



**Jacksonville Independent School District
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
March 16, 2015
Minutes**

The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met on March 16, 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.

4. Bond Construction Update

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

- West Side Elementary (50.4% complete)
 - Exterior metal studs and sheathing 95%
 - Exterior masonry veneer started
 - Roofing ongoing
 - Interior metal stud erection
 - MEP rough-in
 - Next: completion of roofing; continue masonry veneer; complete interior metal studs; continue MEP rough-in; set mechanical units; set gym equipment
- Nichols Intermediate (80.6% complete)
 - Roof coping installation proceeding
 - Band Hall tectum installation ongoing
 - Renovation to Choir and Practice Rooms
 - Band Hall ceilings
 - Classroom casework installed
 - Classroom moisture remediation
 - Next: laminate wall panels; completion of Band/Choir renovations; exterior final grading/landscaping

5. Reports / Discussions

A. SHAC (School Health Advisory Committee) Report

JISD Head Nurse, Leslie Moore, gave a report to the Board on the current health curriculum that has been established for the students by SHAC. She updated the Board on the District's programs in the areas of health and physical education; nutrition and health services; healthy and safe school environment; staff wellness promotion; and parent and community involvement.

B. Region 7 Education Service Center Board of Directors Election

Dr. Wardell informed the Board that two places (Places 2, 4 and 7) on the Region 7 ESC Board of Directors will expire this year and each place has one uncontested candidate. Therefore, there will be no election held for 2015 and these candidates will be automatically elected.

C. Discussion of Board Training Events for 2015

Following a brief discussion of the upcoming events offering training for the continuation education of board members, the Board decided to attend the TASB Summer Leadership Institute in Fort Worth on June 18-20, 2015.

5. Action Items

A. May 9, 2015 JISD School Board Election

1. Consider and Approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the May 9, 2015 JISD School Board Election

2. Consider and Adopt the Order to Cancel the May 9, 2015 JISD School Board Election Based on Unopposed Candidates

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and a second by Blaine Verhelle to approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the May 9, 2015 JISD School Board Election and adopt the Order to Cancel the election.

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

Nays: None

B. Consider and Certify that JISD Will Use the 2015-2016 Instructional Allotment to Satisfy TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge & Skills) Curriculum

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Cassie Devillier to certify that JISD will use the 2015-2016 Instructional Allotment to satisfy 100% of the TEKS curriculum.

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

Nays: None

C. Vendor Bid Proposals

1. Consider and Approve Vendor Bid Proposal 15004 for the Purchase of School Buses

A motion was made by Cassie Devillier and a second by Al Chavira to approve the purchase of three 77-passenger school buses from Longhorn Bus Company and one 47-passenger bus from Rush Bus Center for a total amount of \$363,420.

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

Mays: None

2. Consider and Approve Vendor Bid Proposal 15003 to Provide a Wireless Tech Solution

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and a second by Dean Dublin to approve East Texas Copy Systems to provide a wireless technology solution for a total amount of \$403,017.

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

Nays: None

D. Consider and Adopt Proposed 2015-2016 JISD School Calendar

A motion was made by Randy McCown and a second by Blaine Verhelle to adopt the 2015-2016 JISD School Calendar as presented.

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

Nays: None

E. Consider and Approve Student Dress Code for 2015-16

A motion was made by Cassie Devillier and a second by Jeff Horton to approve the 2015-2016 Student Dress Code as presented.

Yeas: Travis, Verhelle, Dublin, McCown, and Chavira

Nays: None

F. Consider and Adopt Resolution to Texas Legislature Regarding Full Day Pre-Kindergarten Funding

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and a second by Dean Dublin to adopt the Resolution to the Texas Legislature regarding full day pre-kindergarten funding.

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

Nays: None

G. Consider and Adopt Resolutions for Nominations to the TASB 2014 Media Honor Roll

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Cassie Devillier to adopt the Resolutions for Nominations to the TASB 2014 Media Honor Roll for:

1. Quinten Boyd (Cherokee Herald)
2. The Cherokee Herald
3. Jo Anne Embleton (Jacksonville Daily Progress)
4. Jay Neal (Jacksonville Daily Progress)
5. Jacksonville Daily Progress
6. Faith Harper (Tyler Morning Telegraph)
7. Tyler Morning Telegraph

Yeas: Travis, Horton, Verhelle, McCown and Chavira

Nays: None

H. Consider and Approve Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Cassie Devillier and a second by Jeff Horton to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes from the February 27, 2015 special meeting, March 2, 2015 regular meeting, and March 5, 2015 special meeting; monthly investment report; monthly financial reports; ADA Summary Report; Current Amended Budget Report; 2nd Quarter Maintenance Work Order Report; and 2nd Quarter Technology Work Order Report

Yeas: Messrs. Travis,

Nays: None

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed to address the Board of Trustees.

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wardell reported:

- o Enrollment: 4934 students, 67 students **more** than end of last school year

- Seniors Celebrity Dinner: held a successful fundraiser on February 21st at the JHS Cafeteria; groups of seniors divided into groups and collaborated on themes that were depicted by their table decorations and costumes.
- Rotary Youth Leadership Award Winners: These juniors were chosen to attend the RYLA Leadership Weekend recently in Athens, Texas. Senior Samantha Hammock was also invited back as a camp counselor after attending last year. These juniors each spoke briefly at the Rotary Club on February 18th about their camp experience and thanked the Club for the opportunity to attend. Congratulations Anna Murray, Kristie Savage, Brandon Lavender, and Swanson Traylor!
- Cheer Tryouts: held March 6th at the JHS Boys Gym
- Charmers Tryouts: were held February 20th
- District UIL Competition: next week (24th & 26th) in Lindale
- Cherokee County Junior Livestock Show: next week on March 26th-28th
- Charmers Spring Show: March 28th, 7:00pm at JHS Auditorium
- Pre-K and Kindergarten Early Registration: first registration will be held March 25-26 at the JISD Administration Building
- JEF Evening with the Stars: "Save the Date" announcements will be mailed soon announcing that the 2015 Evening with the Stars sponsored by the Jacksonville Education Foundation will be held on August 13, 2015 at the Castle on the Lake. Tickets will be sold for this event as a fundraiser for the Foundation.
- Sports
 - Tennis: JHS will host District 16-5A Tournament April 9-10
 - Powerlifting: 10 girls and 2 boys competed in the Regional competition and did not advance
 - Soccer:
 - Boys: 2 games left in district play; Boys Senior Night this Friday against Nacogdoches honoring 6 seniors
 - Girls: 2 games left in district play; Girls Senior Night tomorrow night against John Tyler honoring 4 seniors
 - Track: competing in Lindale this week
 - Golf: hosted JISD Annual Tournament on March 6th; Cameron Brown was 1st Place Medalist; Cameron will compete in Lindale at Garden Valley this week (only medalists compete); there are 2 more district tournaments next week before Regionals on April 6th
 - Softball: many pre-season games rained out; Varsity playing make-up first district game tonight hosting John Tyler
 - Baseball: many pre-season games rained out; Varsity will play make-up first district game this Friday at Corsicana

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 7:12p.m. until 7:24 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.

Todd Travis
Board President

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Blaine Verhelle
Board Secretary

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