JUNCTION CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS EXECUTIVE SESSION AND BOARD MEETING

April 27, 2026

Board of Directors		District Office Staff	Administrators
Kristina Holton, Chair Ryan Ceniga Jamie Pleich Jim Anderson	Kayla Timmins ~~Wendy Waddell~~ TJ Vetkos	Stephanie White Dani Tesch	Troy Stoops, Superintendent Dr. Katie Dawson, Incoming Superintendent Kyle Dubé, Business Manager Katie Bradford, Special Programs Director Erika Vaughn, Director of Instruction Terah Stuve, Territorial Principal / High School Assistant Principal Bryce Bennett, High School Principal Tiffani Day, High School Assistant Principal Annette Sisler, Laurel Principal Aaron Thornton, Laurel Assistant Principal Johnie Matthews, Oaklea Principal Stephanie Rabago, Oaklea Assistant Principal
Staff	**Staff & Others**	**Others**	
Kime Parks Jeanie McDermott Rebecca Stutzman		Others – Erik Parks	

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 5:30 P.M. - ORS 192.660(2)(H) - TO CONSULT WITH COUNSEL CONCERNING THE LEGAL RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF A PUBLIC BODY WITH REGARD TO CURRENT LITIGATION OR LITIGATION LIKELY TO BE FILED. - Executive Session minutes are not part of this document.

MINUTES

6:00 p.m.

Presentation

I. **CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chair Holton** called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and those in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. **AGENDA REVIEW - Moved the financial update to the start of the district update.**

III. **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

A. Gifts to the District – Chair Holton read the list of gifts to the district and thanked those who donated. List attached to the official minutes in the district office.

IV. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Approve board meeting minutes of March 16, 2026.

B. Personnel Actions

1. **Approve the retirement of Kristin Voutsikakis, 1.0 FTE health teacher at Junction City High School, effective June 30, 2026.**
2. **Approve the retirement of Cat Jenkins, 1.0 FTE kindergarten teacher at Laurel Elementary School, effective the end of the 2025-26 school year.**
3. **Approve the resignation of Gregg Dudding, 1.0 FTE special education teacher at Laurel Elementary School, effective the end of the 2025-26 school year.**
4. **Approve the resignation of Stephanie Rabago, 1.0 FTE assistant principal at Oaklea Middle School, effective the end of the 2025-26 school year.**
5. **Approve the resignation of Quintessa Bell, .20 FTE agriculture teacher at Junction City High School, effective the end of the 2025-26 school year.**
6. **Approve the hiring of Christin Richter, 1.0 FTE elementary teacher at Laurel Elementary School, beginning the 2026-27 school year.**
7. **Approve the hiring of Denae Yager as 1.0 FTE district nurse beginning the 2026-27 school year.**

8. **Note the transfer of Jenna Peterson from 1.0 FTE elementary teacher at Laurel Elementary to a 1.0 FTE elementary teacher at Territorial Elementary School, beginning the 2026-27 school year.**

C. Open 2 kindergarten inter-district transfer spots at Territorial Elementary School and 4 kindergarten inter-district transfer spots at Laurel Elementary School for the 2026-27 school year.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR ANDERSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR CENIGA, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED. The motion was APPROVED unanimously by those board members present.

V. **PRESENTATIONS -** None for April.

VI. **DISTRICT UPDATES**

A. **Superintendent Update – Superintendent Stoops**

★ **State Board / Legislative Update**
- PBAM implementation pushed back to July 2028
- Governor's Executive Order 26-06 - Slides in the Presentation
- Board of Education Temporary Rules (180 days) - Slides in the Presentation

★ **District Facilities Update**
- Facilities committee met April 23rd
- Next Meeting is in August
- Seismic Rehabilitation Project is on schedule, bi-weekly OAC meetings.
- TAP Grants - Applications denied
- David McKay will combine assessments and update the District Long-Range Facilities Plan
- Budgeting for Website and Social Media support
- Fully assessed all district low voltage systems, ie. bells, intercoms, clocks, video surveillance and security controls.
- Budgeting for North East Wing roofing and low voltage repairs/upgrades.

