Jefferson School District

Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Of the Board of Trustees
October 17, 2023

Present: Brian Jackman, President; Debbie Wingo, clerk; Todd Wetherell, member; Jim Bridges, Superintendent

In attendance: Emily Stroup, Director of Human Resources; Celli Coeville, Chief Business Officer; Bertha Ramon, Administrative Assistant

I. OPEN SESSION

a. Call to Order at 5:47 PM
b. Roll Call to Establish Quorum – Pete Carlson & Soyeb Palya Absent
c. Approval of Agenda
d. Public Comment on Closed Session Items
MSA (Wingo/Wetherell) – Approve the agenda as presented
Ayes – 3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Jackman
Wingo, Wetherell

e. Closed Session Adjourn to Closed Session to discuss 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

f. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

II. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 6:30 PM

Welcome from the Board President- Brian Jackman
Pledge of Allegiance
Superintendent's Report
Student Body Reports

In Closed Session

MSA (Wetherell/Wingo) - Approved the JUUL Settlement Agreement as presented
Ayes – 3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Jackman
Wingo, Wetherell

MSA (Wingo/Wetherell) - Approved personnel action for certificated employee #'s 12723,12724,12725,12726,12727,12728,12729,12730,12731,12732 The Board also approved the personnel action for classified employee #'s 12733,12734,12735,12736,12737,12738,12739,12740,12741,12742,12743,12744,12745
Ayes – 3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Jackman
Wingo, Wetherell

Superintendent's Report – Jim Bridges
Busing Update-
I'm pleased to announce that we have not had to cancel a single bus route for the entire year.

Construction-
Corral Hollow Elementary School remains on track for an August 2024 opening. The driveway,

parking lot, and playground surfaces will be completed this weekend. Many classroom buildings have wall covering up, cabinets and whiteboards installed, and ceiling tiles will go in shortly. There has been considerable progress on the administration building, gymnasium, library, and food services.

Student Body Reports-

Avni Gahonia ASB president Jefferson-

Good evening, board members and Dr. Bridges; welcome back from fall break. I will pick up where I left off last time. Jefferson and Monticello had their annual carnival. It was a blast. We were able to fundraise for both schools and make tons of memories by playing games and having fun. After that, the ASB started to plan our first dance on November 3, 2023. The theme is neon, and we are working hard to ensure it's awesome. This Friday, our next spirit day is Pink Out to support breast cancer awareness. The Jefferson Library is also having a book sale. Stop by and purchase a book if you get a chance. Boys basketball season is ending with the championship game being held this week. The girls' basketball season is just getting started, with tryouts this Friday. Finally, our musical Shrek is ramping up with rehearsals from three to five. That's all for now, and thank you all for listening.

Isabella Soto ASB president Hawkins-

We had our first fun Friday on the playground; many students participated, with musical chairs being a hit. Also, Friday game time has started at lunchtime. This is an opportunity for students to come by the library at lunch and play games with friends. Parent conferences were held the last week of September, and many parents took this opportunity to meet with the teachers. Pizza with the principal took place, and over fifty students purchased pizza with the principal. Hawkins participated in National Walk to School Day, and students dressed in rock and roll outfits. Volleyball and Cross country seasons continue with a volleyball game today, and cross country compete tomorrow in the championship meet. Basketball is also getting started, with our new coaches busy putting teams together. Our first dance is this Friday for sixth through eighth grade. The theme is Halloween, and students will get to dress up in their Halloween costumes.

Anthony Vasquez For Traina-

We have a few events and activities taking place on our campus. Tuesday has been designated as Think Pink Day to support breast cancer awareness, except for October 31st, which is Halloween. Traina will have their annual costume parade around the school in the morning. Parents are invited to come out and see all the fabulous costumes. Red Ribbon Week kicks off next week with our spirit days as follows. Monday is ready to kick off the week with a trained tiger saying no to drugs. Tuesday is Pink and Blue Spirit, and Wednesday is Traina, too bright for drugs. On Thursday, it's team up against drugs, and students are asked to wear sports attire. On Friday, it's crazy to do drugs, and students are encouraged to wear crazy hair and socks. The pie, the principal PTA fundraiser, was a smash. The students gathered during lunch and watched as the principal and vice-principal had pies thrown at them. They were great sports, and the kids enjoyed the administrators' involvement.

