

JEFFERSON LOCAL SCHOOLS
Special Meeting
June 23, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

West Jefferson, Ohio High School, the Jefferson Local Board of Education met in special session at 5:57 pm with the following members present: Mr. Quinn, Dr. Hiss, Mrs. Duemmel, Ms. Newman, Superintendent, Mr. Mullett, and Treasurer, Mr. Ingles.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Mullett led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP DISCUSSION – MR. ADAMS PRESENTOR

Mr. Adams provided the Board with a packet of information and discussed the logistics of restarting the 8th grade trip to Washington DC.

GOALS: SUPERINTENDENT/TREASURER

Mr. Mullett and Mr. Ingles discussed the progress they had on their goals. The Board liked the quarterly newsletter and would like to see it out in the community. It would also like to see more participation from the buildings.

Mr. Mullett discussed his review of Norwood Elementary. He is pleased with the academic performance. The staff expressed concerns about technology. Mr. Mullett noted that the enrollment numbers are dropping at the building, leading to excess capacity.

Mr. Mullett discussed the facility and capital needs at the buildings. Mr. Hiss put together a document outlining the needs and estimated costs.

Mr. Ingles discussed the implementation of technology in the district. He explained the differences between AESOP and SCView. The use of technology to streamline the payment of extracurricular contracts was discussed. It is an item that Mr. Ingles said was possible using SCView. Mr. Dennis will be asked for options for making board packets more digital.

The Board will provide a summary of their feelings toward the goals. New goals will be discussed at an upcoming work session. A goal next year may be researching and recommending changes to administrative compensation.

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2022-2023 DISCUSSION

Open enrollment is down to 55 students K-12. Mr. Ingles explained how open enrollment is treated under the new state funding formula. There is no financial incentive to increase open enrollment under the formula. Enrollment will need to be monitored next year and further discussions held as to staffing and facility needs.

FOLLOW-UP ON LIFEWISE PRESENTATION

The Board expressed concerns about the program. Specifically, liability issues and how it can fit in with the school day. There are also concerns about how it can open up a can of worms for other groups wanting similar treatment.

KELCEY MOORE REASSIGNMENT/SPECIAL EDUCATION SUPPORT DISCUSSION

The need for special education clerical help was discussed and how Mrs. Moore can fit into the role. There is a possibility of an opening at Norwood that would complicate matters. It was explained that this is not a new position but falls under the current secretary classification. The need to have the role be permanent will be discussed once data is collected and how it can fit with the overall staffing picture of the District.

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Mr. Mullett discussed the upcoming levy.

Mr. Ingles discussed the late reimbursement payment for food service that will be processed in July. Due to arriving after the fiscal year end the Board would need to approve an advance from the General Fund to cover the food service fund deficit. The Board will take action on Monday June 27 before interviewing candidates for the Board vacancy.

Dr. Hiss noted that the first reading of a policy change to allow for the use of consent agendas will be on the July 11 Board meeting agenda. Mr. Ingles previously provided a draft of the policy and examples of a consent agenda.

Digital board packets were mentioned as something the Board would like to move toward. Mr. Dennis will be asked to explore options.

The kindergarten technology request was discussed. Mr. Mullett noted that was a building level issue.

The use of subs was discussed. Mr. Mullett noted that the District has the discretion to use whomever they wish on the substitute list.

Licensure requirements for administrative positions was discussed. The Board would like more communication on qualifications and licensure requirements before voting on positions going forward.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ms. Newman and seconded by Mr. Quinn that the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm.

The ayes: Ms. Newman, Mrs. Duemmel, Dr. Hiss, Mr. Quinn.

Meeting adjourned

Note: The interview of Board Member candidates has been set for Monday, June 27, at 6:30 pm in the central office.

President

Treasurer