

# JASPER-TROUPSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Regular Meeting

Members Present –

Administration -

Michael A. Mead, Superintendent  
Christopher D. Parker, 7-12 Principal  
LeeAnne C. Jordan, Elementary Principal

Keith Kraus, President  
Jodi M. VanGorden, Vice President  
Andrew Butler-Absent  
Chad C. Groff  
Amy Aldrich  
Jason Hayes  
Andrew Cornell-Absent

Others –

Melinda S Morgan, District Clerk  
Gay Fairbrother, Interim School Business Administrator  
Bob Cornish

The meeting was held at the elementary school building and called to order by the President, Keith Kraus at 6:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was done.

*AGENDA CHANGES:* None

*PUBLIC PARTICIPATION* –None

*COMMUNICATIONS* –None

*PRESENTATION BY DR. TERRY HOFER, WESTED*

*CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:*

A motion was made by Jodi VanGorden seconded by Chad Groff and carried to approve the consent agenda items.

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

*CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES:*

A motion was made by Chad Groff seconded by Jodi VanGorden and carried to approve the following consent agenda items for minutes:

- Minutes of the December 11, 2019 Board meeting
- Minutes of the December 11, 2019 Executive session

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

*CONSENT AGENDA: FINANCE:*

A motion was made by Jodi VanGorden seconded by Amy Aldrich and carried to approve the following consent agenda items for finance:

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- Approval of Warrants

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

## *CONSENT AGENDA: PERSONNEL:*

A motion was made by Amy Aldrich seconded by Jason Hayes and carried to approve the following consent agenda items for personnel:

### Resolution:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the Board of Education approves the following as a substitute teacher:

- Ms. Julieanne Sullivan

### Resolution:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the Board of Education approves the probationary appointment of Mrs. Sierra J. McCaig in the tenure area of Elementary Education for the probationary period of February 10, 2020 –February 9, 2024.

### Resolution:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the Board of Education approves the following rates for support staff substitutes, retroactively effective January 1, 2020, in compliance with the minimum wage legislation, unless otherwise superseded by the support staff contract:

- School Bus Monitors \$11.80 per hour
- All other Support Staff Substitutes \$11.80 per hour

### Resolution:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the Board of Education approves the following per diem rates for substitute teachers based upon a 7.5 hour work day, retroactively effective January 1, 2020, in compliance with the minimum wage effective January 1, 2020, in compliance with the minimum wage legislation, unless otherwise superseded by the teachers' contract:

- Uncertified teacher substitutes: \$88.50
- NYS certified teacher substitutes: \$95.00
- Extended NYS certified teacher substitutes:
  - Days 1-5: \$95.00
  - Days 6-30: \$98.00
  - Days 31+: 1/200<sup>th</sup> of starting salary Step 1

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

## *CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION ITEMS:*

A motion was made by Jodi VanGorden seconded by Amy Aldrich and carried to approve the following consent agenda items for action:

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- Approval of GST BOCES Cost Allocation Methodology for 2020-21

Resolution:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the Board of Education approves the GST BOCES Cost Allocation Methodology for 2020-21.

- Approval of the IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate

Resolution:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the Board of Education approves the District mileage reimbursement rate at the new 2020 IRS Mileage Rate of \$0.575 per mile, retroactively effective January 1, 2020.

- Approval for a Change Order from John Mills Electric-For elementary school elevator repairs for an amount not to exceed \$12,018.10, retroactively effective December 24, 2019.

Resolution:

Based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it resolved that the Board of Education approves a change order from John Mills Electric for elementary school elevator repairs for an amount not to exceed \$12,018.10, retroactively effective December 24, 2019.

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

## *DISCUSSION ITEMS:*

### *ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:*

- Mrs. Jordan stated that the 6<sup>th</sup> grade author's celebration was held on December 19 with over 90% of parents attending. Students shared their recently published book and enjoyed milk and cookies with their families. At the "It's All Fun and Games" get together on January 6, the teachers explored the new Breakout Edu resource. On January 9, the faculty members will receive 2.5 hours of Leader in Me "Creating Culture" training with Matt Miller. On Friday, WETM will be in the elementary building to video our classes reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. These recordings will be featured in the upcoming weeks on the WETM daily pledge segment. AIMSweb Plus Benchmarking will take place the week of January 20. NWEA Map testing will take place the week of January 27. During the first week of February 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, grade ELA teachers will have an in-house workshop to create formative assessments of the ELA and Math Focus Standards for use with students in Wti. The annual "We Love Thinking Maps" celebration will be held on Wednesday, February 12. This year's theme is "Thinking Maps Make our Hearts Glow." January 23<sup>th</sup> is the next Leader in Me meeting.
- Mr. Parker reported that he met with Terry Hofer from WestEd on January 7, 2020. He will hold department meetings next week with discussions revolving around student achievement. On January 16 and 17, 2020 faculty will do WestEd work with Melissa

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Strand. Regent exams will be held on January 21 – January 24, 2020. The second marking period ends on January 24, 2020. Report cards will be sent home on January 31, 2020. January 30, 2020 will be the parent meeting on the Seven Habits. The week of February 3, 2020 will be the iReady second testing window.

- Mrs. Fairbrother stated that the ST3 is finalized pending final auditor's report. She is working on the bank reconciliations for the current year. She is starting the budget review and the bus fleet review.

## *REVIEW OF OLD ITEMS OR ITEMS TO ADD:*

- Capital Project-Change orders

*PUBLIC FOLLOW-UP* –The district needs to attract participation for the open house and parent teacher's conferences. It was suggested to expand and increase the school website. A possible Facebook page, with read only input, was also discussed.

A motion was made by Jodi VanGorden seconded by Amy Aldrich and carried to leave the regular meeting and go into executive session for CPSE, CSE and 504 recommendations at 7:53 pm.

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

A motion was made by Jason Hayes seconded by Chad Groff and carried to leave the executive session for CPSE, CSE, and 504 recommendations and return to the regular meeting at 7:57 pm.

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

A motion was made by Amy Aldrich seconded by Jodi VanGorden and carried to leave the regular meeting and go into executive session, subject to Board approval, for Personnel and Negotiations to Discuss the Employment History of Specific Personnel for Matters Leading to the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal and/or Removal of Specific Personnel at 7:57 pm.

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

A motion was made by Jason Hayes seconded by Chad Groff and carried to leave the executive session, subject to Board approval, for Personnel and Negotiations to Discuss the Employment History of Specific Personnel for Matters Leading to the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal and/or Removal of Specific Personnel and return to the regular meeting at 8:46 pm.

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

A motion was made by Jodi VanGorden seconded by Amy Aldrich and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 pm.

The vote was 5-yes, 0-no.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Melinda S Morgan*

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District Clerk*