

Jefferson Elementary School District

Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Trustees October 15, 2024

<input type="checkbox"/> Pete Carlson President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debbie Wingo Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soyeb Palya Clerk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brian Jackman Trustee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Todd Wetherell Trustee
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Bridges Superintendent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily Stroup Director, Human Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Esabel Corrie Chief Business Officer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Edelmira Escoto Administrative Assistant	

I. OPEN SESSION

- 1.1 Call to Order at 5:42 PM
- 1.2 Roll Call to Establish Quorum – Four (4) Present
- 1.3 Approval of Agenda

Motion:	Brian Jackman	Second:	Todd Wetherell
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0
Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

- 1.4 Public Comment on Closed Session Items
- 1.5 Closed Session - Adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing matters expressly authorized by Government Codes 3549.1, 54956.7, 54956.8, 54956.9, 54956.95, 54957, 54957.8, Education Codes 49079(c), 48912, 48918
- 1.6 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT/DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE/RESIGNATION
Certificated # 12309
Classified # 12310, 12311, 12312, 12313, 12314, 12315, 12316, 12317, 12318

Motion:	Brian Jackman	Second:	Todd Wetherell
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0
Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

1.7 Student 2024-10-08

Roll Call Vote was taken with all four (4) board members in attendance voting AYES.

1. Debbie Wingo Voted Aye
2. Soyeb Palya Voted Aye
3. Todd Wetherell Voted Aye
4. Brian Jackman Voted Aye

Motion:	Brian Jackman	Second:	Todd Wetherell
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0
Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

1.8 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

II. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 6:31 PM

- 2.1 Welcome and Closed Session Report
- 2.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 2.3 Superintendent's Report
- 2.4 Student Body Reports

2.1 Welcome and Closed Session Report

- The board **Approved** the Agenda in section 1.3 above.
- The board **Approved** the Personnel Actions in section 1.6 above.
- The board **Approved** Student 2024-10-08 in section 1.7 above.

2.3 Superintendent's Report

Construction

Corral Hollow Elementary School had additional parking lot stripping completed over break, additional furniture delivered, a series of artistic colts installed running through the main breezeway, security cameras, and blinds are in production for the windows. For Tracy Hills School Site #2, CDE approval is in process, PJHM continues to work on the construction documents, and we are bringing the CEQA documents tonight. For Franklyn Cole Elementary we continue to work with DTSC and the water board to get a no further action notice and for Lennar to fill in the detention basin. Once both of these are completed, we will be able to provide an updated construction timeline.

Rodger Traina Golf Tournament

I would like to thank Pete Carson, Todd Wetherell, form board member Phil Raya and their families for hosting the inaugural Rodger Train Gold Tournament benefiting Tracy High School Scholarships in his name and the Jefferson School District. It was a great afternoon and evening and I was amazed by the support from the Tracy Community.

Health Wellness/Student Engagement

Steve Abercrombie in partnership with TUSD are hosting a vaping presentation for parents and staff members. The evening for parents is being held tomorrow night from 6:30 to 7:30 at the Grand Theatre.

I want to thank Debbie Wingo, Soyeb Palya, Scott Andrews, and Emily Stroup for conducting some classroom walkthroughs at our sites yesterday. We look forward to visiting some more classrooms throughout the year. Finally, I would like to thank Pete Carlson and Debbie Wingo for attending the SJCOE School Board Dinner last night with me. It was a great night celebrating all of the hard work and dedication of the school board members in San Joaquin County.

2.4 Student Body Reports

Jefferson School

Ariana Martinez, ASB President

Jefferson's MJPFA had its annual Carnival fundraiser on September 13th. It was a very successful event for Monticello and Jefferson. It was a well-attended event for students and families. The dunk tank with Mr. Strickland and Dr. Bridges was very popular. Jefferson's 6th Graders attended Science Camp for five (5) days engaging in hands-on learning, exploring nature and friendships before the Fall Break. The Fall Break provided a much needed rest for staff and students. This week we will have the Spelling Bee final where students can showcase their language skills. Our upcoming dance theme is "Decades" allowing students to dress up in different eras and styles. Auditions for our Spring Musical have started and we are excited to see the talent and enthusiasm. Cross-Country is gearing up for their finals this week. We are looking forward to the start of Boys Basketball. The introduction of co-ed Soccer is an exciting development. The volleyball season progresses. We greatly appreciate and comment the hard working efforts of our student athletes.

Corral Hollow School**Trisha Dasgupta, ASB President**

Corral Hollow Cross-Country players will be going to the championship on October 16, 2024. Our four (4) students who won CHES Spelling Bee will be competing on October 23, 2024 at the District. We also had three (3) volleyball games so far with another today. We have also had after-school chess this week. Red Ribbon Week is just around the corner and it's nice to see kids show their kindness though all the fun Spirit Days.

