



**Jacksonville Independent School District**  
**Board of Trustees Budget Workshop and Regular Meeting**  
**July 30, 2012**  
**Minutes**

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The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met on June 30, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. for a Budget Workshop followed by a Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the JISD Administration Building located at 1547 Pine Street, Jacksonville, Texas.

Present: James Houser, Todd Travis, Jimmy Brown, Blaine Verhelle, Jeff Horton, Dean Dublin, and Randy McCown; Superintendent – Dr. Joe Wardell

Absent: None

**1. BUDGET WORKSHOP**

A. Call to Order

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

B. Discussion of Items Pertaining to 2012-13 JISD Budget

Lindy Finley presented the preliminary budget for the 2011-12 school year. The proposed balanced budget of \$34,621,553 includes:

- all returning teachers, librarians and R.N.'s will advance one step on the JISD Teacher's Salary Schedule; and
- other staff will receive a 2% increase on the mid-point of their pay range.

Also presented was a Food Service Budget of \$2,944,900 and Debt Service Budget of \$3,634,334.

This preliminary presentation of the budget focused on a historical analysis of the District's budget to inform new board members and refresh existing board members. The proposed budget will be presented in more detail at the Public Hearing on the Proposed 2012-13 Budget and Tax Rate scheduled for August 27, 2012, pending approval of this date by the Board.

C. Adjournment

There being no further discussion on the proposed 2012-13 budget, the workshop was adjourned.

**2. REGULAR MEETING**

A. 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.

B. Pledges of Allegiance to United States and Texas Flags

James Houser led the pledges of allegiance to both flags.

F. Superintendent's Report (*taken out of agenda order*)

Dr. Wardell reported:

- U.S. Microsoft Excel 2007 Finalist: Certiport (sole provider of Microsoft certifications) announced Gabriela Tavera of Jacksonville Independent School District was selected as one of the top 6 finalists (out of 250,000 students) in the United States Competition on Microsoft Office software. Miss Tavera will represent the United States in Microsoft Excel 2007 at the final round of the Worldwide Competition on Microsoft Office in Las Vegas, Nevada July 29 – August 1, 2012.
- North America Teacher of the Year 2012: JHS CTE Teacher, Chuck Silvertooth, has been named by Certiport as the North America Teacher of the year for 2012. He will receive an award and be recognized for his achievements at the Worldwide Competition on Microsoft Office to be held in Las Vegas, Nevada on July 29-August 1, 2012.
- July 16<sup>th</sup>: attended Chamber Luncheon for Jacksonville Daily Progress Publisher, Lange Svehlak
- July 24<sup>th</sup>: presented construction update to Lions Club
- July 26<sup>th</sup>: presented construction update to Kiwanis Club

As part of the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Wardell invited Jeff Edwards of Claycomb & Associates Architects to update the Board on the bond construction progress:

- Joe Wright Elementary (89.6% complete)
  - Gymnasium floor preparation underway
  - Dining and Commons Areas floor installed
  - Kitchen equipment installation proceeding
  - Library furniture installed
  - Administration finished proceeding
  - Acoustical panel installation proceeding
  - Exterior canopy installation proceeding
  - Exterior grading and fencing proceeding
  - Next: gym flooring; completion of finishes; completion of paving and sidewalks; exterior signage and flagpole; landscaping
- East Side Elementary (84.9% complete)
  - Demolition of the existing building complete
  - Site grading and paving preparation underway
  - Interior finishes for walls and ceilings nearing completion
  - Interior flooring for Commons Areas underway
  - Acoustical panels being installed
  - Classroom projector mounts and wiring in progress
  - Classroom casework installed
  - Toilet partitions in progress
  - Stage sub-floor complete
  - Next: site paving; finish flooring for classrooms; gym flooring; exterior canopies
- Fred Douglass Elementary (43.3% complete)
  - Addition exterior stud framing and sheathing installed
  - Insulation and interior drywall proceeding
  - Addition roof installed
  - MEP rough-in proceeding
  - Library skylight replaced
  - Renovation painting proceeding
  - Renovation areas ceiling grid installing

- Site demolition and paving proceeding
- Next: exterior windows; interior doors; painting and finishes; kitchen equipment; site paving
- Jacksonville High School (40.9%)
  - Science foundation being prepped for slab
  - Dining/Kitchen joist and decking installed
  - Dining/Kitchen stud wall construction proceeding
  - MEP rough-in proceeding for addition and renovation
  - Foundation for breezeway and corridor complete
  - Office renovation drywall proceeding
  - Next: temporary student pathway construction; carton form concrete foundations; renovation ceilings and finishes; addition area sheathing and roofing; addition area masonry

#### C. Reports / Discussions / Information

##### 1. JISD Athletic Programs

Athletic Director, Coach Chris Taber, presented to the Board a recap of planning for 2012-13 athletics. In his report, Coach Taber noted immediate needs that have been met with regard to equipment, coaching personnel, and scheduling. He indicated that he and the coaching staff have had several meetings with regard to unifying the athletic department on code of conduct for athletes and coaches, professional coaching attire, professional workplace environment, etc. to make sure that the entire department is in agreement. He emphasized that coaches in all areas of sports will meet with parents and booster clubs to keep them informed. During the summer months, a football camp was held and free physicals were offered to the athletes on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Coach Taber advised the Board that most of his coaches have coached in more than one sport. He concluded by stating that he is dedicated to the success of all sports in the program.

