

**JONESPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MINUTES ARE NOT FINAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

A meeting of the Jonesport School Committee was held at Jonesport Elementary School on Monday, April 8, 2024 with members present as follows: Renee Chandler, Kelton Beal, and Morgan Monroe. Also present was Superintendent of Schools Lewis Collins, JBHS Principal Joseph Swain, and Principal John Reese.

Chair Chandler called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m. followed by the pledge.

1. Approval of Minutes

The School Committee voted (3-0) to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2024 meeting with amendment to wording on Item #5.

2. Public Comment Session (Up to 20 minutes) – Discussion about change in uniforms with Jonesport Elementary and Beals Elementary combining junior high sports teams. The teams will be called “JB’ and the new uniforms will be blue in color.

3. Discussion and Vote on the FY25 School Budget:

- Systems Administration will be changed to \$101,051 plus the \$20,000 for PFMLA.
- Special Ed Secretary amount at \$8,000 is in question due to Beals and the CSD having different amounts listed in their budgets.
- The Board would like to remove the \$5,000 from painting for the new shingles and \$5,000 from the roofing project. They would like those two (2) amounts to be absorbed by the Repairs and Maintenance line in the budget.
- The Board would like to have the MEMIC line reflect that wording.
- The Board would like to have the Physical Education Teacher line to reflect 60% savings and the Physical Education Supply line to be reduced to \$1,000.
- The Board would like the \$2,800 for Physical Education Conference to be moved to Instructional Staff Training.
- The Board would like to keep the Library/Media Educational Technician left in the budget and would like the Library Book line to only reflect \$500 for new books.
- The Board would like to add Grades 6-8 Volleyball Skills and Drills for \$500.
- The Board would like to increase the Extra Curricular Supply line from \$500 to \$1,000 for increased supplies.
- The Board would like to keep the tax increase between 5%-8%.

4. Continuing Teacher and Hourly Staff Nominations:

- Allison Beal – Kindergarten
- Ivy Robinson – Grade 1

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- Marni Crowley – Grade 5
- Vanessa Barton – Grades 6-8
- Sylvina Lyons – Grades 6-8
- Debra Carver – Grades 6-8
- Katherine Kelley – Title 1/Reading Interventionist
- Carolyn Libby – Physical Education/Health

Motion and Second to accept Superintendent’s nominations as presented for continuing teacher employment. (Vote: 3-0)

- Melanie Faulkingham – Special Ed Educational Technician
- Vondell Beal – Special Ed Educational Technician
- Rachel Phillips – Special Ed Educational Technician
- Lisa Graham – Administrative Assistant to the Principal
- Trisha Alley – Cook
- William Alley – Custodian/Bus Driver
- Crystal Emerson – Custodian
- Jessica Potts – Pre K Educational Technician

Motion and Second to accept Superintendent’s nominations as presented for continuing employment of hourly support staff. (Vote: 3-0)

5. Principal’s Report (see attached) – Mr. Reese also informed the Board about a dance for Grades 5-8.

6. Other – Superintendent Collins nominated:

- Andrea Hartford as Special Education Teacher  
Motion and Second to approve nomination (Vote 3-0)
- Kathy Beal as Special Ed Director  
Motion and Second to approve nomination (Vote 3-0)
- Dani Alley as Food Service Director for School Year 2024-2025  
Motion and Second to approve nomination (Vote: 3-0)
- Jason Beal as Spring 2024 Baseball Coach  
Motion and Second to approve nomination (Vote: 3-0)
- William Merchant as Spring 2024 Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach  
Motion and Second to approve nomination (Vote: 3-0)
- John Reese as Full-Time Principal for the 2024-2025 School Year.  
Motion and Second to approve nomination (Vote: 3-0)

7. Adjournment

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The School Committee voted (3-0) to adjourn at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis S Collins, Superintendent