

Summary of Jasper-Troupsburg Board of Education Meeting February 4, 2009

This summary is intended to help the Board and the Superintendent inform the community of the Jasper-Troupsburg School District about the issues the district is addressing. If anyone has a question or concern, please feel free to contact Chad C. Groff, Superintendent (792-3675).

Personnel items. The daily hours for a bus driver (Kimberly Drake) were increased from 3 hours per day to 4.16 hours per day due to the need to pick up some students at different times. The following substitute teachers were approved: Rodney Stebbins – High school.

Action items. The Board granted a parent request to have a current student remain as a non-resident student. The Board supported the decision of the superintendent to inform a non-resident student that the student will need to return to the district of residence. The volunteer coaching status of Mr. Jordan Butler was rescinded by the Board. Mrs. Mary Sherman was approved to serve on the district CSE as a parent member. We welcome Mrs. Sherman to the committee. The bids for old buses were received and approved by the Board. We were happy to have multiple companies bidding on the buses.

Policy information. The Board is continuing its review of policies. Some of the policies on the agenda will have some wording changes made and be brought back at the next meeting for a first reading. **Second Reading:** #8500 – Students with disabilities; #8501 – Special education programs and related services; #8505 – Special education services; #8520 – Appointment and training of committee on special education members.

Discussion items. I informed the Board that the bids for the high school water project will be opened on February 12. We are hoping this work can be completed during the April break. However, this will be contingent upon the equipment and parts being able to be delivered in time. If the April break is not a realistic time frame this work may need to wait until the summer. I also let them know that one of the technology engineers has visited each of the buildings multiple times to discuss the security upgrades and some of the upgrades to the computer network. This work is still in development.