



**Jacksonville Independent School District
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
April 16, 2018
Minutes**

The Board of Education of the Jacksonville Independent School District, State of Texas, met on April 16, 2018 for an Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. followed by a Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Little Theater of Jacksonville Middle School located at 1541 E Pine, in Jacksonville, Texas.

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

Absent: Michael Traylor

1. 5:30 P.M. – EXECUTIVE SESSION

In Executive Session the Board met from 5:30 p.m. until 6:06 p.m.

- A. Hiring, Termination/Retirement, or Transfer of Professional Personnel
 - 1. Review and Possible Approval of Teacher Contracts for the 2018-2019 School Year
- B. Legal Matters, Student Discipline and Real Property
 - 1. Complaint to SBEC on Abandonment of Contract By Eric Luptak

2. 6:30 P.M. – 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 States and Texas Flags

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

C. Action, If Needed, Relative To Items Considered During Executive Session

- 1. *Consider and Approve Teacher Contracts for the 2018-2019 School Year*
A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Jeff Horton to approve the teacher contracts for the 2018-2019 school year as presented.
Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Hoffpaur and McCown
Nays: None
- 2. *Consider and Authorize Superintendent to Make a Complaint to SBEC on Abandonment of Contract by Eric Luptak*
A motion was made by Micah Hoffpaur and a second by Dean Dublin to authorize superintendent to make a complaint to SBEC on Abandonment of Contract by Eric Luptak as presented.
Yeas: Messrs. Travis, McCown and Horton
Nays: None

D. Acknowledgements / Recognition

- 1. *Employee of the Year Presentations*

The following 2017-18 Employees of the Year Awards were presented to:

- Auxiliary Employee of the Year:
 - Larry Reed, Custodian, Joe Wright Elementary
- Para-Professional Employee of the Year:
 - William Aldridge, Joe Wright PE Aide
- Non-Teaching Professional EOY:
 - Sara Gill, Executive Director of Student Services

2. *Teacher of the Year Presentations*

The following Teachers of the Year were honored and each presented with a plaque and a \$50 check:

- Jennifer Swedoski – Jacksonville High School
- Keith Partin – Jacksonville Middle School
- Roel Ramirez – Nichols Intermediate
- Shelley Wodarski – East Side Elementary
- Corlene Battle – Joe Wright Elementary
- Erica Graeter – Fred Douglass Elementary
- Victoria Gray – West Side Elementary
- Heather Avera – Compass Center

Victoria Gray was named Elementary Teacher of the Year and Jennifer Swedoski was named Secondary Teacher of the Year.

3. *CTE Student Organization Winners*

Jeff Boyd presented the Jacksonville High School Career Technology Student Organization Winners along with Preston Parker and Rachel Robinson. Culinary Arts did well at competition and had one of our students, DeKezia Johnson, place 3rd in State Nutrition and Wellness, Senior Division. FFA has added an additional certification in welding and seven students have been certified. Jacksonville FFA had a total of 18 projects shown by 21 students and earned 16 blue and 2 red ribbons at both shows that were attended this year. They also had 20 students compete in the Calf Scramble Program with 12 catching calves and earning a total of \$24,000 in certificates to purchase livestock for next year. FFA also had a total of 71 students competing with their livestock, ag mechanics and horticulture projects at the Cherokee County Livestock Show with many of our students show champions and receiving scholarships. They also received the Herdsmanship Award for the 2nd year in a row. It has been a great year for CTE organizations.

4. *JMS and JHS Academic UIL*

The following JMS and JHS students were acknowledged for their accomplishments in the academic UIL competition:

- Middle School
 - Dorelly Saldana, Luz Rico, Hagan Ray and Mia Rodriguez – 3rd Place 7th Grade Art
 - Keaton Moeser – 3rd Place 8th Grade Art
 - Ashley Rodriguez, Brayden Murphy, Keaton Moeser and Crystal Morales – 3rd Place 8th Grade Art Team

- Haley George – 4th Place Dictionary
- Ella Gumney – 3rd Place Impromptu
- Will Royon – 2nd Place Listening
- Jonathan Perez – 4th Place Mathematics
- Alexis White – 6th Place Poetry
- Isabella Maiquez – 3rd Place Spelling
- Isabella Maiquez, David Maldonado, Jonah Fugler and Kristen Gonzalez – 1st Place Spelling Team
- High School
 - Current Issues & Events Team won the regional competition at Magnolia High School on Saturday, April 14, 2018. They will advance to State Competition in Austin in May. Levi Locke, Samuel Baker, Ben Mendoza and Connor Crowe. Rebecca Morris will also be competing in News Writing at State.

