



## Juvenile Services Education Program (JSEP)

JSEP Monthly Board Meeting  
Wednesday, September 6, 2023

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The meeting was streamed live and recorded  
for the public on YouTube.

### Members and Guests in Attendance

Chair Grace Reusing  
Secretary Sanjay Rai  
Dr. Tracy Durant  
Dr. Peter Leone  
Mr. Richard Stevenson III

Ms. Sharon Merriweather  
Mr. Leonard Webb  
Superintendent  
Kimberly Pogue  
Mr. David  
Domenici  
Ms. Jennifer  
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### MINUTES

- I. Welcome and Roll Call – *Chair Grace Reusing*
  - Chair Reusing noted there was a quorum
- II. Approval of Minutes-
  - Approval of August 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes- moved- Ms. Merriweather, second-Dr. Leone, Approved
- III. Public Comment: *No Public comment*
- IV. Superintendent Report - Superintendent Pogue
  - Full report attached.
  - Dr. Leone asked about pass rate for the GED: Kim Pogue noted that it will be fully disaggregated in the final report.
  - Dr. Leone noted that 90% of post-secondary credits earned appear to be at Backbone: Kim Pogue clarified that the number is highest there because of the connection with Garrett CC; JSEP is expanding MOAs with community college around the state to replicate that model and to help the students remain successful when they return home
  - Ms. Reusing asked additional questions about GED pass rate and programming: Should we look at students who have partial completion of GED and are we looking at schools who have low percentage pass rates like Cullen? Kim Pogue indicated that JSEP does track individual sections of the GED and can report that, we are looking at those pass rates by programs to fully understand and improve them
  - Jennifer Swiech, JSEP Library/Media Coordinator, shared and gave a tutorial on the JSEP One Click: Ms. Reusing noted that it would be great if it was made available to parents. It was rolled out fully with the summer curriculum. Mr. Stevenson said the teachers appreciate having it and use it daily.

**V. Subcommittee Report/Other-**

- Board members had a robust discussion of initiatives to attract more teachers, including 10 month vs 12 month calendar
- Dr. Leone gave an overview of Salary Analysis between JSEP and LEAs (worksheets attached)
- Mr. Stevenson asked for consideration of increased years of service for JSEP teachers
- Mr. Domenici spoke on the benefits of having teachers in the class on all schools days that would be a result of the 10 month schedule
- Dr. Leone noted the benefit of having public school teachers in the JSEP schools during the summer
- Chair Reusing said next step is gathering more information for October meeting
- Mr. Domenici gave staffing update

**VI. Board Comments**

- Ms. Reusing commented that we need to get OIG reports on the website
- She also commented about the challenge of having limited access to documents that are restricted to those with state email address, cannot access board documents- Mr. Domenici indicated that he would look into that issue.

**VII. New Business**

- Mr. Stevenson suggested that when we get new board member(s), we should have an in-person gathering to get to know each other. Ms. Reusing discussed sending out a survey to get availability from everyone.

**VIII. Adjournment- Motion: Dr. Durant, Second: Dr. Leone, passed**