



**Jacksonville Independent School District
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
January 28, 2013
Minutes**

The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met on January 28, 2013 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

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

Matt Clowers of Pogue Construction updated the Board on the bond construction progress at the Jacksonville High School campus:

- Science Addition nearing completion (punch list ongoing)
- Band Hall new stud wall construction proceeding
- Band Hall mechanical ductwork proceeding
- Band Hall plumbing rough-in proceeding
- Band Hall electrical rough-in proceeding
- Connector Hall structural foundation installed
- Connector Hall steps and ramps proceeding
- Connector steel structure installed
- Connector misc. steel proceeding
- Connector decking proceeding
- Site grading for Band Area
- Site utilities for Band and Science
- Next: Connector exterior walls; Connector roof; Connector MEP rough-in; Band Hall driveway; Band Hall ceilings; Band Hall finishes and fixtures

4. Recognition of 2012-13 JISD Board of Trustees

January is Board Recognition Month. To show appreciation this year each campus made a presentation to their liaison board member of various gifts ranging from posters and gift baskets, some including projects made by students. Also, each campus principal personally presented their liaison board member with a framed certificate thanking them for their service to the students of JISD and the community.

5. Reports / Discussions / Information

A. May 11, 2013 School Board Election

Mr. Travis briefly recapped the following information and dates regarding the 2013 JISD School Board Election:

- Board Seats for Election
 - Place 1 (currently Jeff Horton)
 - Place 2 (currently Blaine Verhelle)
- Apply to Run for School Board
 - First Day to Apply: January 30, 2013 (Wednesday); Begins – 8:00am
 - Deadline for Application: March 1, 2013 (Monday); Ends - 5:00pm
 - Location – Where to Apply:
 - JISD Administration Bldg., 1547 Pine St. – Superintendent’s Office
 - Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm
- Register to Vote – Deadline for School Board Election
 - Last Day to Register to Vote for this School Board Election (if not already registered) April 11, 2013 (Thursday) – received (30 days before election)
- Apply for Ballot By Mail
 - First Day April 11, 2013 (Thursday)
 - Deadline May 3, 2013 (received – not postmarked)
- Early Voting in Person: Jacksonville Public Library, 502 S. Jackson
 - First Day April 29, 2013 (Monday) Mon-Fri: 8:00am-5:00pm
 - Last Day May 7, 2013 (Tuesday)
 - Mon-Tues: 8:00am-5:00pm
- Election Day Voting: Jacksonville Public Library, 502 S. Jackson
 - May 11, 2013 (Saturday) 7:00am – 7:00pm

B. Dedication Ceremonies for New Campuses – February 3, 2013

- Joe Wright Elementary – 2:00 p.m.
- East Side Elementary – 4:00 p.m.

Dr. Wardell reminded Board members, and those present at the meeting, of the upcoming building dedication ceremonies to be held on Sunday, February 3rd, at the two new elementary campuses.

C. Notice of Region 7 Board of Directors Vacancy and Election

Dr. Wardell explained that the Region 7 Educational Service Center is governed by a Board of Directors which is representative from the counties within the region. Cherokee County and Smith County have both been represented by Mr. Phil Woods of Bullard who recently passed away creating a vacancy on the Region 7 Board of Directors. The school districts in this area have been asked to post the vacancy for this position for an upcoming election.

6. Action

A. Consider and Adopt Resolution of Annual Review of JISD Investment Policy

It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to adopt the Resolution of Annual Review of JISD Investment Policy as presented.

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

Nays: None

B. Consider and Approve Vendor Bid #13001 for Custodial Supplies and Related Materials

It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to approve the vendor bids as recommended by District administrators for custodial supplies and related materials.

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

Nays: None

C. Consider and Approve Early Notice Resignation Program

It was moved by Dean Dublin and seconded by Jeff Horton to approve the Early Notice Resignation Stipend Program to be offered to JISD employees by JISD Administration only when deemed necessary and with a provision that an employee must pay back the stipend in full if re-hired by the District for the next school year.

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

Nays: None

D. Consider and Approve Extension of Superintendent Contract

It was moved by Jimmy Brown and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to extend the contractual agreement with Dr. Joe Wardell, Superintendent, through June 30, 2016, keeping his contract with the District at 3 years. The new contract will become effective July 1, 2013, and the salary will be \$159,000.

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

Nays: None

E. Consider and Approve Consent Agenda

It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to approve the consent agenda consisting of: 1) minutes from December 17, 2012 Regular Board Meeting and January 7, 2013 Winter Board Retreat; 2) Investment Report; 3) Business Reports; 4) ADA Summary Report; and 5) Budget Amendment #13-04 and Current Amended Budget.

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

Nays: None

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed to address the Board.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wardell reported:

- o Enrollment to-date: **4842** students; enrollment – **42** students **more** than end of last school year
- o December 19: participated as Celebrity Reader at West Side Elementary
- o December 20: presentation by ALC (Applied Learning Center) students of East Side Elementary on possible locations on campus for Reading Garden – JISD Administration to decide which location
- o January 7: Winter Board Retreat to conduct annual superintendent evaluation
- o January 8: attended JEF (Jacksonville Education Foundation) Board Meeting at Joe Wright Elementary campus
- o January 14: attended Lon Morris College property auction in Dallas
- o January 22: attended JEF Board Meeting – welcomed new board members
- o JISD Sports:

- Indian Basketball: 28-0; 4-0 District
- Maiden Basketball: 17-11; 3-4 District
- JHS Indians/Maidens Soccer: playing pre-season scrimmages/tournaments – district play begins for both on February 12th against Nacogdoches
- JHS Indian Soccer: won Pine Tree Tournament this past weekend
- JHS Maiden Soccer: won Hallsville Tournament this past weekend
- JHS Maiden Softball: practice started January 18th
- JHS Indian Baseball: practice started January 25th

10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

Board member, Dean Dublin, requested that an item be placed on the next board agenda to discuss possible markings on the exit driveway at Fred Douglass Elementary School.

11. CLOSED SESSION

In Closed Session the Board met from 7:19 p.m. until 8:20 p.m.

- A. Presentation of Revised Multi-Hazard Emergency Operation Plans
- B. Hiring, Termination/Retirement, or Transfer of Professional Personnel
- C. Legal Matters, Student Discipline, and Real Property

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

The Board of Trustees reconvened open session to take action on the following item:
It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to approve the revised Multi-Hazard Emergency Operations Plans (MEOP) as presented.

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

Nays: None

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

James Houser
Board President

Jimmy Brown
Board Secretary