5. *JMS Sweepstakes Choir*

Erin Blankenship, JMS choir director, introduced the JMS boys and girl choir. She stated that they have been working on site reading and that is what they took to competition. The 8th grade women's Varsity choir competed and brought home a sweepstakes trophy. The 7th and 8th grade men's choir received superior rating from every judge they saw and also brought home a sweepstakes trophy. This is the first time in 15 years that the men's choir received sweepstakes.

6. *JHS Archery Team*

Brock Blaire introduced the JHS Archery team and stated they are Nationals bound which will be held in Kentucky on May 10th. The team placed 12th in State and now have 10 students competing at the National level. Sean Driskell placed 14th out of 472 kids at State with a score of 282, with the best possible score being 300. Mr. Blaire thanked JHS for the support and help with sending their team to Nationals, it is much appreciated.

7. *JHS Maiden Soccer*

Coach Colten McCown presented the Maiden soccer team to the Board and stated this was his first year at JHS. The Maidens were co-district champs and knocked out the second round of playoffs. Coach McCown said they had a great year, the girls maintained phenomenal grades throughout the season and they only graduated one starting Senior. They have a young team and are doing very well!

8. *State Finalist in Powerlifting*

Coach Gregg Armstrong introduced the two girls that advanced to state in powerlifting, Chloe Devilier and Brittany Westbrook. Coach Thad Black Introduced Chris Galvan, who also advanced to State after placing 2nd at Regionals for boys powerlifting. He stated that it had been a great year and if research is correct, this is the first Jacksonville boy to advance to the State powerlifting meet.

E. REPORTS / DISCUSSION / INFORMATION

1. *Bond Construction Project Update*

Jeff Marquardt, from Claycomb Associates, gave a brief project update. He stated that things are moving fast at the Tomato Bowl. There is ongoing demolition and they are working on removing the original conduit. The time completion is moving on time and pay schedule is just a little off, considering the next payment being due on April 25th. Shane from Jackson Construction stated that they are in the process of digging a 10 foot hole where they will bury the large silver pipes used for retaining water from the football field. Jeff stated that the CTE project is moving along and the timeline is going according to schedule. The slab has been poured and they are pricing steel for the metal building. They also have power up and running. Shane brought construction hats for all Board members when visiting the construction sites.

F. ACTION

1. *Consider and Certify that JISD Will Use the 2018-2019 Instructional Allotment To Satisfy 100% of TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) Curriculum*

A motion was made by Jeff Horton and a second by Dean Dublin to consider and certify that JISD will use the 2018-2019 Instructional Allotment to satisfy 100% of TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) Curriculum as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Verhelle, McCown and Hoffpauir

Nays: None

2. *Consider and Adopt Resolution to Designate an Employee as Investment Officer*

A motion was made by Micah Hoffpauir and a second by Randy McCown to adopt the resolution to designate Alison Jones as investment officer as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, Dublin and Verhelle

Nays: None

3. *Consider and Approve Investment Officer Training through Region 7 Service Center*

A motion was made by Dean Dublin and a second by Blaine Verhelle to approve investment office training through Region 7 Service Center as presented.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, Hoffpauir and McCown

Nays: None

4. *Consider and Approve Consent Agenda*

A motion was made by Blaine Verhelle and a second by Micah Hoffpauir to approve the consent agenda consisting of: minutes from the March 26, 2018 regular meeting, March 29, 2018 special meeting and April 11, 2018 special meeting; monthly investment report; monthly finance reports; ADA summary report; March amended budget; and a tax refund request to Jessy C Boykin in the amount of \$810.15.

Yeas: Messrs. Travis, Horton, McCown and Dublin

Nays: None

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Quinten Boyd announced that he will be taking on a new broadcasting job in the area. He has enjoyed covering Jacksonville ISD for The Cherokeean Herald for the last eight years. He then introduced Josie Fox as the new editor for the paper.

H. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS – BOARD MEMBERS

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

I. ADJOURNMENT

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

Todd Travis
Board President

Blaine Verhelle
Board Secretary