Trisha Dasgupta ASB president Monticello-

On September 22nd, Monticello and Jefferson had their annual carnival fundraiser. We had a fire drill on October 6th, and all the students came out and followed procedures correctly. The carnival occurred at the Monticello campus, where students enjoyed games, prizes, and entertainment. It was our biggest fundraiser, and we had a great turnout. At our ASB meeting, we discussed RedRibbon Week. That will take place the week of October 25th through the 31st, ending with our Halloween

parade on Thursday, October 31st. All of the students love to dress up, and it's a fun event the entire school loves. Parents are welcome to attend. This year, we will have our first rally; its theme is extreme performing, and we will have games set up for students led by Dr. Bridges. We're very excited for this event. Finally, we are doing Brighter Christmas in November. This incredible event encourages students to gather canned foods for families in need.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No Public Comments

IV. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – Regular Board Meeting August 15, 2023
4.2 Warrants – August 2023
4.3 Financials – August 2023
MSA (Wetherell/Wingo) approved the minutes as presented
Ayes –3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Wetherell
Jackman, Wingo

V. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

5.1 Student Enrollment -
Jim Bridges- Enrollment continues to grow.

VI. PERSONNEL SERVICES

6.1 Provisional Internship Permit Request- Math
MSA (Wingo/Wetherell)
Ayes –3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Wetherell
Jackman, Wingo

VII. BUSINESS AND FACILITIES

7.1 August 2023 FY 23-24 Budget Adjustments
MSA (Palya/Wetherell) approved August 2023 FY 23-24 Budget Adjustments as presented
Ayes – 3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Wetherell
Jackman,
Palya, Wingo

7.2 Change Order #3 Corral Hollow Elementary
MSA (Wingo/Wetherell) approved Change Order #3 for Corral Hollow Elementary, as presented
Ayes – 3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Wetherell, Jackman,
Palya, Wingo

7.3 Change Order #4 Corral Hollow Elementary
MSA (Wingo/Wetherell) approved Change Order #4 for Corral Hollow Elementary, as presented
Ayes – 3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Wetherell, Jackman,
Palya, Wingo

7.4 Acquisition Of New Diesel Mower
MSA (Wingo/Wetherell) approved the Acquisition of a new diesel mower as presented.
Ayes – 3 Nays – 0 Absent – 2 Abstain – 0
Wetherell

Jackman,
Palya, Wingo

VIII. BOARD DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

8.1 Grand Jury Report

Jim Bridges- The Grand Jury of San Joaquin County decided last year to look into the school safety procedures within the county. They selected one school out of each school district to visit. Tom Hawkins was selected, and Mrs. Bessette gave members a site tour and pointed out our safety procedures. The county superintendent sent a 17-page report in early June with their findings and three recommendations. The law requires it to respond to this report, so I did with an 8-page report detailing whether we agreed or disagreed with their findings. Another part of this process is discussing the report in an open session with the board. This report was written to all districts, not one per school; therefore, some items there do not apply to us. I will go through the findings in which the district either paused or considered it something we may need to look into and whether a recommendation was made and we could implement it. Therefore, I will highlight some of the items we're considering. One of the requirements is for schools to not only have assessments of crimes within the school but also in the community. I thought this requirement already existed in the school plan that was brought to the board for approval. However, I went back and looked through it, and it was not, but now it will be added. We met today in our leadership team meeting, and each site worked on pulling crime statistics reports from Tracy PD's information system. We also addressed students with disabilities and how their needs are being met during an emergency. We don't write each child within our safety plan for confidentiality's sake, but we want to ensure they are covered within our plan. Finally, they recommended that we look at specific dangers at each site. For example, Traina has a train nearby and more air traffic than other sites. Jefferson is in an area prone to flooding. The training was another big one, and we will attend the safety summit this Thursday as a district. Another training is the ICS 402 training for executives, which was challenging to find; however, we found one in Stanislaus County in January and will attend that one. The last recommendation was to have every site debrief after every drill to discuss with staff what went well and what didn't. The evacuation maps in the classrooms need to be updated to indicate where you're physically standing, as indicated by a star. This is to help those not familiar with the campus find a way to exit during an emergency. And then the last thing is the flip charts. We have flip charts that identify what to do in case of an emergency, and they noticed that most districts didn't have these in every possible location. Those are the recommendations we are currently working on.

ADJOURNMENT – MSA (Wingo/Wetherell) 6:51 pm

Respectfully submitted,

James W. Bridges
Secretary to the Board