



**Jacksonville Independent School District
Board of Trustees Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
September 17, 2012
Minutes**

The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met on September 17, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. for a Regular Meeting in the Board Room of the JISD Administration Building located at 1547 Pine Street, Jacksonville, Texas.

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

Absent: James Houser (President)

1. Call to Order

Board Vice President, Todd Travis, 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

Todd Travis led the pledges of allegiance to both flags.

3. Bond Construction Update

Jeff Edwards of Claycomb & Associates updated the Board on the bond construction progress:

- Fred Douglass Elementary (80.5% complete):
 - Site paving completed
 - Dining Room Complete
 - Kitchen equipment complete
 - Mechanical yard and storage room pending
 - Exterior masonry 95%
 - Next: lockers; bleachers; gym floor; tack and market boards
- Jacksonville High School (56.7% complete):
 - Mechanical unites set on dining/kitchen
 - Concrete foundation for science labs poured
 - Exterior storefront windows for dining installing
 - Masonry work for dining continues
 - interior drywall ceilings and walls proceeding
 - quarry and ceramic tile installing
 - kitchen equipment installation started
 - Next: carton form concrete foundations; dining renovation ceilings and finishes; mechanical unit startup; masonry veneer continues; site grading and sidewalks
- East Side Elementary
 - Canopy installation proceeding
 - Drainage plan for back playground proceeding
 - Continuing with punch list
- Joe Wright Elementary
 - Installing handrails and retaining walls
 - Continuing with punch list

4. Awards / Acknowledgements

A. Introduction of Incoming New JISD Transportation Director

Lindy Finley announced that the current Transportation Director, Mr. John Keller, will be retiring at the end of September. She introduced the new Transportation Director, Mr. Mark Turney, and announced that today was his first day in the District. The new Director comes to JISD with 9.5 years of experience as the Transportation Director for Rusk ISD.

5. ACTION

A. Review the Refunding Bond Program and Adopt the Order Authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Bonds, Establish the Parameters for the Refunding, and Delegate Authority to the Administration

It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to adopt the Order Authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Bonds, establish the parameters for the refunding, and delegate authority to the Administration.

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

Nays: None

B. Consider and Approve the JISD Concussion Oversight Team for 2012-2013

It was moved by Dean Dublin and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to approve the JISD Concussion Oversight Team for 2012-2013 consisting of Dr. Todd Parrish (physician), Stephanie Wofford (nurse), and Jason Kraus (trainer).

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Brown, Horton, and McCown

Nays: None

C. Consider and Approve Consent Agenda

It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1) minutes from August 27, 2012 Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting; 2) Investment Report; 3) Business Reports; 4) Current Amended Budget; 5) Budget Amendment #13-01; 6) Budget Amendment #13-02; 7) Maintenance Work Order Report – 4th Quarter; and 8) Technology Work Order Report – 4th Quarter.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Brown, Dublin, and McCown

Nays: None

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A spokesperson for a group of four parents from Nichols Intermediate School addressed the Board with a request for the Board to consider raising the required length for girls' skirt and shorts. The group requested that the Board reconsider the length for grades 5 through 12 with regard to amending the current JISD Dress Code adopted March 19, 2012.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wardell reported:

- **Enrollment to-date:** 4893 students; enrollment – 93 students more than end of last school year
- **August 29th:** attended SportTyler Kick-Off Luncheon at UT Tyler with Coach Taber and senior athlete, Ledondrick Taylor
- **September 10th:** Opened new cafeteria for use at Fred Douglass Elementary
- **September 11th:** attended Kick-Off Luncheon for United Fund at TMF
- **September 12th:** Chamber Leadership Breakfast (did not attend - conflict with Staff Meeting)

- **September 13th:**
 - attended Roundtable Lunch with Chamber and JEDCO
 - guided tour of First Methodist Senior Group through new Joe Wright campus
- **September 14th:** attended Chamber Transportation Committee Meeting
- **September 17th:** attended Chamber meeting with new Daily Progress Editor and Publisher
- **Tomorrow – September 18th:** will attend Region 7 Teacher of the Year – two JISD nominees announced at JISD May board meeting:
 - Elementary – Abbey Kelley (East Side Elementary)
 - Secondary – Ben Peacock (JHS)
- **JHS:** last week District substituted 2 days of the JHS box lunches – 1 day was Chic-Fil-A; other day was Pizza Hut; contacted other local vendors but only Pizza Hut could handle the large volume required; this week will substitute for 3 days (2 – Chic-Fil-A, 1 – Pizza Hut)
- **JISD Sports:**
 - Indian Football: played 3 pre-district games against Carthage, Palestine, and Gilmer – playing Henderson @ Tomato Bowl this Friday
 - Maiden Volleyball: have played several games/tournaments since August 10th – will be hosting Kilgore tomorrow night (18th); 1st district game this Friday (21st) against John Tyler
 - JHS Fall Tennis: have played several tournaments since August 10th; began district play on September 11th at John Tyler; play 2nd district tournament tomorrow (18th) at Whitehouse
 - JHS Cross Country: competing since September 1st; will host tournament on September 29th and will host District 16-4A Tournament on October 25th

10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

No items for future agendas were requested by any board members.

11. CLOSED SESSION

In Closed Session the Board met from 7:20 p.m. until 8:06 p.m.

- A. Hiring, Termination/Retirement, or Transfer of Professional Personnel
- B. Legal Matters, Student Discipline, and Real Property

12. 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.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

James Houser
Board President

Jimmy Brown
Board Secretary