and Simon White for their work.

National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE) Recap

Superintendent Mathisen shared that the NABE conference took place in Portland this year. Weather issues that affected attendance in-person; some staff chose to attend remotely; he shared that the Native Language, Culture of Care program were honored during a workshop at NABE and he asked Laurie Danzuka to share her thoughts or additional information about the conference.

Laurie Danzuka explained about the NABE conference, the focus on how to bring Native Language into the schools. She explained the program's importance, and the importance of having partnerships in support of the program in our district, to include financial support. Warm Springs had the opportunity to share their work during the all-day pre-conference, and it

was a good celebration to see what other tribes are working on, and suggestions of how to support each other in the efforts.

Board Chair Richards proceeded to the public comment period on the agenda.

HEARING OF CITIZENS / DELEGATIONS / PUBLIC COMMENT [2-OPTIONS]

OPTION 1: Each person wishing to speak will have signed in at the beginning of the meeting to be recognized. The 509-J Board of Directors reserves this time for citizens to share comments or concerns. Because time is limited, as a standard practice, as a courtesy to others, and to maintain our meeting schedule, guests will be allotted three minutes to speak. If you have a group attending regarding the same topic, you will need to appoint one speaker. The Chair has authority to keep order and impose any reasonable restrictions necessary to conduct an efficient meeting. The Board reserves the right to delay discussion on any item presented until later in the meeting or at a subsequent meeting. Objective criticism of operations and programs may be heard, but no complaints concerning specific personnel, the visitor will be directed to the appropriate means for filing complaints as necessary.

OPTION 2: Jefferson County School District 509-J will accept public comment in writing prior to the meeting. Written comments must be received online (via the comment link on the agenda) by **1:00 pm [the date of the board meeting]** and may be read during the public comment section of the meeting. Comments or complaints regarding specific people or personnel WILL NOT be accepted, please refer to the district complaint policy.

Signed up to Speak under Option 1:

There were two sign-ups under option1, at the meeting:

[In-person, from sign-in sheet - No notes or formal written comment submitted to the board secretary; therefore, the following is a brief summary of the topics shared as a public comment during the meeting]:

1. Charlene Dimmick, with students Kahmussa Green and Uiahna Allen shared about the Native American Student Union (NASU); they are actively recruiting students to be a part of the union that works to maintain the cultural values while pursuing their educational goals. It was also shared, that there would be a Pow Wow, June 2, 2023 at MHS; during the Pow Wow, they will honor their graduates. The board is encouraged to attend.

2. Lorien Scott shared briefly about the education committee and thanked the board for their partnership. She also shared on behalf of another parent on the behavior of students and young coaches at a recent state event in which they respectfully represented Madras. They received congratulations comments from a coach from Baker - thanking the young coaches for their leadership and the respectful manner of the team. This was shared with the board, to express appreciation and make them aware of the positive way Madras was represented by our students and staff.

There were no comments submitted under option 2 – written comments via the online option.

Board Chair Richards thanked the community members for their comments and proceeded to the action items on the agenda.

ACTION ITEMS

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Board Minutes of **February 13, 2023**
- Personnel Action
- Resolution #23-09, Misc. Grants & Donations
- Resolution #23-14, Resolution to Declare Surplus Property
- SolutionYES/TIAA Lease Agreement
- Financial Report

Vice-Chair Courtney Snead motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented; motion passed unanimously – **Approved 4/0.**

2. JCSD 509J RENEWALS, NON-RENEWALS, EXTENSION & NON-EXTENSIONS OF CONTRACTS

Superintendent Mathisen explained the JCSD 509J renewals, non-renewals, extension & non-extensions of contracts – report required by the state in March.

Jacob Struck made a motion to approve the JCSD 509J renewals, non-renewals, extension & non-extensions of contracts; motion passed unanimously – **Approved 4/0.**

3. SECURE VESTIBULES AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED

Laurie Danzuka motioned to approve to proceed with the secure vestibules as presented; motion passed unanimously – **Approved 4/0.**

4. PROMISE SCHOLARSHIPS (\$3K) – SELECTION OF TWO JCSD 509J BOARD MEMBERS FOR SELECTION COMMITTEE

Laurie Danzuka expressed an interest in being on the Promise Scholarship selection committee. Discussion took place.

Courtney Snead made a motion to nominate/approve Directors Laurie Danzuka and Jamie Hurd for the 2022-2023 Promise Scholarship selection committee; motion passed unanimously - **Approved 4/0.**

BOARD & SUPERINTENDENT HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights Shared

- Attending events and seeing the community backing our students.
- Legislative update.
- Celebrations with Kindergarteners – so fun to see them so excited, celebrating.
- Two Playoff games at the High School, seeing staff there in support.
- Oregon Battle of the Books was great.
- WSK8 Read Across America – read with second graders, encouraged to see students engaged and eager to learn.
- HS Girls playoff games.
- Thank you to Principal Lonnie Henderson and Assistant Principal Gena Bennett for hosting the board meeting this evening – we are aware of the extra work and time involved.

Book Study [Pivot] - summarized comments:

- Kevin Richards - thought provoking, how quickly things change. A generation ago. The type of skills our students will need to thrive, more a demand for leadership, be able to adapt and pivot.
- Laurie Danzuka – The importance of the path we lay out... the paths are not the same for all students. Not always college as a career path... Direction of education has changed.
- Jacob Struck – Partnerships with family and schools – not just one or the other – it is a partnership. Pivotal areas, encouraging gratitude – kids have gratitude, also providing elective choices.
- Courtney Snead – Gratitude. She recognizes that 90% of the work force at the aquatic center are youth – teaching them how to pivot is important. How they react in the moment. When they think about what they want to say or do and how we get that into the mind of our students. How can we “operationalize” that, and marry the real life piece.
- Jay Mathisen – recognizing the arch of their life and how they credit one of their teachers or coaches.

REMINDERS MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- **March 16, 2023** - Last day for district candidates to file declaration or petition for May election.
- Next Board Leadership (9am) – **Tuesday, April 4, 2023 (Kevin & Courtney)**
- Budget Committee Work Session **@SSB – Monday, April 10, 2023 @5:30PM**
- Regular Session Meeting **@SSB – Monday, April 10, 2023 @7:00PM**
- First Budget Committee Meeting **@SSB – Monday, May 8, 2023 @5:30PM**
- **May 16, 2023** – Election Day.

Important Note: Dates, times and locations of the events listed are subject to change with little or no notice, please check the JCSD 509J website for school board, individual school and performing arts center information on the various events scheduled throughout our district: <https://www.jcsd.k12.or.us/>

MEETING CLOSURE/ADJOURNED

With no further business, Board Chair Richards adjourned the meeting at **8:22PM**.

**Draft to Board for approval at next meeting,
Monday, April 10, 2023**

Tessa Bailey, Executive Assistant

Board Chair Kevin Richards

Superintendent Jay Mathisen

Date

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