

**JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 0050  
JOHNSON COUNTY CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**

May 8, 2024  
6:00 pm

Members Present: Arlin Beethe, Justin Beethe, Bob Hutt, Gail Hutt, Rebecca Plager, Kim Wellensiek

Also Present: Jon H. Rother, Superintendent; Laurie Badertscher, Recording Secretary; Rich Bacon, PreK /4-8 Principal; Rick Lester, High School Principal; Garret Collin, Activities Director.

Fifteen visitors were present.

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The Johnson County School District No. 0050 Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2024 in the high school room 204, Tecumseh, Nebraska. A current copy of the agenda was available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting. The notice of meeting and agenda was posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. Notice of the meeting was also published in the Tecumseh Chieftain.

President Kim Wellensiek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and opened the meeting by announcing that the Open Meetings Act rules were posted. Roll call was taken. Arlin Beethe-present, Justin Beethe-present, Bob Hutt-present, Gail Hutt-present, Plager-present, Wellensiek-present.

A motion was made by Justin Beethe and seconded by Arlin Beethe to approve the April 2024, regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes as presented. Roll call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Justin Beethe and seconded by Gail Hutt to approve the May 2024, financial report and General Fund claims for payment in the amount of \$801,924.27. Roll Call vote: Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Carried 6-0

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** None

**DISCUSSION**

**PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD**

Johnson County Central Public Schools teacher Lisa Weber presented the English Learners Annual Program Review to the Board of Education. A description of the program as well as statistics and testing data were provided. Discussion was held.

JAG (Jobs for American Graduates) program teacher, Betsy Herbert was present with five students to provide information about the JAG program. JAG is sponsored by the United Way

of the Midlands. The mission of JAG in Nebraska schools is to, “Empower students with skills and support to succeed in education, employment and life.”

Student Council sponsor, Mr. Nick Weber and four Student Council members were present to answer questions board members had relating to the student’s experiences and recommendations they would like to have considered.

## **PRINCIPALS’ REPORTS**

Principal, Lester provided information pertinent to the high school.

- Summer School
- Graduation - May 11, 2024
- Drivers Education

Principal, Rich Bacon reported on the following:

- NSCAS and MAP testing
- 5-8 Music Concert –May 13<sup>th</sup>
- Science Day 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – May 14<sup>th</sup>
- Jr. High Track boys and girls ECNC Conference Champion

## **ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR REPORT**

- District Track - JCC May 9<sup>th</sup>
- State Jr. High Track – May 11<sup>th</sup>
- State Track - May 16-18
- Athletic Banquet- May 15<sup>th</sup>
- District Golf – May 13<sup>th</sup>
- State Golf – May 23-24
- Athletic Banquet- May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Summer Weight Room May 28<sup>th</sup> – August 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Jr. High practices for 2024-25 considered

## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Rother provided information on the following:

- Thunderbirds of the Month were recognized.
- Facilities update
- Two students with perfect attendance
- Playground considerations
- Kindergarten Graduation and Spring Concert – May 14<sup>th</sup>

- Extracurricular Activity survey results provided
- Community visioning activity participation

The transportation committee met on April 15, 2024. The committee set up a replacement schedule for the fleet. The committee would like to have \$100,000 appropriated annually from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund.

Superintendent Rother reviewed the Rule 10 Report regarding the safety and security of the Johnson County Central Public Schools as outlined by the Nebraska Department of Education. Mr. Ken Navratil completed this report for the district. Mr. Rother also presented the ESU 4 Health Van Report.

## **FUTURE DATES**

- NASB Leadership Workshop- June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>
- NASB School Leaders & Law Conference – June 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>

## **DISCUSSION**

### **REGULAR AGENDA BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Plager and second by Justin Beethe and to approve the following policies as presented. **Policy 3030**-Automatic External Defibrillator; **Policy 3031**-Student Electing to Attend School in Adjoining State; **Policy 3032**- Copying Fee for School District Records; **Policy 4038**-Classified Staff Defined; **Policy 4039**- Employment of Classified Staff; **Policy 5022**- Investigations, Arrests, and Other Student Contact by Law Enforcement and HHS; **Policy 5023**- Student Illness.

Roll Call vote: Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Bob Hutt to accept the resignation due to retirement, of Mrs. Mary Teten with regrets. Roll call vote: Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Justin Beethe and second by Gail Hutt to accept the sealed bid for the 2005 Ford Van for \$550.00 Roll call vote: Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes. Carried 6-0

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Plager to accept the bid for the 2014 IC Bus in the amount of \$650. Roll call vote: Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes. Carried 6-0

A motion was made by Gail Hutt and second by Justin Beethe to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes Plager-yes. Carried 6-0

President Wellensiek declared the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held in the high school room 204 in Tecumseh, Nebraska at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday June 12, 2024. The notice of meeting will be published in the Tecumseh Chieftain. The agenda will be posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. A current copy of the agenda will be available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting.