



**Jacksonville Independent School District  
Board of Trustees Special Meeting  
June 20, 2011  
Minutes**

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The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met for a Regular Meeting on June 20, 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, Joe Casey, Dale Jamerson, Jimmy Brown, Todd Travis, and Blaine Verhelle; Superintendent – Dr. Joe Wardell  
Absent: Jeff Horton (arrived at 8:40 p.m. – attended closed session only)

**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.

*[Item 5.B. taken out of order and presented at this point in agenda.]*

*[Item 5.C. taken out of order and presented at this point in agenda.]*

**3. REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS**

**A. Preliminary TAKS Results for 2010-2011**

Judy Terry reported the preliminary results of TAKS testing for 2010-11 and added that final results will be available later in the summer. Annual assessment testing includes TAKS, TAKS-LAT, TAKS-Accommodated, TAKS-Accommodated-LAT, TAKS-M, TAKS-M-LAT, TAKS-Alt, and TELPAS. Ms. Terry added that this year's ratings will not be formulated using the TPM (Texas Projection Measure).

<b>PRELIMINARY 2009-2010 TAKS</b>	<b>Projected Rating</b>	<b>Reading / L. Arts</b>	<b>Writing</b>	<b>Math</b>	<b>Science</b>	<b>Social Studies</b>
District	Acceptable	91%	97%	87%	82%	94%
JHS	Acceptable	92%	n/a	76%	78%	94%
JMS	Acceptable	90%	97%	88%	79%	95%
Nichols Inter.	Recognized	90%	n/a	92%	89%	n/a
East Side Elem.	Acceptable	87%	95%	88%	n/a	n/a
West Side Elem.	Exemplary	97%	100%	100%	n/a	n/a
Joe Wright Elem.	Recognized	93%	94%	94%	n/a	n/a
Fred Douglass El.	Exemplary	95%	97%	97%	n/a	n/a

**B. Auction for JHS 300 Building Contents**

Mike Pope gave a brief accounting of the contents from the JHS 300 building that will be demolished for the JHS renovation project. He advised the Board that all contents that will not be used in another location will be auctioned on-line. The exact dates for the on-line auction have not yet been determined.

### **C. Transportation Department Annual Report**

Lindy Finley gave an annual report on the Transportation Department highlighting the total cost of transportation, base cost (including capital outlay net), annual miles driven, cost per mile, and average cost per gallon of fuel. It was noted that;

- the base cost of transportation operations has decreased since JISD reclaimed operation of transportation from Southwest Transportation in 2001-02;
- the route cost per mile had decreased from the previous year; and
- fuel cost had increased from the previous two years but was less than in 2007-08.

Ms. Finley explained that the Transportation Department has become more efficient by plan. Over the last five years JISD Transportation has:

- implemented the student exchange at the JMS campus in the afternoons to avoid each bus stopping at each campus;
- implemented new routing Transfinder software to make routes more efficient;
- adjusted morning student exchanges;
- established a satellite Transportation Department at the Compass Center for southern routes;
- enacted a No Idle Policy; and
- eliminated routes where possible.

### **D. Food Service Department Annual Report**

Clay Carter reminded board members that the district had hired TASBO in 2009 to conduct a Food Service Review. The JISD Food Service Department has addressed all but one of the twelve recommendations by TASBO which is the purchase of a refrigerated truck for transporting commodities from the warehouse to the campus kitchens. With regard to TASBO's recommendations, the department has reduced and rearranged staff and increased the practice of batch cooking and waste monitoring for an approximate savings of \$155,440. Additionally, with an excess of \$169,000 in the Food Service Fund Balance, Mr. Carter reported that he was able to purchase several equipment items for the kitchens that were included in the TASBO recommendations.

Mr. Carter also reported that for 2010-11:

- total meals served annually in JISD cafeterias have increased to 1,040,000 from 940,000 in 2006-07;
- all JISD cafeterias received a 100% on all Fall and Spring health inspections conducted by the county;
- the JISD Food Service Department earned the 2010-11 "Clean Pipe Award" for the second year in a row from the City of Jacksonville for having no wastewater grease violations.

Mr. Carter concluded his report with short term and long term goals for his department. He also reported on new school lunch guidelines and restrictions. He added that effective July 1, 2011 schools are required to charge students for paid meals at a price that is on average equal to the difference between free meal reimbursement and paid meal reimbursement. The USDA will allow school districts to adjust prices in timely increments or at the discretion of the School

Board. His recommendation to the Board at this time is to increase school lunches 5¢ across the board for 2011-12.

