

Jackson Center Local Schools - Board of Education:
Regular Meeting: Monday, March 17th, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

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Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.

The Jackson Center Local Board of Education met on Monday, March 17th, 2025 for a regular monthly meeting with the following members present: Mr. Matt Kohler, Mrs. Kristine Mullenhour, Mrs. Julie DeVine and Mr. Jeff Morris. Mr. Brad Wren was unable to attend.

Minutes from the regular monthly meetings on February 17th, 2025 - Res. #25-026

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. DeVine seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the February 17th regular monthly meeting. Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Recognition of visitors and public participation

In attendance was staff member Calli Opperman.

Consideration for Approval – Accept a \$7613.00 donation from EMI Corp.– Res. #25-027

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. DeVine seconded a motion to accept a donation from local company, EMI Corp., in the amount of \$7613.00. The Board and Administration thanked EMI for their many donations over the years. Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for Approval – Accept a \$2000.00 donation from the Weddle Family.– Res. #25-028

Mrs. Mullenhour moved and Mrs. DeVine seconded a motion to accept a donation from the John and Michelle Weddle family in the amount of \$2000.00 for use by the Arts & Drama Dept. The Board and Administration noted the many times the Weddle family has provided financial support for the school and the arts and thanked them for this generosity. Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for Approval – Accept a \$1000.00 donation from the family of Norman Klopfenstein.– Res. #25-029

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion to accept a donation from the family of Norman Klopfenstein in the wake of his recent passing and in recognition of his unwavering support of Jackson Center Schools. The Board thanked the Klopfenstein extended family for their thoughtful donation and are working on plans to put the donation to use in some student activities. Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for Approval – Permission for 6th grade overnight field trip to Camp Willson (4/28-4/30/25). - Res. #25-030

Mrs. DeVine motioned and Mr. Kohler seconded a motion to approve the yearly overnight field trip taken by 6th graders to Camp Willson near Bellefontaine. The trip consists of daily outdoor activities and the students and chaperones stay 2 nights on site. Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for Approval – Treasurer's finance report – Res. #25-031

Mr. Morris moved and Mrs. DeVine seconded a motion approving the financial report as presented. Revenues continue to outpace expenditures for the year while the process of approving the state biennial budget has begun and several iterations of the impact to schools are expected over the coming months. Approval by the Governor must be by the end of June. Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Reports & Superintendent informational items:

PreK-5 Principal Heuker provided a summary which highlighted the state testing that is coming up in April, work being done on the new PreK-5 reading series, 'Wonders', and Pre-K screening scheduled for Thu., April 17th. 6-12 Principal Reese reported on the success of the STEM day organized between the Science Dept. and PTO and that the musical, 'Freaky Friday,' had 4 tremendous showings on 3/13-3/16. He also reported that a mock crash will be hosted on April 9th. Superintendent Reichert provided updated cost estimates on a number of potential projects, including replacing carpet in in the 2003 addition, a new tractor, new track/soccer bleachers, baseball/softball field work, graphics in the Tiger Athletic Center (TAC) and a rendering for additional parking completed by Choice One Engineering.

Consideration for approval – Enter executive session to discuss the employment personnel – Res. #25-032

Mr. Kohler motioned and Mrs. DeVine seconded a motion to enter into executive session. Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried. The board entered executive session at 7:25pm and re-entered the regular meeting at 8:05pm.

Consider for approval – Certified ataff – Res. #25-033

Mr. Kohler motioned and Mr. Morris seconded a motion to approve supplemental contracts:

- Allison McClurg Guidance Counselor ('25'26 School Year)

Roll call 4-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for Approval – Authorization of Superintendent to hire part time seasonal maintenance workers – Res. #25-034

Mrs. DeVine motioned and Mr. Kohler seconded a motion authorizing the Superintendent to hire part time seasonal maintenance workers. Roll call – 4-0 Motion Carried

Consider for approval – Approve pupil activity contract – Res. #25-035

Mrs. Mullenhour motioned and Mr. Kohler seconded a motion to approve the following pupil activity contracts provided all coaching requirements are completed:

- Morgan Huber Part Time Asst. Track Coach

Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for Approval – Approve miscellaneous project expenditures – Res. #25-036

Mr. Morris moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion approving the expenditures required for the completion of the following projects:

- Replacement of deteriorating carpet, mainly in the 2003 building
- Purchase of a new tractor for grounds maintenance, including snow removal
- Purchase of bleachers equipped with a press box for the track/soccer facility.

Roll call – 4-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Morris moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion to adjourn. Meeting ended at 8:50 Roll call - 4-0. Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting: April 21st, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.

President

Treasurer