Call to Order:
Mr. William Waalkes called the Jenison Public Schools Board of Education meeting to order promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

William Waalkes, Eric Hartman, Mark Richter,
President Vice President Treasurer

Jen Postema, Craig Jenison, Amanda Peterman,
Secretary Trustee Trustee

Craig Rockwell, 
Trustee

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Tom TenBrink, Christine Marcy, Leslie Phillips,
Superintendent Director of Finance & Operations Director of Human Resources

Recognitions:

Transportation: Kip Medendorp and Nate Mioduch – State Police Bus Inspection Results
Mrs. Leslie Phillips introduced Mr. Medendorp and Mr. Mioduch. Both men have played an intricate role in ensuring the State Police bus inspections were successful, and that our students have safe transportation.

Bauerwood 4th Grade: Adrienne Ewald, Shannon Buus, Craig Westra
Mrs. Crystal Morse introduced Mr. Westra and Ms. Ewald from the 4th grade team at Bauerwood Elementary. Ms. Buus was unable to attend the meeting to be recognized. This team has developed a new behavioral system that is based around 5 character traits (Leadership, Responsibility, Respect, Resilience, and Inclusiveness). This team goes above and beyond especially to ensure students get extra help and attention when needed.

Junior High: Holly Florian, Jennifer Postema, Diana Zeitunian, Mary Golembiewski, Holly Homrich
Mr. Brett Cataldo and Mrs. Heather Breen introduced staff and volunteers for the Junior High. Ms. Florian and Mrs. Postema were recognized for their involvement in the Junior High play, Madagascar. Mrs. Zeitunian, Mrs. Golembiewski, and Ms. Homrich were recognized for their work and dedication to the Junior High students in their roles as paraprofessionals. Mrs. Golembiewski and Ms. Homrich were unable to attend the meeting to be recognized. Mrs. Zeitunian has been in her role for 3 years, and helps students with autism and cognitive impairments.
Recess:
Mr. Waalkes called a recess of the meeting at 7:21 p.m. for the purpose of congratulating those individuals who received recognition.

Reconvene:
The meeting was reconvened at 7:29 p.m.

Public Comment:
1. Mrs. Holli Ward approached the School Board regarding Science Olympiad. She mentioned several people appealed the board with concerns in the fall and felt that they were not being addressed. She asked for additional dialogue regarding the program.
2. Mr. Rich VanderKlok, Jenison Education Association President, spoke on behalf of the Jenison Education Association to the School Board regarding negotiations with the district. He mentioned that JEA has addressed goals and needs with the administration.

Approval of Agenda:
Mr. Hartman moved to approve the agenda as prepared. Mrs. Peterman seconded the motion. The motion was carried 7-0.

Action Items:

1. Approval of Minutes from the January 29, 2018 Board Workshop Meeting
   a. The minutes from the January 29, 2018 Board of Education were presented to the Board for approval. The Board was given an updated version of the minutes prior the meeting.
   b. Mr. Richter moved to approve the agenda as prepared. Mrs. Peterman seconded the motion.
   c. Mrs. Postema addressed the updated version of the meeting minutes to reflect that the actions items should have a vote of 6-0 not 7-0 due to a member not being there at the time of the vote, but arrived after the action items were approved.
   d. Approval of the updated minutes as presented was carried 7-0.

2. Approval of Financial Report:
   a. Mr. Jenison moved to approve the financial report as presented. Mr. Rockwell seconded the motion. The motion was carried 7-0.

3. Approval of Board Policies Second Read:
   a. Mr. Richter moved to approve the board policies listed below as presented. Mr. Rockwell seconded the motion. The motion was carried 7-0. There were no changes made from the first read. The following policies have been recommended to be adopted:
      Policy 1130
      Policy 3110
      Policy 4110
      Policy 5320
      Policy 5340.1

4. Approval of the 2017-18 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment Resolution:
   a. Mrs. Peterman moved to approve the 2017-18 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment Resolution. Mr. Jenison seconded the motion.
   b. Mrs. Marcy reviewed the 2017-18 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment Resolution. Both revenues and expenditures are expected to increase rather evenly. Revenues are expected to increase primarily due to State Revenue, and expenditures are expected to increase including an additional increase of MPSERS. The fund balance is expected to stay relatively the same as projected.
   c. A roll call vote was taken:
      i. YEAS: Jen Postema, Eric Hartman, Craig Jenison, Craig Rockwell, Amanda Peterman, Mark Richter, and William Wallkes.
ii. NAYS: none
iii. Abstentions: none
d. The resolution was adopted by roll call of 7-0.

5. Approval of Fiber Connection:
a. Mr. Hartman moved to approve the Fiber Connection for the new building as presented. Mr. Jenison seconded the motion. The motion was carried 7-0.
b. Mrs. Marcy reviewed the Fiber Connection for the new ECC/SC Building. It has been recommended to connect with the Ottawa Intermediate School District’s fiber optic cable line rather than running a new line, which will save the district a considerable amount of money. OISD’s contractor is Western Tel-Com.

Discussion Items:

1. BoardBook
   a. Mrs. Phillips presented the BoardBook online packet software and its future use to the School Board.
   b. The BoardBook will allow better communication with the community. It is web driven software to allow for posting meeting times, agendas, minutes, etc in one central location. It will help eliminate the need for hard copies and is user friendly. The software is ADA compliant and is one of the less expensive softwares on the market.

2. Superintendent’s Report:
   a. Mr. TenBrink shared briefly what is happening in the district and other important information including the following:
      i. Winter sports teams including the boys and girls basketball teams, bowling team, and wrestling team have been having a successful season.
      ii. The High School Choir just took part in it’s annual festival and did really well.
      iii. The new building is right on schedule. The cement inside is almost all poured, painting inside is to begin, and the outside masonry is being started.
      iv. District Wide Read Out Loud (reading initiative) is beginning soon. The district will be reading a Boxcar Children book.
      v. Legislative update briefly highlighting the Governor’s recently proposed budget.

Adjournment:
1. President Waalkes adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 8:07pm.
2. President Waalkes called a closed session for the Board of Education at 8:07pm.
   a. A roll call vote was taken:
      i. YEAS: Jen Postema, Eric Hartman, Craig Jenison, Craig Rockwell, Amanda Peterman, Mark Richter, and William Waalkes.
      ii. NAYS: none
      iii. Abstentions: none
   b. The closed session began by roll call of 7-0 at 8.07pm.
3. Mr. Hartman motioned to go out of closed session. Mr. Jenison seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0. Closed session ended at 9:23pm
4. President Waalkes adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 9:23pm with acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Postema, Secretary
Jenison Public Schools Board of Education