

Jackson Center Local Schools - Board of Education:
Regular Meeting: Monday, Oct. 18th, 2021 – 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, October 18th, 2021 for a regular meeting with the following members present: Mr. Brad Wren, Mr. Dana Ware, Mr. Matt Kohler, Mrs. Kristen Davis & Mrs. Kristine Mullenhour.

Consideration for Approval - Minutes from the Regular Meeting on September 20th, 2021. - Res. #21-102

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. Davis seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the September 20th, Regular meeting. Roll call – 5-0. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors and Public Participation

Staff member Amanda Barhorst and resident Julie Devine were in attendance.

Consideration for Approval – Accept \$100 donation from Master Swaging for the Music and Arts Programs – Res. #21-103

Mrs. Mullenhour moved and Mr. Wren seconded a motion to accept a donation from local company, Master Swaging, for the Music and Arts programs. This board expressed its' appreciation for this annual donation. Roll call – 5-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for Approval – Treasurer's Finance Report - Res. #21-104

Mr. Ware moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion approving the financial report as presented. Health & Dental insurance rate renewal discussions will occur in October and a smaller percentage increase is expected. In order to proactively stay ahead of these ongoing cost trends, the Board expressed its' interest in the study two-tiered, wellness achievement plans, multiple family size plan programs as well as plans where spouses take insurance at their own place of employment when available. Roll call – 5-0. Motion carried.

Consideration for approval – 5 Year Forecast – Res. #21-105

A draft of the 5 year forecast due to the State of Ohio by the end of November was reviewed and agreed to wait another month for additional trending before approval. Motion Tabled

Consideration for Approval - Executive Session - Res. #21-106

Mrs. Mullenhour moved and Mr. Kohler seconded a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the employment of public employees. Roll call – 5-0. Motion carried. The Board entered into executive session at 7:47 p.m. and re-entered the regular meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Reports & Information Items

Superintendent Reichert and principals shared initial results of the recently released state report card. The principals reported that “grades” would not be given in the individual categories like years past, but using the formulas provided by the state, they were able to calculate many of the scores. They believe that district would earn a “C” in achievement and growth which means that the tested students were showing one year’s growth, collectively. The principals noted that the achievement scores actually improved from the 2019 scores while the overwhelming majority of schools across the state saw a dramatic decrease in the scores of their students. They attributed that success to being in school every day last year while many students across the state learned remotely.

Mr. Reichert shared that the district is seeking and utilizing federal grant money to perform large scale projects such as improving staff and student technology, expanding the existing camera systems, upgrading the bus fleet and replacing the roof on the older parts of the building. All project are in progress.

Mr. Kohler moved and Mrs. Mullenhour seconded a motion to adjourn. Meeting ended at 8:30. Roll call - 5-0. Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, November 15th, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.

President

Treasurer