Tom Hawkins School**Arman Sharma, ASB President**

Hawkins had its first Husky Rally. Hawkins hosted Movie Night with "Inside Out" viewed for the evening. Hawkins also had Twin Day and Anything But A Backpack Day. Plus Hawkins students participated in Breast Cancer Awareness by wearing pink. Next, the 5th graders have begun the D.A.R.E Program with Officer Brown. Husky's Cross-Country championship is coming up with athletes playing their hearts out. We have boys basketball and co-ed soccer coming up. Hawkins's first dance this week for 6th – 8th graders. Hawkins is starting a drama club and are excited to give students more after-school opportunities.

Monticello School**Robert Hepler, ASB President**

Monticello had its Annual School Carnival... it was very successful. All the students had a great time and especially loved dunking Mr. Strickland and Dr. Bridges. It was very successful with an estimate of over \$30,000 raised. On September 23rd we had Parent Teacher conferences. Our school also had Pink Day to show support for Breast Cancer Awareness on Friday, October 4th. Fourth Graders competed in a Spelling Bee with winners competing at the District Spelling Bee on October 23rd. Our Cross-Country team has had great success leading up to the championships. ASB meeting talked about future events....Red Ribbon Week begins October 28th. Our Halloween Parade will be on October 31st with parents invited.

Anthony Traina School**Olivia Pietrzykowski, ASB President**

Traina held it ASB Elections before the Fall Break. Traina had an Extreme Traina Pride Day. Students wore on Tuesday Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness month and on Thursday Black for Anti-Bullying. October 26th will be ASB's Tim Burton's themed Trunk-O-Treat with 8th graders volunteering for the event. Red Ribbon week is planned with a variety of themes all week with our Halloween Parade.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bhaskar**Parent**

Bought a home in Ellis Community. Ellis School's initial opening was 2021 and it is now 2024. Feels local school would reduce pick-up time which is taking 2 hrs/day for drop-off and pick-up. Feels a local school would allow for walking for drop-offs and pick-ups. Important for safety and security is an issue for drop-offs & pick-ups. Please speed up construction and what is causing delays for Ellis School project. Would like more clarity.

Morukurti Krisuna**Parent**

Last year we had a detailed update for the Ellis School. We would like another update. We would like more transparency to the Ellis Community. Traffic is terrible and a new school would reduce that. Please let us know issues for delays and reasons for stoppage. Is it school district or builder?

Mandar Raje**Parent**

Last year we had update for delays from Dr. Bridges. We have reached out to City Hall which blames our Developer for delays. We recently asked the city for update and our Developer who says agreement is between JESD and Ellis Developer. We are getting a run-a-round. Ask the Board to resolve these matters

to move project forward. We need Board to act in the best interest of the community.

Narendzy

Parent

The same issue mentioned before, Ellis School. Monticello is the closest school to Ellis, but it has over 800 families. I am jumping schools every year.

Raj

Parent

Moved here in 2021 with promise of school...it is now 2024. Last year received email that project is pushed out until 2027. Would like to know who is the coordinator? Who is communicating updates? How many communications and responses from start too now. I struggle with drop-offs and pick-ups at Monticello and Tom Hawkins. COVID allowed to work from home but now it is more difficult to get children to school. Hopes that kids could walk to school.

Maruti Surikuchi

Parent

Ellis Community is plagued by developer, city and builder delays. We were promised a school at the time I bought my home. My concern is why buy land and not develop it. We don't get help from the builder. We feel that action will come from the school. Please help us.

Madhusudhan Egswaraiah

Parent

Wanted to add a different perspective. My drop-off every day begins at 7:45 am, I hit traffic with a minimum 45 minutes one way. I spend 1.5 hrs/day and quality time is wasted. It would be 5/10 minute walk if school was in our community. Walking would enhance my health being able to walk to the school. I am spending 8 hours per week just to get my kid to their school. I am spending a lot of time taking children to school. I commute to Cisco and have to adjust my work schedule. Please consider this issue as everybody's concern. I see another community and see needs growing. You will always be catching up and the needs of the community will not be satisfied.

Venu Reddymatta

Parent

Moved here in 2018 with a school planned in the Ellis community. I was told school would be done by 2021. I was told delays were due to city and developer. I implore you guys to move the project further.

Rachel Arredondo

Secretary/HPFC

My issue is over PFC sponsored events. Last year we had a movie selected for our Fall Festival at Hawkins School but were told we could not show it. We were also forced to remove decorations for Dia De Los Muertos cultural event. This cancellation was frustrating to our board and volunteers as both events were cancelled. After meeting with Dr. Bridges for reasons for cancellations, we did not have time to schedule other events. The distinction between cultural and religious events were defined. This year another school was allowed to show the same movie we were denied. Why was that school allowed to show the same movie and we weren't? Would like clear and equitable guidelines for all PFCs. Please share clear guidelines with current and incoming PFC members.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – Regular Board – September 10, 2024

4.2 Warrants – September 2024

4.3 Syntex Global Interpreter Services Contract 2024-2025

4.4 Inspira Health, LLC Agreement for Special Contract Services 2024-2025

4.5 Boys and Girls Club Agreement for Special Contract Services 2024-2025

4.6 Summa Academy Master Contract 2024-2025

4.7 CodeWithUs, Inc. Quote 2024-2025

4.8 McGraw Hill Textbook Purchase 2024-2025

Motion:	Todd Wetherell		Second:	Soyeb Palya		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent: 1

V. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

5.1 Student Enrollment – Dr. Bridges reported enrollment is currently down a few students, but has increased 200 plus students Year-To-Date.

