

The regular meeting of the North Adams-Jerome Public School Board of Education was held on Monday, May 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the North Adams-Jerome High School Library

The meeting was called to order by Board President Diane Todd

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

- Diane Todd, Trint Sawyer, Joni Jones, Justin May, Teresa Keck, Lisa Wallace, Marcia Bumpus

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

- *Superintendent* Dan Shadik, *K-12 Principal* James Leindecker

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

- NONE

GUESTS PRESENT

- 17

OPENING PUBLIC COMMENT

- J. Roberts – Senior Tea was a great group and a joy.

CONSENT AGENDA

a) Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: 4/15/2024 regular board meeting minutes

b) Approval of Bills: April bills in the amount of \$100,310.22

- Motion made by Keck and supported by Sawyer to amend agenda to update bills to April, not March

Yes 7

No 0

- Motion made by Keck and supported by Sawyer to approve the Consent Agenda

Yes 7

No 0

OLD BUSINESS

- NEOLA Policies Second Reading
 - Motion made by Todd and supported by Keck to approve the second reading of NEOLA Policies; PO1422, PO1623, PO1662, PO2260, PO2260.01, PO2266, PO3122, PO3123, PO3362, PO4122, PO4123, PO4362, PO5517

Yes 7

No 0

NEW BUSINESS

- First Reading of Vol. 38 #2
 - Motion made by Sawyer and supported by Wallace to approve the first reading of NEOLA policies PO1240, PO2410 (rescinded), PO2414, PO2418, PO6320, PO6321, PO6325, PO6350, PO6520, PO8390, PO8800

Yes 7

No 0

- Reschedule June 2024 Board Meeting/Workshop
 - Motion made by Wallace and supported by Jones to move June 17, 2024 board meeting and workshop to June 24, 2024

Yes 7
No 0
- Kitchen/Custodian Sub – EduStaff
 - Motion made by Jones and supported by Keck to approve the hiring of Dawn Schneider for kitchen/custodian sub through EduStaff, pay per union contract rate with no guaranteed hours

Yes 7
No 0
- Custodian Sub – EduStaff
 - Motion made by Keck and supported by Wallace to approve the hiring of Amber Estel for custodian sub, through EduStaff, pay per union contract rate with no guaranteed hours

Yes 7
No 0
- Summer School Teacher
 - Motion made by Jones and supported by Sawyer to approve Elli Shreve to teach Summer School

Yes 7
No 0

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Counselor Report: *Kayla Shadik*

- NO REPORT

Maintenance Supervisor Report: *Ritch Todd*

- Boiler inspection passed with flying colors.

Transportation Report: *Randy Johnson*

- State Police will be here June 3rd to assess busses. Bus 7 will be Summer School transportation.

Athletic Director Report: *Doug Dospoy*

- NO REPORT

Food Service Director Report: *Nikki Mosley*

- Finalizing items on needs for money to be spent of excess funds.
- Angel fund has been successful.
- End of year report to come.

K-12 Principal Report: *James Leindecker*

- Spring testing – M Step should be done very soon.
- Teacher evaluations all submitted to state.
- K-8 field trips are underway.
- Walked over to North Adams Community Memorial Library, very responsive.

Superintendent Report: *Dan Shadik*

- Congratulations to the Girls Varsity Basketball Team for making 2024 Academic All State - Division 4.

- Use of 31aa Funds: I reported in an earlier Board Meeting that we were going to use 31aa funds for the replacement of doors and locks in the MS/HS. After diving into the 24-25 SY Budget, this would not be the most appropriate use of funds at the moment. We are budgeting very conservatively due to enrollment numbers next year and the Student Success Advocate position must be filled. I will be utilizing 31aa to fund the Student Success Advocate position for a 1 year term, knowing that this is a grant that may not be renewed next school year. North Adams-Jerome will be going out for a Second Sinking Fund to help pay for the much needed repairs and technology upgrades in the District. Our current sinking fund levies .6795 mills.
- Graduation was a great success. I want to extend a thank you to everyone who had a hand in making graduation a success. I also wanted to extend a thank you to Sheriff Scott Hodshire for a great commencement speech. The band did a wonderful job and are sounding better each year. Also, a special thank you to FFA for growing and providing all the flowers for graduation! This is a wonderful step for NAJ students, taking pride in our school.
- FFA Grant – Purchasing new chrome books, and renovating the FFA barn.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Site

- NO REPORT

Personnel & Finance

- Starting teacher negotiations contract

Policy & Curriculum

- NO REPORT

BOARD COMMENT

- J. Jones – Thank the Smith's for help at Graduation.
- D. Todd – Thanks to the admin team for all the extra these past few weeks.
- L. Wallace – Thank you to who attends board meetings.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT

- J. Roberts – How many kindergarten students enrolled? Mr. Shadik – 16.
- L. Price – Concern on hiring of Dawn Schneider in Elementary, better to serve High School instead of Elementary.
- J. & P. Smith – Third board meeting regarding JACC. Sent letter to board members, asked for other options, went to MDE. Splitting NAJ/Hanover FTE so he could attend JACC. MOU agreement could be made? Where do we go from here?
- B. Norris – Ask if coaches evaluation be done if already not. Mr. Leindecker – Yes, in process.
- L. Clay – Fundraisers, four done. Condition of High School library and damaged books. Will try to work on a better system.

MEETING ADJOURNED

- Diane Todd at 8:06pm