

Jim Thorpe Area School District
Regular Board Meeting
Board Members and Press Only – Due to COVID-19
Monday, November 23, 2020 7:00 p.m.

1. OPENING OF MEETING – BOARD PRESIDENT

1.01 & 1.02

Board Meeting Opened with Moment of Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance.

1.03

Roll Call

ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the Jim Thorpe School Board of Education was opened at the Jim Thorpe Administration Building, with a moment of silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. School Board Directors were present by phone and Google Meets: Mr. Raniero Marciante, Mr. Gerald Strubinger, Mr. Glenn Confer, Mr. Scott Pompa, Mr. TJ Garritano, Mr. Paul Montemuro, Mrs. Pearl Sheckler and Mr. Dennis McGinley. Mrs. Cindy Henning, was absent. Administrators present: Mr. John Rushefski, *Superintendent*, Mr. Ken Marx, *Business Manager*, Attorney Carl Beard, *Solicitor* Mr. Jerome Brown, *IT Director*, Mr. Thomas Lesisko, *High School Principal*, Mrs. Holly Mordaunt, *Penn Kidder Principal*, Mr. Randy Engle, *Penn Kidder Assistant Principal*, Mr. Shawn Albert, *LB Morris Principal*, Mr. Jeff White, *LB Morris Asst. Principal* Mr. Ted LaRizzio, *Director of Buildings and Grounds*, Ms. Katherine Doll *Curriculum Coordinator*, Mrs. Lori Lienhard *Director of Security*, Mrs. Kimberley Hill, *Recording Secretary*. Visitors present: BRC TV13 and the Times News.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS

2.01 READING OF COMMENTS & QUESTIONS BY EMAIL

Due to COVID-19, the public was invited to email questions or comments to Kim Hill, Recording Secretary to be read to the Board via Google Meets.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was an Executive Session before the meeting for Litigation and Personnel items. No decisions were made.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.01 APPROVAL/ MINUTES REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 11, 2020

Motion by Mr. Marciante, **Seconded** by Mr. Pompa to Approve School Board Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting November 11, 2020 as presented:

Voice Vote: **ALL AYE**

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

5.01 APPROVAL/ BILLS PAYABLE GENERAL FUND, CAFETRIAR FUND & OTHER NOVEMBER 23, 2020

Motion by Mr. Montemuro, **Seconded** by Mr. Garritano to Approve Bills Payable General Fund, Cafeteria & Other- November 23, 2020 as presented:

Roll call vote: **General Fund**

G. Confer	Aye	D. McGinley	Aye
G. Strubinger	Aye	P. Montemuro	Aye
S. Pompa	Aye	T. Garritano	Aye
P. Sheckler	Aye	R. Marciante	Nay
C. Henning	Absent		

AYE 7 NAY 1 Absent 1 : Motion PASSES

Roll call vote: **Cafeteria Fund**

G. Confer	Aye	D. McGinley	Aye
G. Strubinger	Aye	P. Montemuro	Aye
S. Pompa	Aye	T. Garritano	Aye
P. Sheckler	Aye	R. Marciante	Aye
C. Henning	Absent		

AYE 8 NAY 0 Absent 1 : Motion PASSES

6. COMMITTEE REPORT – POLICY & PERSONNEL

6.01 APPROVAL/ SUPERINTENDENT’S GOALS FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Mr. Garritano, **Seconded** by Ms. Sheckler to Approve Superintendent’s Goals for 2020-2021 School Year as presented:

Voice Vote: ALL AYE

6.02 APPROVAL/ JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE BUSINESS OFFICE ACCOUNTANT

Motion by Mr. Marciante, **Seconded** by Mr. McGinley to Approve Job Description for the Business Office Accountant pending Solicitor’s review as presented:

Voice Vote: ALL AYE

6.03 APPROVAL/ POSTING POSITION FOR THE BUSINESS OFFICE ACCOUNTANT

Motion by Ms. Sheckler, **Seconded** by Mr. Montemuro to Approve Posting Position for the Business Office Accountant as presented:

Voice Vote: ALL AYE

**6.04 APPROVAL/
EMPLOYMENT
MS. ROSE DEHAVEN
CUSTODIAN**

Motion by Ms. Sheckler, **Seconded** by Mr. Marciante to Approve Employment Ms. Rose DeHaven Full Time Custodian at a rate of \$11.00 per hour as presented:

Roll call vote:

G. Confer	Aye	D. McGinley	Aye
G. Strubinger	Aye	P. Montemuro	Aye
S. Pompa	Aye	T. Garritano	Aye
P. Sheckler	Aye	R. Marciante	Aye
C. Henning	Absent		

AYE 8 NAY 0 Absent 1 : Motion PASSES

7. FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE

**7.01 APPROVAL/
DISABLED VETERAN
REAL ESTATE TAX
EXEMPTION
CERTIFICATION**

Motion by Mr. Confer, **Seconded** by Ms. Sheckler to Approve Disabled Veteran Real Estate Tax Exemption Certification as presented:

Voice Vote: ALL AYE

8. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

8.01 APPROVAL/ FULLY REMOTE LEARNING PLAT- FROM STARTING DECEMBER 1, 2020 - JANUARY 18, 2021

Motion by Mr. Marciante, **Seconded** by Mr. Pompa to Approve Fully Remote Learning Platform Starting from December 1, 2020 through January 18, 2021 (pending review by Board at January 13, 2021 Regular Board Meeting) as presented:

Roll call vote.

G. Confer	Aye	D. McGinley	Aye
G. Strubinger	Aye	P. Montemuro	Aye
S. Pompa	Aye	T. Garritano	Aye
P. Sheckler	Aye	R. Marciante	Aye
C. Henning	Absent		

AYE 8 NAY 0 Absent 1 : Motion PASSES

9. ATHLETIC AND FIELDS & CONCESSIONS

9.01 APPROVAL/ KEYSTONE CONSTRUCTION SYNTHETIC TURF MAINTENANCE PROPOSAL

Motion by Mr. Confer, **Seconded** by Mr. Pompa to **TABLE** this item:

Roll call vote.

G. Confer	Aye	D. McGinley	Aye
G. Strubinger	Aye	P. Montemuro	Aye
S. Pompa	Aye	T. Garritano	Aye
P. Sheckler	Aye	R. Marciante	Aye
C. Henning	Absent		

AYE 8 NAY 0 Absent 1 : Motion TABLED

**9.02 APPROVAL/
ACCEPTANCE
RESIGNATION
LETTER ASST
VOLLEYBALL
COACH**

Motion by Mr. Marciante, **Seconded** by Mr. Pompa to Approve/
Acceptance Resignation Letter Assistant Volleyball Coach
Alyssa Smith Effective follow the conclusion of the 2020-2021
Fall Sports Season as presented:

Voice Vote: ALL AYE

10. NEW BUSINESS

No New Business at this time.

11. INFORMATIONAL

11.01 CURRENT ENROLLMENT

No change since last report October 2020.

11.02 CCTI

No Increases to School District this year.

Reminder: Re-organization Meeting December 7, 2020 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Cindy Henning/Board Secretary

ATTEST:


Gerald Strubinger/Board President