5.2 Resolution No. 2024-09-02: Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

Motion:	Soyeb Palya		Second:	Brian Jackman		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent: 1

5.3 Student Assessment Results

Scott Andrews presented the CAASPP data to the board.

5.4 English Learner Report/Plan

Scott Andrews presented language learners data to the board. Scott identified five (5) working goals and implementing programs to achieve those goals.

Debbie Wingo asked do we require test to highlight interaction on web-based testing?

Scott Andrews reported that test scores increased with exposure to web-testing.

Todd Wetherell asked why Traina and Hawkins scores were low?

Scott Andrews reported that is due to new teacher needs and both are Title I schools.

5.5 Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan Guide

This is regarding the Boys and Girls Club that is being updated to include Corral Hollow School.

Motion:	Soyeb Palya		Second:	Todd Wetherell		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent: 1

5.6 San Joaquin County SELPA Community Advisory Committee (Application)

Motion:	Todd Wetherell		Second:	Brian Jackman		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent: 1

5.7 Williams Act Uniform Complaint Quarterly Report – October 15, 2024

Motion:	Brian Jackman		Second:	Todd Wetherell		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent: 1

5.8 MOU – Data Sharing Agreement between JESD-SJCOE

Motion:	Soyeb Palya		Second:	Todd Wetherell		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent: 1

VI. PERSONNEL SERVICES

6.1 MOU - California State University, Stanislaus (John DeMarco)

Motion:	Todd Wetherell		Second:	Brian Jackman		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent: 1

VII. BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

7.1 Request for Purchase of Two (2) New Buses to Accommodate Increasing Enrollment

Esabel Corrie, CBO, reported increased student enrollment and bussing needs as justification for purchase of two diesel busses. Bus #1 is an 84 passenger bus and Bus #2 is 19 passenger bus to add to the Fleet in the Transportation Department.

Todd Wetherell asked what the cost was for the busses?

Esabel Corrie reported that the 84 passenger was \$288,000 and the 19 passenger was \$128,000.

Dr. Bridge reported that electric busses were not an option due to JESD not being eligible for reduced rates and the following factors; 1) Infrastructure cost, battery cost replacement is half the cost of the bus, student safety due to battery fires.

Motion:	Todd Wetherell				Second:	Brian Jackman		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1	

7.2 Proposal to Hire a School Resource Officer (SRO)

Motion:		Brian Jackman		Second:		Todd Wetherell	
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

7.3 Resolution No. 2024-10-01, Tracy Hills Elementary School No. 2 Addendum

Motion:		Soyeb Palya		Second:		Todd Wetherell	
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

7.4 CHES Change Order No. 7

Motion:		Brian Jackman		Second:		Todd Wetherell	
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

VIII. BOARD DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

8.1 BP 0510: School Accountability Report Card

Motion:		Soyeb Palya		Second:		Brian Jackman	
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.2 BP 1114: District-Sponsored Social Media

Accessibility to disabilities on the website was addressed.

Dr. Bridges reported that there is a new website being created that will address this issue.

Motion:	Soyeb Palya			Second:	Brian Jackman		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.3 BP 4040: Employee Use of Technology

Motion:	Soyeb Palya			Second:	Brian Jackman		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.4 BP 5144.1: Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process

Motion:		Soyeb Palya		Second:		Brian Jackman	
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.5 BP 5147: Dropout Prevention

Motion:		Soyeb Palya		Second:		Brian Jackman	
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.6 BP 6112: School Day

Item 8.6 pulled for the next meeting to allow review of language on recess.

8.7 BP 6163.4: Student Use of Technology

Motion:	Soyeb Palya			Second:	Brian Jackman		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.8 BB 9010: Public Statements

Motion:		Soyeb Palya		Second:		Brian Jackman	
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.9 BB 9012: Board Member Electronic Communications

Motion:	Soyeb Palya		Second:	Brian Jackman			
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

8.10 Items for Next Board Meeting

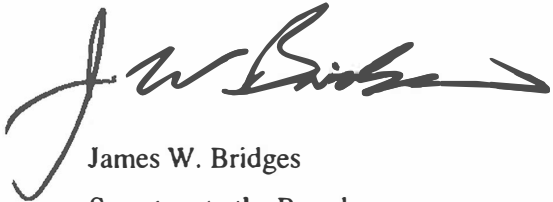
IX. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

November 11, 2024 – Veteran’s Day.....No School
November 12, 2024 – Regular Board Meeting.....Next Meetings
November 25-29, 2024 – Holiday Break.....No School

X. ADJOURNMENT – 7:44 PM

Motion:	Soyeb Palya			Second:	Todd Wetherell		
Ayes:	4	Nays:	0	Abstain:	0	Absent:	1

Respectfully submitted,



James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board