**5. ACTION**

**A. Consider and Approve Increase in Lunch Prices Effective 2011-2012 School Year**

It was moved by Dale Jamerson and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to approve an increase of 5¢ in lunch prices for all campuses to be effective for the 2011-12 school year.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Casey, Brown, and Travis

Nays: None

*[This item taken out of order immediately following Pledges of Allegiance.]*

**B. Review the Bids on the Qualified School Construction Bonds, Adopt the Order Authorizing the Issuance of the Bonds and Take All Necessary Action Thereof**

Doug Whitt of Southwest Securities, Inc. presented information regarding the bidding on the sale of the \$7.2 million in Qualified School Construction Bonds. He reported that the District will have net of 0% interest which will save the District approximately \$3.5 million in interest on these bonds. It was moved by Jimmy Brown and seconded by Todd Travis to adopt the Order authorizing the issuance of the Qualified School Construction Bonds, and take all necessary action thereof.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Jamerson, Casey, and Verhelle

Nays: None

*[This item taken out of order immediately following item 5.B. which was also taken out of order following the Pledges of Allegiance.]*

**C. Consider and Approve Design Plans for Fred Douglass Elementary Additions and Renovations and Authorize Architects to Proceed to Construction Documents Phase**

Following a presentation of the proposed renovations/additions to Fred Douglass Elementary School by Jeff Edwards of Claycomb & Associates, it was moved by Todd Travis and seconded by Jimmy Brown to approve the design plans for the Fred Douglass Elementary additions and renovations and authorize architects to proceed to the Construction Documents Phase.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Jamerson, Casey, and Verhelle

Nays: None

**D. Consider and Approve Sealed Vendor Proposal #11003 to Supply Bread, Milk, and Juice for 2011-12 School Year**

It was moved by Joe Casey and seconded by Todd Travis to approve Flowers Bakery to provide bread products and Oak Farm Dairy to provide milk and juice products for the 2011-2012 school year.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Jamerson, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

**E. Student Insurance for 2011-12**

**1. Consider and Approve Vendor Proposal #11004 for Student Accident Insurance**

It was moved by Joe Casey and seconded by Todd Travis to approve Wilson's Sports Insurance (Plan 1) for student accident insurance for the policy period 08/01/2011 through 07/31/2012.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Jamerson, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

**2. Consider and Approve Vendor Proposal #11004 for Student Catastrophic Insurance**

It was moved by Dale Jamerson and seconded by Joe Casey to approve Wilson's Sports Insurance (Plan 1) for catastrophic student insurance for the 2011-12 school year.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Brown, Travis, and Verhelle

Nays: None

**F. Consider and Adopt Resolution of Annual Review of Audit of Activity Funds for 2010-2011**

It was moved by Joe Casey and seconded by Todd Travis to adopt the Resolution of Annual Review of Audit of Activity Funds for 2010-11.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Jamerson, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

**G. Consider and Adopt TASB Policy Update 90 Affecting Local Policies:**

...BBDILOCAL): Board Members - Training and Orientation

...BBI(LOCAL): Board Members - Technology Resources and Electronic Communications

...CQ(LOCAL): Technology Resources

...CY(LOCAL): Intellectual Property

...EFE(LOCAL): Instructional Resources - Copyrighted Material

...EI(LOCAL): Academic Achievement

...EIB(LOCAL): Academic Achievement - Homework

...FMH(LOCAL): Student Activities - Commencement

...FNC(LOCAL): Student Rights and Responsibilities - Student Conduct

...FNCE(LOCAL): Student Conduct - Personal Telecommunications/Electronic Devices

It was moved by Dale Jamerson and seconded by Todd Travis to adopt TASB Policy Update 90 as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Casey, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

**H. 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 May 23, 2011 Regular Board Meeting; 2) Investment Report; 3) Business Reports; 4) current amended budget; 5) ADA Summary Report; and 6) donation of \$1000 from John Ross to the JHS Athletic Department for equipment; and 7) donation of \$1000 from The Feinstein Foundation to West Side Elementary School for Water Day.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Jamerson, Brown, and Verhelle

Nays: None

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one signed to address the Board.

## 7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wardell reported:

- Enrollment: end of year enrollment was 4883, which is 88 students more/less students than the last day of 2009-2010
- June 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>: held principal evaluations
- Applied Learning Community: commitment letters mailed out to parents; plans are set for two sections of Kindergarten and two sections of 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
- Contractor Vendor Fair:
  - Hosted by Pogue Construction of McKinney, Texas
  - June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00noon until 3:00pm @ Norman Center
  - Prospective vendors began arriving at 11:30am
  - Bids on the two elementary schools are due June 30<sup>th</sup> and we are projecting to have the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting to present to the Board
- Purchasing Fair: JISD and the City of Jacksonville are teaming with the Chamber of Commerce to hold a "Purchasing Fair" to be scheduled on June 30<sup>th</sup> for local vendors to meet and hear information on purchasing procedures for the school district.
- School Finance:
  - gave presentation to Rotary Club on June 1<sup>st</sup>
  - attending Moak & Casey Legislative Pipeline on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, in Austin
- Status of Principal Vacancies:
  - East Side Elementary School: posted; will soon start scheduling interviews
  - Compass Center: have completed several interviews; working on getting person under contract

## 8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

No new items were suggested by board members for a future agenda.

## 9. CLOSED SESSION

In Closed Session the Board met from 9:06 p.m. until 10:44 p.m.

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

No action was taken on items discussed in closed session.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

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

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James Houser  
Board President

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Joe Casey  
Board Secretary