



Jacksonville Independent School District
Board of Trustees Budget Workshop & Regular Meeting
July 29, 2013
Minutes

The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met on July 29, 2013 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 new JISD Administration Building located at 800 College Avenue in Jacksonville, Texas.

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

Absent: James Houser

1. BUDGET WORKSHOP

A. CALL TO ORDER – BUDGET WORKSHOP

Board President, Todd Travis, announced that a quorum was present, that the Hearing 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 2013-14 JISD Budget

Lindy Finley presented the preliminary budget for the 2013-14 school year. The proposed balanced budget of \$35,427,428 includes:

- an increase of \$1,000 per step for the Teacher's Pay Scale; all returning teachers, librarians and R.N.'s will also advance one step on the JISD Teacher's Salary Schedule;
- other professional staff will receive a 3% increase on the mid-point of their pay range; and
- all other staff will receive a 4% increase on the mid-point of their pay range.

Also presented was a Food Service Budget of \$2,681,950 and Debt Service Budget of \$4,277,557.

This preliminary presentation of the budget focused on the legislative impact on the District's state funding. The proposed budget will be presented in more detail at the Public Hearing on the Proposed 2013-14 Budget and Tax Rate scheduled for August 26, 2013.

C. Adjournment

There being no further discussion on this matter, the hearing was adjourned.

2. REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

Board 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.

B. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATE AND TEXAS FLAGS

Todd Travis led the pledges of allegiance to both flags.

C. REPORTS / DISCUSSIONS

1. JISD Transportation Department Annual Report

Mark Turney and Jonathan Lewis gave an update on the JISD Transportation Department. Information included number of routes as well as number of riders and drivers. Also included were costs, age of busses, improvements made in 2012-13, and goals for 2013-14.

D. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consider and Adopt 2013-2014 JISD Student Code of Conduct

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to adopt the 2013-2014 JISD Student Code of Conduct as presented.

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

Nays: None

2. 2013-2014 PDAS (Professional Development Assessment System)

a. Consider and Adopt PDAS Calendar for 2013-2014

b. Consider and Approve PDAS Appraisers for 2013-2014

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and seconded by Jeff Horton to adopt the 2013-2014 PDAS Calendar as presented with one amendment changing the deadline date on "Teacher Self-Report, Sections II & III" from August 46, 2014 to August 4, 2014.

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

Nays: None

3. Consider and Set August 26, 2013 as the Date and 6:30 p.m. as the Time for a Public Hearing to Discuss Proposed 2013-14 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate of \$1.32 Comprised of \$1.04 M&O and \$.28 I&S

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to set August 25, 2013 as the date and 6:30 p.m. as the time for a Public Hearing to discuss the proposed 2013-14 Budget and proposed Tax Rate of \$1.32 comprised of \$1.04 M&O and \$.28 I&S.

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

Nays: None

4. Consider and Approve Proposed Parking Lot Construction Project for New JISD Gymnasium Located at 811 Farnsworth Street, Jacksonville, Texas

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to approve requesting bids for parking lot construction at the new JSID Gymnasium located at 811 Farnsworth Street, Jacksonville, Texas; and also approve JISD Administration returning to the City of Jacksonville to determine minimum requirements for parking lot construction.

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

Nays: None

5. **Consider and Grant Approval to Contract with Verizon for Pole Leasing Services to Enable Internet Services at 800 College Avenue and 811 Farnsworth Street (New JISD Administration Building and New JISD Gymnasium)**

There was no action taken on this item.

6. **Consider and Approve Extending the Current Agreements for All Architectural and Construction Needs With:
...Claycomb & Associates, Inc. as District Architect, Originally Approved 07-27-10**

...Pogue Construction as District Construction Manager-At-Risk, Originally Approved 01-24-11

A motion was made by Jimmy Brown and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to approve extending the current contracts with Claycomb & Associates, Inc. as District Architects, and Pogue Construction as District Construction Manager-At-Risk for all District architectural and construction needs.

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

Nays: None

7. **Consider and Approve Interlocal Agreement with National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance**

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and seconded by Dean Dublin to approve the Interlocal Agreement with National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance as presented.

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

Nays: None

8. **Consider and Approve Memorandum of Understanding Effective July 31, 2013 through July 31, 2014 Between Rusk State Hospital and JISD Regarding Transportation for Emergency Evacuation**

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and seconded by Randy McCown to approve the Memorandum of Understanding effective July 31, 2013 through July 31, 2014 between Rusk State Hospital and JISD regarding transportation for emergency evacuation.

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

Nays: None

9. **Consider Endorsements of Nominated Candidates for Place 7 on TASB Board of Directors**

A motion was made by Blaine Verhelle and seconded by Dean Dublin to endorse Ms. Andrea Self of Lufkin ISD as a candidate for Place 7 on the TASB Board of Directors.

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

Nays: None

10. Consider and Approve Consent Agenda

It was moved by Jeff Horton and seconded by Blaine Verhelle to approve the consent agenda consisting of: a) minutes of the June 20, 2013 regular board meeting; b) investment report; c) finance reports; d) ADA summary report; e) current amended budget; and f) donation from Texas National Bank to JHS Athletics of a scoreboard for Mauldin Field valued at \$14,220.

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

Nays: None

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed to address the Board of Trustees.

F. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wardell reported:

- Dr. Leslie George elected to House of Delegates of TCASE (Texas Council of Administrators of Special Education)
- East Side Elementary Principal, Holly Searcy, replaces Laurie Greathouse as the new Nichols Intermediate Principal
- Jodi Alderete promoted from East Side Elementary Assistant Principal to Principal replacing Holly Searcy – Jodi will be interviewing to hire new Assistant Principal
- Administrative Appraisals/Evaluations completed for 2012-13
- Update on New JISD Administrative Offices and JISD Gymnasium
- August 9th: attended Chamber After-Hours Event at Jacksonville Title Company honoring Randy, Josh, and Luke McCown
- JISD Facilities Committee: attended planning meetings on June 18th (JHS), July 2nd (new admin. bldg.), and July 16th (East Side) next meeting to be held July 30th (Fred Douglass)
- Update on proposed sales of old Joe Wright Elementary campus
- Upcoming Events:
 - **Thursday – August 15th:**
 - ***Evening with the Stars***
 - 5:30-7:00pm at Castle on the Lake
 - JEF (Jacksonville Education Foundation) Honoring Sissy Austin and John Alexander
 - \$50/ticket – fundraiser for JEF
 - **Friday – August 16th:**
 - ***Breakfast of Champions (catered by Sadlers)***
 - 6:30am at Event Room/Sadler's Restaurant
 - Honoring John Alexander
 - Maximum of 20 people
 - \$50/ticket – fundraiser for JEF
 - ***JISD Convocation***
 - 8:30-11:00am at New JISD Gymnasium
 - ***Lunch with Sissy (catered by Sadlers)***
 - 12:00 noon at home of Jana & Barry Autry
 - Honoring Sissy Austin
 - Maximum of 20 people
 - \$75/ticket – fundraiser for JEF

G. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

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

H. CLOSED SESSION

In Closed Session the Board met from 7:51 p.m. until 10:10 p.m.

- A. Legal Matters, Student Discipline and Other Items for Closed Session
- B. Hiring, Termination/Retirement, or Transfer of Professional Personnel

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

No action was taken by the Board upon any items discussed during closed session.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Todd Travis
Board President

Jimmy Brown
Board Secretary