##### 2. Statistics on 2012 Graduating Class

Judy Terry reported that the graduating Class of 2012 consisted of 257 students. From this number of graduates, 227 (88%) of them started at JHS as freshmen. The enrollment for this 2012 graduating class as freshmen was originally 328 students, and Ms. Terry reported on various school districts that were attended by students who left.

##### 3. Update on Visual Media District Policy Changes

Judy Terry presented to the Board for informational purposes the revised Administrative Regulation on visual media approval in classrooms. Changes reflect that no movies or videos rated "R" may be shown in the classroom at JHS and no "PG" rated movies may be shown at JMS. Prior approval from the principal is still required but no permission/approval forms will be sent home to parents.

#### D. ACTION

##### 1. Consider and Adopt TASB Localized Policy Update 94 Affecting Local Policy *FFAF(LOCAL) Wellness and Health Care Services – Care Plans*

It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Todd Travis to adopt TASB Localized Policy Update 94 as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Brown, Verhelle, Dublin, and McCown

Nays: None

2. 2012-2013 PDAS (Professional Development Assessment System)
  - a. Consider and Adopt PDAS Calendar for 2012-2013
  - b. Consider and Approve PDAS Appraisers for 2012-2013  
It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to adopt the PDAS Calendar and list of PDAS Appraisers for 2012-2013 as presented.  
Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Travis, Brown, Dublin, and McCown  
Nays: None
3. Consider and Approve Vendor Proposal #12003 for Trash Service  
It was moved by Dean Dublin and seconded by Todd Travis to approve IESI to provide the trash service for 2012-2013 with an option to renew for 2013-2014.  
Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Brown, Verhelle, Horton, and McCown  
Nays: None
4. Consider and Approve Vendor Bid #12004: Student Insurance and Student Catastrophic Insurance for 2012-2013  
It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to approve Baker Agency Inc. to provide the student accident and catastrophic insurance for the 2012/2013 school year.  
Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Travis, Brown, Verhelle, and McCown  
Nays: None
5. Resolutions Supporting Highway Expansion – Requested by Chamber of Commerce Transportation Committee
  - A. Consider and Adopt Resolution of Highway 79 Expansion from Buffalo to Carthage
  - B. Consider and Adopt Resolution for Highway 69 Expansion  
It was moved by Randy McCown and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to adopt the Resolution of Highway 79 Expansion from Buffalo to Carthage and to adopt the Resolution for Highway 69 Expansion.  
Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Travis, Brown, Horton, and Dublin  
Nays: None
6. Consider and Adopt Proposed Changes to Board Operating Procedures, Board Code of Conduct, and Superintendent Evaluation Instrument  
It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to adopt the proposed changes to the Board Operating Procedures, Board Code of Conduct and Superintendent Evaluation Instrument as presented.  
Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Travis, Brown, Verhelle, and McCown  
Nays: None
7. Consider and Set August 27, 2012 as the Date and 6:30 p.m. as the Time for a Public Hearing to Discuss Proposed 2012-13 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate of \$1.32 Comprised of \$1.04 M&O and \$.28 I&S

It was moved by Dean Dublin and seconded by Todd Travis to set August 27, 2012 as the date and 6:30 p.m. as the time for a Public Hearing to Discuss the Proposed 2012-13 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate of \$1.32 M&O and \$.28 I&S.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Brown, Verhelle, Horton, and McCown

Nays: None

8. Consider and Approve Consent Agenda

It was moved by Jimmy Brown and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of a) minutes from the June 18, 2012 regular meeting, July 9, 2012 special meeting, and July 17, 2012 special meeting; b) Investment Report; c) Business Reports; d) ADA Summary Report; and e) Current Amended Budget Report.

Yeas: Messrs. Houser, Travis, Horton, Dublin and McCown

Nays: None

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed to address the Board.

F. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT *(taken out of agenda order – placed before Item 2.C. Reports and Discussions)*

G. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

There were no items suggested by board members for future agendas.

H. CLOSED SESSION

In Closed Session the Board met from 7:41 p.m. until 8:16 p.m.

A. Hiring, Termination/Retirement, or Transfer of Professional Personnel

B. Legal Matters, Student Discipline, and Real Property

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

There was no action taken on any items discussed in Closed Session.

J. ADJOURNMENT

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

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James Houser  
Board President

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Jimmy Brown  
Board Secretary