



Regular Meeting JISD Board of Trustees November 16, 2017 Minutes

A Regular Meeting including public hearings of the Board of Trustees of Jacksonville ISD was held Thursday, November 16, 2017, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, JISD Administration Bldg., 800 College Avenue, Jacksonville, Texas.

Present: Todd Travis, Jeff Horton, Blaine Verhelle, Randy McCown, Michael Traylor, Dean Dublin, and Micah Hoffpauir; Superintendent: Dr. Chad Kelly

Absent: None

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION - 5:30PM

The Board met in executive session from 5:30 p.m. until 6:21 p.m. discussing matters pursuant to Texas Government Codes 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.082, 551.0821.

2. REGULAR MEETING - 6:30PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

An announcement was made by the President that a quorum is present and that notice of the meeting was posted for the time and manner required by law.

B. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES and TEXAS FLAGS

Board President, Todd Travis, led the pledges of allegiance to the United State and Texas flags.

C. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION FOR ACTION RELATIVE TO ITEMS CONSIDERED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. *Consider and Authorize Superintendent to Negotiate and Contract for the Purchase of Real Property*

A motion was made by Micah Hoffpauir and a second by Dean Dublin to authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and contract for the purchase of real property as presented.

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

Nays: None

2. *Consider and Authorize Superintendent to Make a Complaint to SBEC on Abandonment of Contract by Christine Rian*

A motion was made by Michael Traylor and a second by Blaine Verhelle to authorize the Superintendent to make a complaint to SBEC on abandonment of contact by Christine Rian.

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

Nays: None

D. 2016-17 JISD Financial Audit

1. *Presentation of 2016-17 JISD Financial Audit*

Auditor, Ms. Rachel Payne, presented the 2016-17 JISD Financial Audit to the Board and reported that there were no findings.

2. *Consider and Approve 2016-17 JISD Financial Audit*

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Randy McCown to approve the 2016-17 JISD Financial Audit as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, Hoffpauir, Traylor and Verhelle

Nays: None

E. REPORTS / DISCUSSION / INFORMATION

1. *Presentation from FFA Convention Participants*

Mallorie Jenkins and Desiree Lewis, both seniors at JHS, presented to the Board the highlights of their 2017 FFA Convention trip. They both thanked the Board and the school for the opportunity to be able to attend the convention and explained what a great program FFA has been for them.

2. *Presentation on Post Secondary Education / Early College, High School*

Sarah Stephens, College and Career Advisor, gave a presentation over preparing our students for post-secondary education. She explained all of the programs, tests and college credit hours that JHS offers for students to earn while still in High School. A student can earn up to 23 hours of College credit by taking academic core dual credit classes. Then, each CTE Dual Credit class is worth 3 hours of College credit. A student can earn 35 hours of College Credit if they take full advantage of all that JHS has to offer and the cost is very reasonable especially when comparing college tuition rates. Anjohhna Canady, Assistant Principal at JHS, presented on Early College High School (ECHS). She explained that this program is designed for students to earn their High School Diploma and an Associate Degree in four years but the key to success of the ECHS is a strong partnership between Jacksonville ISD and a higher education institution. Jacksonville ECHS demographics will mirror JHS demographics based on an enrollment of 55 students each year. There will be access to post-secondary education at no cost to the parents/guardians and students will be able to start college instruction as early as 9th grade. The students will also be able to earn up to 60+ college hours. There will be an ECHS Committee formed that will begin meeting with all 8th graders as early as January. All students that are interested will have to fill out applications and go through an interview process. There are so many great opportunities offered at JHS.

3. *Bond and Construction Update*

Marc Rauzi updated the Board on the Tomato Bowl and CTE construction plans. He gave a brief description on things that have been added to the Tomato Bowl thus far. They have implemented the letters, JHS, on the reserved section seating, a new press box, visitor side concession stand will be placed under the visitor bleachers, more parking, including Wilson Street, and there will be a lower gate on the bleachers to have access to the field. He explained if the stones for the front do not come back within budget, they will have a cement based product for both sides of the front of the Tomato Bowl. He explained that all of the technology has been thought out as well. At the CTE building they have been going over floor plans and figuring out what existing columns and items that would need to stay. They also have the Ag

shop as big as 5,500 square feet. Marc says they should have the 100% plans for both projects by December, go out for Bids in January and start construction in February.

4. *The Donation of Wilson Street By The City of Jacksonville*

The city has donated Wilson Street to Jacksonville ISD, but we are still uncertain of who owns the land underneath. As of right now the plan is to still have handicap, visitor and bus parking here. The worst-case scenario would be the city will still be able to shut down the street like they have in the past.

5. *Student Dress Code*

School Board members openly discussed their opinions on the student dress code. It was stated that whatever changes will be made will not be in effect until the 2018-2019 school year. It is agreed that there does not need to be any drastic changes, if anything they will add to the dress code but not completely take away. They have discussed to possibly bring in the option to wear blue jeans throughout the week, but the collared shirts tucked in with belts look nice. The Board members feel that uniforms enforce a sense of professionalism and are required with any job that you have. There will be further discussion on this topic at the December Board meeting.

F. ACTION

1. *Consider and Move the January 2018 Regular Board Meeting from Monday, January 15, 2018 (Holiday), to Monday, January 22, 2018*

A motion was made by Micah Hoffpauir and a second by Michael Traylor to move the January 2018 regular board meeting from Monday, January 15, 2018 (Holiday), to Monday, January 22, 2018 as presented.

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

Nays: None

2. *Consider and Approve the Resolution to Cast Votes for the Board of Directors of the Cherokee County Appraisal District*

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and a second by Randy McCown to approve splitting 1,452 votes between Doug Gowin and Bill Mcknight, with both candidates receiving 726 votes.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Verhelle, Dublin, Traylor and Hoffpauir

Nays: None

3. *Consider and Approve Consent Agenda*

A motion was made by Randy McCown and a second by Dean Dublin to approve the consent agenda consisting of the 2017-18 District Improvement Plan; 2017-18 Campus Improvement Plans; board minutes from the October 23, 2017 regular board meeting; monthly investment report; monthly financial reports; monthly current amended budget report; monthly ADA summary report; tax refund request in the amount of \$558 to Diane Hirt.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, Verhelle, Traylor and Hoffpauir

Nays: None

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carmella Hawkins addressed the Board just to thank them from a mother's perspective. She applauded them for listening to the changes that needed to be made for JISD and going forward with making the changes happen. Al Chavira addressed the Board regarding the student dress code. He stated that this is a topic that the Board is always hearing about but reminded them that if something isn't broken, don't mess with it.

H. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

There were no items offered by board members for future meetings.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Todd Travis, President

Blaine Verhelle, Secretary