



**Jacksonville Independent School District
Board of Trustees Special Meeting
February 21, 2011
Minutes**

The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met for a Regular Meeting on February 21, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the JISD Administration Building located at 1547 Pine Street, Jacksonville, Texas.

Present: James Houser, Jim Tarrant, Jr., Joe Casey, Dale Jamerson, Jimmy Brown, Todd Travis, and Blaine Verhelle; Superintendent – Dr. Joe Wardell

Absent: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, James Houser, announced that a quorum was present, that the meeting was duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted for the time and in the manner as required by law.

2. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATE AND TEXAS FLAGS

James Houser led the pledges of allegiance to the United States Flag and Texas Flag.

3. ACTION

A. Consider and Approve Design Development for New Elementary Campuses

Following a presentation by architect, Jeff Edwards, of Claycomb & Associates, it was moved by Joe Casey and seconded by Dale Jamerson to approve the design development for the two new elementary campuses.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Brown, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

B. Consider and Approve East Side Elementary Applied Learning Community Program

It was moved by Jimmy Brown and seconded by Joe Casey to approve the East Side Elementary Applied Learning Community (ALC) program.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Jamerson, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

C. Consider and Adopt Proposed 2011-2012 JISD School Calendar

It was moved by Jimmy Brown and seconded by Joe Casey to approve the proposed (Draft A) 2011-2012 JISD School Calendar as presented.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Jamerson, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

D. Consider and Take Possible Action to Eliminate Vision 20/20 Technology Program

Dr. Wardell reviewed information on this grant with the Board. The original grant was funded for a two year period which ends at the conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year. The only employee funded through this grant has resigned to be effective at the end of the school year.

It was moved by Jim Tarrant and seconded by Todd Travis to approve the elimination of the Vision 20/20 Technology Program.

Yeas: Houser, Casey, Brown, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

E. Review Early Notice Resignation Program and Consider Any Action Thereof

There was no action taken on this item at this time.

F. Consider and Adopt Amendments to DEC(LOCAL) Policy: *Compensation and Benefits, Leaves and Absences*

It was moved by Joe Casey and seconded by Jim Tarrant to adopt the amendments to DEC(LOCAL) policy as presented to be effective the 2011-2012 school year.

Yeas: Houser, Jamerson, Brown, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

G. Consider and Approve Resolution and Participation Agreement with Local Government Investment Cooperative ("LOGIC")

It was moved by Todd Travis and seconded by Joe Casey to approve the Resolution and Participation Agreement with LOGIC.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Jamerson, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

H. Consider and Adopt TASB Local Policy Update 89 Affecting Following Local Policies:

-- CKB(LOCAL): *Safety Program/Risk Management Accident Prevention and Reports*

-- EHDD(Local): *College Course Work/Dual Credit*

-- FD(LOCAL): *Admissions*

It was moved by Dale Jamerson and seconded by Joe Casey to adopt TASB Local Policy Update 89 as presented.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Travis, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

I. 2011 JISD Trustee Election

1. Consider and Adopt Order to Call Trustee Election for May 14, 2011

It was moved by Todd Travis and seconded by Joe Casey to adopt the Order to Call a Trustee Election for May 14, 2011.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Jamerson, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

2. Consider and Approve Joint Election Agreement with City of Jacksonville for May 14, 2011 Election

It was moved by Jimmy Brown and seconded by Joe Casey to approve the Joint Election Agreement with the City of Jacksonville for May 14, 2011.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Jamerson, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

3. Consider and Approve Election Contract with Cherokee County for Lease of Voting Equipment for May 14, 2011 Election Day and Early Voting

It was moved by Joe Casey and seconded by Dale Jamerson to approve the Election Contract with Cherokee County for Lease of Voting Equipment for the May 14, 2011 Election Day and Early Voting period.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Brown, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

- J. Consider and Approve Consent Agenda

It was moved by Joe Casey and seconded by Todd Travis to approve the consent agenda consisting of 1) minutes from the January 24, 2011 Regular Board Meeting; 2) Investment Report; 3) Business Reports; 4) ADA Summary Report; and 5) Budget Amendment #11-04.

Yeas: Houser, Tarrant, Jamerson, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Julian Haddad addressed the Board with regard to budget cuts. He suggested the possibility of all employees donating a percentage of their salary. Then, he suggested that the District write a thank you letter to employees at the end of the year and, if the financial picture is better, pay the employees back.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wardell reported:

- January 29 - February 1: JISD administrators attended TASA Midwinter Conference on Education at which there was a ceremony honoring Blue Ribbon Schools (West Side Elementary and Fred Douglass Elementary) on Monday, January 31st and Sandi Jones, West Side Principal was honored as only principal in Texas receiving Terrell H. Bell Award.
- February 2: National Signing Day – JHS seniors:
 - JaColby Scott – Navarro College, football
 - Tedrick Tilley – Tyler Junior College, football
 - Ryan Black – Tyler Junior College, football
- February 5: Cancelled school/work due to weather
- February 8: attended Moak & Casey legislative budget workshop in Plano
- JISD Sports:
 - Basketball:
 - Boys: finished 3rd in District; playoff vs. Mt. Pleasant in Longview, Tues., Feb. 22, 6:00PM
 - Girls: only 1 loss in District play – District Champions; 1st playoff game 02/15/11 - defeated Mt. Pleasant in Gladewater; 2nd playoff game 02/18/11 – defeated Mesquite Poteet; 3rd playoff game set for 02/22/11 vs. Bryan Rudder @ Buffalo @ 7:00pm

- Soccer (district play begins February 8th)
 - Boys: defeated Diboll, Palestine & Center; tied Nacogdoches
 - Girls: defeated Diboll & Center; lost to Palestine & Nacogdoches
- Tennis:
 - Lindale Tournament on:
 - Boys: Singles = 1 took 4th; Doubles – 1 team was consolation winner
 - Girls: Doubles = 1 team took 4th Place
 - Hosted Jacksonville Invitational Tournament:
 - Boys: Won 1st place with overall points
 - Girls: Took 4th Place with overall points
 - Eastman Tournament:
 - Boys Singles – JHS had 1st Place Winner
 - Girls: Took 4th Place with overall points
 - Hudson Tournament:
 - Boys Doubles – consolation winner
 - Girls Doubles – consolation winner
- Golf: Lufkin Tournament – JHS boy took 4th place
- Softball: have begun pre-season scrimmages; statistical leader after 7 games
- Baseball: pre-season practices; tied JHS Alumni team 4-4 in Alumni Game
- JMS Band – UIL Solo & Ensemble Contest, Feb. 19 @ Lindale
 - 1st Division: 105 JMS Students
 - 2nd Division: 25 JMS Students
 - Band Director, Joseph Brunson, said students worked extremely hard

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

No new items were suggested by board members for a future agenda. Mr. Houser stated that the item that Joe Casey suggested at the last board meeting regarding the names of the two elementary schools planned for construction will be on the March agenda.

9. CLOSED SESSION

In Closed Session the Board met from 8:58 p.m. until 10:10 p.m.

10. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION FOR ACTION RELATIVE TO ITEMS CONSIDERED DURING CLOSED SESSION

There were no items discussed in Closed Session requiring action by the Board.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned.

James Houser
Board President

Joe Casey
Board Secretary