## MINUTES- JACKSON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION- January 14, 2025

- A. The Organizational meeting of the Jackson Local School District Board of Education was held, Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 5:00 pm at Amherst Elementary School. The following members were present: Gindlesberger, Jones, Winkhart, and Wright. Goff was absent.
- B. President pro tempore Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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25.01 Moved by Winkhart, seconded by Gindlesberger, to nominate Lia Jones for President of the Board of Education. With no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Lia Jones was elected President of the Board of Education with the vote as follows:

Winkhart, yes; Gindlesberger, yes; Jones, yes; Wright, yes. Motion carried.

25.02 Moved by Winkhart, seconded by Wright, to nominate Scott Gindlesberger for Vice President of the Board of Education. With no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Scott Gindlesberger was elected Vice President of the Board of Education with the vote as follows:

Winkhart, yes; Wright, yes; Gindlesberger, yes, Jones, yes. Motion carried.

25.03 Moved by Jones, seconded by Winkhart, to establish the date, time and place of the regular meetings of the Jackson Local School District Board of Education during 2025 as follows:

January 14, 2025- Amherst Elementary
February 25, 2025- Jackson Middle School
\*\*March 18, 2025- Jackson High School
April 22, 2025- Jackson High School
May 27, 2025- Jackson High School
June 24, 2025- Jackson High School
July 22, 2025- Jackson High School (11:30 am)
August 26, 2025- Jackson High School
September 23, 2025- Jackson High School
October 28, 2025- Amherst Elementary
\*\*November 18, 2025- Strausser Elementary

December - No Board Meeting Scheduled

Board meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month, except for the March and November Board meetings, which will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month due to Spring Break and Thanksgiving Break. Meetings will start at 5:00 pm.

Jones, yes; Winkhart, yes; Gindlesberger, yes; Wright, yes. Motion carried.

- 25.04 Moved by Winkhart, seconded by Gindlesberger, to approve the following standing authorizations for calendar year 2025:
  - a. Authorization of signature of Board Treasurer on all checks and purchase orders and to utilize facsimile/electronic signature for such.
  - b. Authorization for Treasurer to award interim deposits on monies pursuant to O.R.C. 135.01 to 135.21, inclusive.
  - c. Authorization for Treasurer to be bonded in the amount of \$75,000 and the Assistant Superintendent to be bonded in the amount of \$25,000.
  - d. Authorization for Board President, Board Members and Superintendent to be bonded in the amount of \$25,000.

- e. Authorization for the Administration to encumber money within adopted line items within each fund classification to the appropriations without prior Board approval.
- f. Authorization for the Treasurer to re-appropriate, advance or transfer funds. Such re-appropriations, advances and transfers will be presented for approval by the Board of Education at the next regular meeting.
- g. Authorization for the Superintendent to send school employees to professional meetings within the amount of the appropriations for 2025.
- h. The Superintendent has the authority to direct and approve professional development programs, including graduate course work, and reimburse within the guidelines promulgated by the superintendent.
- i. Authorization for Superintendent, during periods when this Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of this Board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of this Board, subject to ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, the employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer.
- j. Authorization for Superintendent, on behalf of this Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.
- k. Resolution to appoint the Treasurer as wage coordinator for outside contracts.
- l. Authorization for Treasurer and Superintendent to travel for the purpose of conducting the business of the district and/or attend professional meetings, and to receive reimbursement for all appropriate and reasonable expenses.
- m. Authorization for the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise has been received in good condition.
- n. Board President assumes the role of Legislative Liaison and acts as Delegate of O.S.B.A. Annual Conference. (Vice President serves as alternate.)
- o. Board Vice President is designated as the Student Achievement Liaison.
- p. Approve membership in O.S.B.A. for 2025, which includes the Consultant Service and Legal Assistance Fund, and the 2025 Ohio Education Policy Institute (OEPI). Page 1 of 2
- q. Authorization for the Superintendent to adjust substitute rates on an individual basis as needed.
- r. Authorization for the Treasurer to enter into and/or accept/participate in Federal, State, and Local Grants or agreements and authorize the Treasurer to appropriate funds for the grants awarded.
- s. Authorization for the Superintendent to enter into Settlement Agreements when he/she perceives litigation may be avoided.
- t. Authorization for the Treasurer to borrow at the best possible rate for cash flow purposes.
- u. Authorization for the Treasurer to conduct records commission meetings and district audit committee meetings, not limited to, but at least, annually.
- v. Authorization for the Superintendent to appoint appropriate personnel to required positions such as, but not limited to, Title IX Coordinator.
- w. Direct the Superintendent, Treasurer, board member, Gindlesberger, board member, Jones, and Mr. Ken Douglas, a local school finance expert, to serve as a district audit committee to meet at the annual audit conference.
- x. Authorize the Superintendent to select and employ legal counsel and to initiate legal action to protect and/or defend the interests of the Board, District, students and/or its employees. Such actions may include but are not limited to appeals of tax issues, workers' and unemployment compensation, litigation and actions before administrative agencies.
- y. Establish a service fund for the Board of Education in the amount of \$20,000 to be used to pay the expenses actually encumbered by Board members in the performance of their duties and for inservice

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training and professional development (attending workshops, seminars, conferences, conventions) and other expenses in connection with assigned duties as permitted by law.

- z. The Canton Repository is the official newspaper for the publication of those notices required by law to be made in a newspaper.
- aa. Authorize the IRS mileage reimbursement rate for calendar year 2025.
- bb. Authorize the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, and Treasurer, working together, to approve change orders for work on any project up to \$10,000 and to conduct such other business related to the project as is required between Board meetings.
- cc. Authorize the use of public funds per Ohio Attorney General Opinion No. 82-006, when necessary and appropriate, to purchase food/refreshments for individuals attending meetings or other gatherings to advance the goals of the district.
- dd. Assign the Superintendent and Treasurer as delegates to Jackson Township.

Winkhart, yes; Gindlesberger, yes; Jones, yes; Wright, yes. Motion carried.

25.05 Moved by Jones, seconded by Gindlesberger, to adopt the following Board of Education Agenda organization for the calendar year 2025:

Call to Order
Roll Call
Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of Minutes
Financial Reports
Hearing of Visitors- Agenda Items
Communications
Superintendent's Report of Business Requiring NO ACTION
Superintendent's Report of Business Requiring ACTION
Old Business
New Business
Hearing of Visitors- General Items
Adjournment

Jones, yes; Gindlesberger, yes; Winkhart, yes; Wright, yes. Motion carried.

25.06 Moved by Gindlesberger, seconded by Jones to adjourn the meeting at 5:09 pm.

Gindlesberger, yes; Jones, yes; Winkhart, yes; Wright, yes. Motion carried.

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