



**Jacksonville Independent School District  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting  
January 26, 2015  
Minutes**

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The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met on January 26, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. for a Regular Meeting in the Board Room of the JISD Administration Building located at 800 College Avenue in Jacksonville, Texas.

Present: Todd Travis, Jeff Horton, Blaine Verhelle, Dean Dublin, Randy McCown, Al Chavira and Cassie Devillier; Superintendent – Dr. Joe Wardell

Absent: None

**1. Call to Order**

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.

**2. Pledges of Allegiance to Flags**

Todd Travis led both pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

**3. Recognition of JISD Board Members**

In appreciation of the 2014-15 JISD Board of Trustees, each campus presented a gift basket to their liaison board member. Also, Dr. Wardell presented each board member with a framed certificate thanking them for their service to the students of JISD and the community.

**4. Bond Construction Update**

Mark Rauzi of Claycomb Associates Architects gave a brief update to the Board on the current bond construction.

- West Side Elementary (39% complete)
  - Parent drive concrete poured (90%)
  - Completed structural steel frame
  - Continue roof joist & deck
  - Began exterior stud installation & sheathing
  - Began HVAC duct installation
  - Began electrical overhead rough-in
  - Site utilities 99% complete
  - Next: continue fire proofing; continue exterior studs & sheathing; begin roof membrane installation; begin exterior brick veneer; site drives & parking
- Nichols Intermediate (75% complete)
  - Brick veneer complete
  - Roofing 95% complete
  - RTU's installed
  - Main entry canopy complete
  - Rear canopies complete
  - Window install complete
  - Began ceiling grid installation
  - Next: commission HVAC; install ceiling grid, tile, HVAC & lights; interior paint; begin installation of millwork

**5. Reports / Discussions**

**A. May 9, 2015 School Board Election – Important Dates**

Dates and information regarding the May 9, 2015 JISD School Board Election were discussed. It was noted that the filing period for interested candidates will begin on Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 a.m. The Board will order the election at the February regular board meeting.

**B. Discussion of February Board Meeting Dates**

Board members discussed their upcoming calendar of six (6) board meetings scheduled for February and noted that the regular February board meeting will be on the 23<sup>rd</sup> rather than the 16<sup>th</sup> which is a student/staff holiday.

**6. Action Items**

**A. Consider and Approve Construction Manager at Risk as the Project Delivery Method for Construction of the JHS Additions (Girls' Dressing Facilities)**

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and a second by Dean Dublin to approve Construction Manager at Risk as the project delivery method for construction of the JISD Girls Complex.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Verhelle, McCown, Chavira and Ms. Devillier

Nays: None

**B. Consider and Approve Design Plans for JHS Additions (Girls' Dressing Facilities) and Authorize the Architects to Proceed Into the Design Development Phase**

A motion was made by Randy McCown and a second by Dean Dublin to approve the design plans for the JISD Girls Complex and authorize the architects to proceed into the Design Development Phase.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, Verhelle, Chavira and Ms. Devillier

Nays: None

**C. Consider and Approve Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement Between Jacksonville ISD and Stephen F. Austin State University**

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Blaine Verhelle to approve the Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement between Jacksonville ISD and Stephen F. Austin State University as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, McCown, Chavira and Ms. Devillier

Nays: None

**D. Consider and Adopt TASB Local Policy Update 101 Affecting Local Policies**

.....BE(LOCAL): Board Meetings

.....CH(LOCAL): Purchasing and Acquisition

.....DGBA(LOCAL): Personnel-Management Relations - Employee Complaints/Grievances

.....EB(LOCAL): School Year

.....EHBC(LOCAL): Special Programs - Compensatory/Accelerated Services

.....EIAB(LOCAL): Grading/Progress Reports to Parents - Makeup Work

.....FFG(LOCAL): Student Welfare - Child Abuse and Neglect

.....FNG(LOCAL): Student Rights and Responsibilities - Student and Parent Complaints/Grievances

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Jeff Horton to adopt TASB Local Policy Update 101 as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Verhelle, McCown, Chavira and Ms. Devillier

Nays: None

**E. Consider and Adopt Resolution of Annual Review of JISD Investment Policy**

A motion was made by Cassie Devillier and a second by Dean Dublin to adopt the Resolution of Annual Review of JISD Investment Policy.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, Verhelle, McCown and Chavira

Nays: None

**F. Consider and Approve Purchase of Band Uniforms**

A motion was made by Al Chavira and a second by Cassie Devillier to approve the purchase of band uniforms from DeMoulin Brothers in the amount of \$146,741.

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

Nays: None

**G. Consider and Approve Vendor Bid #15002 for Custodial Supplies and Related Materials**

A motion was made by Cassie Devillier and a second by Dean Dublin to approve the vendor bids as recommended by District administrators for custodial supplies and related materials.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, Verhelle, McCown and Chavira

Nays: None

**H. Consider and Approve Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Blaine Verhelle to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the December 9, 2014 Special Meeting, December 15, 2014 Public Hearing/Regular Meeting, and January 13, 2015 Special Meeting; monthly investment report; monthly financial reports; monthly ADA summary report; Budget Amendment #15-03; and current amended budget report.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, McCown, Chavira and Ms. Devillier

Nays: None

**7. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one signed to address the Board of Trustees.

**8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Wardell reported:

- Enrollment: **4949** students, **82** students **more** than end of last school year
- January 5<sup>th</sup> – Employees returned from Christmas Break for a Staff Development Day
- January 6<sup>th</sup> – Students returned from Christmas Break to begin Spring Semester
- January 13<sup>th</sup> – Chamber Leadership Group toured Central Office, West Side Elementary, East Side Elementary and JHS
- Later this week: JISD Chamber Members will attend the Annual Chamber Banquet, Thursday, 5:15pm, at the Norman Center
- Superintendent Search Update
  - January 20-22: Board conducted 6 initial interviews
  - February 3-5: Board will conduct 3 final interviews
  - February 10: Board has option to visit home district of proposed lone finalist
  - February 11: Board will name lone finalist at Special Board Meeting
  - March 5: Board will vote to hire new superintendent at Special Board Meeting
- Sports
  - Football: National Signing Day is next Wednesday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00am in the JHS Library
  - Tennis: Spring season play began January 20<sup>th</sup> in Tyler and the team will travel to Wills Point to play tomorrow; JHS will host the Jacksonville Invitational tournament on February 6<sup>th</sup>

- Powerlifting: competition began January 24<sup>th</sup>; will be competing in Van, Malakoff, Chapel Hill and Bullard
- Basketball:
  - Boys: district play began December 19<sup>th</sup> at Corsicana; have played Lindale, John Tyler, Lufkin, Nacogdoches, Whitehouse; will begin second round against Corsicana tomorrow night at home
  - Girls: began district play on December 9<sup>th</sup> at Nacogdoches; began second round hosting Nacogdoches on January 20<sup>th</sup> and will host Corsicana tomorrow night
- Soccer:
  - Boys: pre-season play began January 6<sup>th</sup>; took 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Palestine Tournament and 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Longview Tournament; district play will begin February 3<sup>rd</sup> hosting Lufkin
  - Girls: playing pre-season games since January 6<sup>th</sup>; district play will begin February 3<sup>rd</sup> in Lufkin
- Track: will begin competition on February 27<sup>th</sup> in Rusk

**9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS**

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

**10. CLOSED SESSION**

In Closed Session the Board met from 7:23 p.m. until p.m. 7:53 p.m. to discuss:

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

**11. 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.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Todd Travis  
Board President

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Blaine Verhelle  
Board Secretary