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Summary of Minutes of Board of Education, Jasper County CUSD #1

Regular Meeting, October 17, 2011

Following is a summary of minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Jasper County Community Unit School District No. 1, held in the Unit Administration Office Board Room, Monday, October 17, 2011. Board Members Present: Mr. Fred Huddleston, Mr. Gordon Millsap, Mrs. Melinda Barthelme, Mr. Anthony Richards, Mrs. Holly Farley, Mrs. Mindy Street and Mr. Mike Knepper.

**All Votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.*

1. Recognition of Guests and Public Comments: There were no comments from the public.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda: The following items were approved via the consent agenda:

- Regular and Closed session minutes
- Bills and Activity Accounts
- Renewal of Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan with American Fidelity
- Donations to the District
- Destruction of Closed Session Recordings

3. Public Hearing on Proposed Waiver Application Seeking Modification of the School Code Permitting the District to Charge Less than 110% of the Per Capita Tuition Charge for Non-Resident Children of Full-Time Employees of the District: The hearing opened at 7:03 p.m. The superintendent made a presentation on the proposed waiver. No comments were made from the public. The hearing was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

5. Positive News and Communications: The following positive news was communicated to the Board of Education:

- The upgraded infrastructure for internet capabilities is completed and operating at the Jr/Sr High School and Newton Elementary.
- Representative David Reis will be at Jasper County Junior High on Friday, 10/21 taking part in the Principal for a Day Program.
- Saturday, 10/22 is School Bus Driver Appreciation Day. The board wishes to recognize the excellent work bus drivers do in getting students to school. Driving on average 77% of Jasper County students over 650,000 miles per year while maintaining an excellent safety record shows the quality drivers that transport Jasper County students to and from school.
- Friday, 10/21 is Principal's Appreciation Day. The board wishes to recognize district principals and assistant principals for their unwavering commitment to Jasper County students. JCCU #1 principals work tirelessly into impacting the lives of students in a significant way. By committing to quality education and putting our students first, principals work each and every day with courage and commitment to provide a quality educational environment for students.

6. Presentation of Annual Financial Report: DBH and Associates presented the District's Annual Financial Report to the Board of Education that was conducted by the independent firm. There were no findings against the District and it is projected the District will achieve financial recognition status, the highest status attainable by school districts.

7. Presentation and Approval of School Improvement Plans: Principals presented individual school improvement plans to the Board of Education followed by the Board voting to approve the plans.

8. Approval of Bus Routing Software: The Board of Education approved the purchase of Edulog bus routing software.

9. Presentation and Approval of District Improvement Plan: The District Improvement Plan was presented to the Board of Education followed by the Board voting to approve the plan.

10. Consideration and Possible Action on Submission to the Illinois State Board of Education of Tuition Waivers for Children of Fulltime Staff: The Board of Education approved the submission to the Illinois State Board of Education tuition waivers for children of fulltime staff.

11. Consideration of Surplus Playground Equipment: The Board of Education accepted the bid of \$470 from Terry Fisher for surplus playground equipment.

12. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with ROE #12: The Board approved the agreement between the District and ROE #12 for the District to provide lunch and receive reimbursement for safe school and optional education students.

13. Approval Surplus Equipment: The following equipment was declared surplus by the Board and donated to the alumni band club:

- 6 snare drums;
- 1 bass drum;
- 1 sousaphone

14. Discussion of IASB Delegate Assembly Topics: The Board discussed topics of interest that will be voted upon at the upcoming Illinois Association of School Board's Delegate Assembly.

15. The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:19 p.m. for purposes defined in the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees; the purchase or lease of real property; student disciplinary matters. The Board entered into Open Session at 9:33 p.m.

16. Approval of Volunteers at Ste. Marie Elementary: Leslie Werkowski and Jamie Winn were approved as volunteers at Ste. Marie Elementary School.

17. Approval of Title I Aide: Jacque Holsapple was approved as an elementary Title I Aide.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting will be Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Jasper County Unit Office Board Room.