★ **Staff Appreciation**
- National Teacher Appreciation Week is May 4th - May 8th

★ **Executive Assistant / HR Assistant**
- Screen Applications - May 4th - 8th
- First Interviews - May 12th-13th
- Final Interviews - May 15th-18th
- Expected hire date by - May 22nd

★ **Budgeting Reductions for 2026-2027**

• JCO Teacher K-8	1.0 FTE	$98,000
• Maintenance Director	.50 FTE	$58,371
• Lead Maintenance	.50 FTE	$42,849
• Custodian	1.0 FTE	$53,070
• Technology Coordinator	1.0 FTE	$100,134
• TAG	.20 FTE	$13,195
• Psychologist	.80 FTE	$110,872
• **Target $500,000**	**5.0 FTE**	**$476,491**

★ **Superintendent Transition**
- We have met twice
- We meet tomorrow
- Dr. Dawson will be involved in hiring of the Middle School Assistant Principal and the Executive Assistant / HR Assistant positions
- Communications through shared folder

B. TAG Update - Erika Vaughn - The 25-26 from the Chintimini Grant Funds - $67,215. Included in the application for the 26-27 school year gives a potential for $105,000. TAG slides are included in the Presentation.

C. Financial Update - Kyle Dubé provided the board with a financial update. The financial report is included in the Presentation.

D. Administrator Updates - Elementary

VII. **ASSOCIATION / HIGH SCHOOL REPORTS - JCEA - Jeanie McDermott** - Thank you to our volunteers, nurse, and teachers! JCEA Elections will happen in May, President and Secretary nominations are being accepted through May 7th. Elections will happen the following week with results announced by May 21 - our last JCEA meeting of the year. We are still working to increase JCEA participation. We are looking for: Membership committee (or chair), Social committee, and folks interested in bargaining next year. The high school is also lacking building reps at this time. Social opportunities at LES, OMS, JCHS w/ Darbi and Jeanie.

JC-ESP – Kime Parks - The JCESP are proud of everything our students have accomplished this year. As we head into the final weeks of school, we are excited to bring the energy and finish this year stronger than ever. Here's to a successful, and sunny end to the school year.

High School Student Report – Kylie Holton - Sports Update: **Softball**: Done **Baseball**: Coach Stavros says his team is right where they need to be at this point in the season–they've lost a couple of close games recently, which just reminds them that all they have left to figure out is how to win close games against good teams. They are currently ranked 3rd in State by the OSAA. **Tennis**: Done **Track**: Done **Men's Volleyball**: Beat Marist last week 3-0, which was pretty enjoyable. Marist's team is new this year, so our extra year of experience really showed. **Flag Football**: ???

JCHS Leadership and the Life Skills program are excited to report that the JCHS Coffee Shop, Tiger Fuel, is open 3 days a week, and it's going even better than we expected. The flavored Red Bulls and Italian sodas are particularly popular. Students are starting to ask for us to expand our hours, so we need to get more staff trained to make that happen. Currently, it's open M-W-F at lunch (W: 11:50-12:20, M/F:12:35-1:05) and we invite you to come in and try it out with these free drink cards I have for you tonight. **AP Lit** (including yours truly and a certain board member I am related to) went to Ashland at the beginning of April and saw 2 shows. The weather was gorgeous and the plays we saw were really, really good. (Add your comments/thoughts here). **Leadership** has been hiding Easter eggs this spring, which entitle the finder to a free donut. We give away donuts on Friday, and it's been a super popular activity. **The CTE Showcase** at Spring Conferences last week was well received. **The Mental Health Fair** is coming up on May 4–we're running a full-day schedule this year and are hoping for a successful event. Marissa Lovell, the School & Community Health Promotion Coordinator for Lane County Public Health, has been so generous as to spend her work day with us, so that every student in attendance will spend one of their sessions with her, learning about how mental health impacts physical health, as well as a few other topics. Some of the new sessions for students this year include Kittens (we have a litter of 8-week old kittens who will be visiting us) and Bedazzling, where students can bring an item and cover it in rhinestones! We have lots of cool prizes that Mrs. Madsen was able to purchase with a grant, and have scheduled teachers such that they can attend a session of their choice during their prep period if they would like. **The JCHS Talent Show** is Friday, May 8, and you're all invited. It's going to be a great show. We have an hour's worth of talent to showcase, including 2 exhibition performances; one from the JC School of Dance. Leadership is purchasing VISA gift cards for the winners, who will be judged by a panel, which will include, we hope?, Mr. Stoops. Our **Spring Blood Drive** is coming up on Friday, May 15, for any of you who might be interested in donating. We've been on a roll, increasing our total pints collected each drive over the last one, so we'll see if we can continue that trend! **May 15 is also the day of our ASB elections for next year**, and then Prom is May 16, at Venue 252 in downtown Eugene, from 8-11, so I'll have lots to tell you about in my *last* report next month.

VIII. **PUBLIC COMMENT – (The Junction City School District Board of Directors does not allow public comments to be made against individuals. The Board will not engage in discussion with members of the public during this time, it is for public *comment* only. The Board will reflect on public comment at the end of the meeting. Please limit comments to 3-5 minutes.) – Rebecca Stutzman** - Spoke in support of the district TAG program. Happy about Erika's emphasis on TAG in the classroom. Maybe enrichment periods at Oaklea could be utilized more by TAG. The connection meetings that happen every two weeks with TAG coordinator/TAG groups is really important to the students.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve 5-year contract extension with First Student for transportation

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR ANDERSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR CENIGA, TO APPROVE THE 5-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH FIRST STUDENT FOR TRANSPORTATION, AS PRESENTED. The motion was APPROVED unanimously by those board members present.

B. Appoint Lynda Mann to one of the two budget committee positions

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR ANDERSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR CENIGA, TO APPOINT LYNDA MANN TO ONE OF THE TWO BUDGET COMMITTEE POSITIONS, AS PRESENTED. The motion was APPROVED unanimously by those board members present.

C. Approve Out-of-Strate travel for JCHS Yearbook for the National Convention in Minneapolis, MN, April 15-19, 2026.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR ANDERSON, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR CENIGA, TO APPROVE THE OUT-OF STATE TRAVEL FOR JCHS YEARBOOK FOR THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN MINNEAPOLIS, MN, APRIL 15-19, 2026, AS PRESENTED. The motion was APPROVED unanimously by those board members present.

X. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. **Board Member "Shout Outs" on Committee Work** – Facilities meeting last week- as we look ahead, we will need to revamp that committee and see who wants to stay on it and who wants to join. It is important to continue to relay the good works of the district out to the community and that is being worked into the budget.

B. **Board Reflection on Public Comments** – Thanks to Rebecca for coming and sharing her thoughts and her personal feelings about the TAG program.

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Student Count **- Provided earlier in the agenda**
B. Financial Report **- Provided earlier in the agenda**
C. Attorney Fees **- None for April**
D. Overnight Travel **-** JCHS AP Lit annual trip to Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, OR, April 3 & 4, 2026

XII. FUTURE MEETINGS

A. May 4 - Budget Committee Meeting - 5:30 p.m., District Office
B. May 11 - Budget Committee Meeting (if necessary) - 5:30 p.m., District Office
C. May 13 - School Board Progress Monitoring Work Session #3 - 6:00 p.m., JCHS Collaboration Space
D. May 18 - School Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m., District Office
E. June 22 - Budget Hearing - 5:45 p.m., District Office
F. June 22 - School Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m., District Office

Adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

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Chair, Board of Directors