

JOSHUA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Regular Meeting
February 27, 2023
310 East 18th Street
Joshua, Texas
6:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

President Ronnie Galbreath called the meeting to order at 5:31 P.M. A quorum was present and the notice of the meeting had been posted in the manner and for the time required by law. Other members present were Gene Loflin, Nini Wilson, Kevin Lee, Huntter Byrd, Cody Lee and Myra Pruitt.

BOARD WORKSHOP

- A. Superintendent Reports
- B. Agenda Items
- C. School Budget
- D. Safety Update
- E. Data for Board Goal 1.2 Action Plan
- F. Review of District's Monthly Activities
- G. First View of Budget Preparation
- H. December EOC Results

REGULAR MEETING - OPENING CEREMONIES

President Galbreath called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

PLEDGE

Nichols Middle School students, Erick Garcia and Tye Dillingham, led the Pledge of Allegiance and recited the District Vision Statement.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

The Board Members received information on enrollment, attendance, an ADA report, a report from the child nutrition department, a property tax collection summary, monthly financial reports, a monthly and year to date status of special revenue funds summary, a copy of the January check register, information from the JISD police department, a calendar of district events, and a campus presentation from Nichols Middle School.

RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Board recognized members of the NJROTC rifle team for their recent accomplishments which include the Precision and Sporter teams earning 1st and 2nd places at the Area 10 Championship in their respective categories.

Precision "A" team scored so high that they received automatic qualification to the Navy National Championship where they placed 3rd. Also advancing to the Navy National Championships was Precision B and Sporter A teams, where they earned 7th place and 11th place nationally. Joshua was the only program nationally to have three teams represented at the Navy Nationals. Joshua Precision A team will advance to Camp Perry, Ohio for the All Service Championships in March.

Team members recognized were:

Precision 'A' was represented by Cadet(s) Nolan Sharp, Brooklyn Reames, Aren Golleher and Carter Trahan.

Precision 'B' was represented by Cadet(s) Jaxon Bunch, Hunter White, Jaren Vickers and Riley Woods. Alternate is Diego Farzam.

Sporter 'A' was represented by Cadet(s) Alex Glenn, Trenton Rodrigues, Nathan Catoe and Sam Garcia. Alternate is Gavin Ross.

The Board recognized the JHS Sweethearts dance team for their recent accomplishments at competitions held on January 21 and February 4 where they earned many awards including; Division 1 Solos, Division 1 & 1st Place Duet, Top 5 Finalist Turn Technique, AJC Achievement Award, Platinum Team Sweepstakes, Best in Category Team Jazz, Best in Category Team Pom, Best in Category Team Novelty, Overall Contest Highest Score Jazz, Judges Awards, Grand Champion Team, Spirit Awards, Sweepstakes, Highest Scoring Jazz of the Day, Highest Scoring Pom of the Day and

Best of the Best of all High School Teams Entered. Dance Team Members recognized were: Makenna Kolvig, Kyla Vestlie, Morgan Lawson, Audrey Jones, Rylie Fleming, Jasmine Panbamrung, Emily Vasquez, Kalla Jenkins, Brenlee Burns, Presley Pate, Estella Helantos, Nadiya Garcia and Tatum Carrillo.

The Board recognized North Joshua Elementary School teacher Julie Tinsley for receiving the Jack Harvey Exemplary Teacher Award presented by Weatherford College. Mrs. Tinsley is a very dedicated teacher at North Joshua. Her love for students and passion for teaching the art & science of reading is felt across the campus and district.

The Board recognized North Joshua teacher Melissa Thompson and student Andrew Hansen for their life saving actions that saved a student that was choking in the cafeteria. They were issued a Life Saving Award Certificate.

The Board recognized Officer Travis Fuller and several North Joshua Elementary staff members for their quick response to a medical emergency of an NJE parent during afternoon pick up. They were issued a Life Saving Award Certificate. NJE Staff members recognized were: Officer Travis Fuller, Tracey Green, Danyel Woods, TerryAnn Perez, Tammy Watts, Amanda Pennell, Wendy Daughabaugh, Brooke Harraid, Lauren Everett, Stacy Smith, Cheryl Bagley, Robin Loflin, Aubree Land and Marianna Navarro.

PUBLIC FORUM

Stephanie Duncan addressed the board about Loflin public/social media concerns. She stated that she has a student that attends Loflin and chose that school because of its diversity. She said that school board and superintendent are not the problem. She pleads with the community to stop bashing the district on social media and then expect it to fix itself. She encouraged community to become the action they wish to see. Get into the walls of our schools to volunteer.

Stephanie Arredondo addressed the board about It's Time. Mrs. Arredondo thanked the board for their time and commitment. She spoke about the leaked audio recording between the Deputy Commissioner and herself. Mrs. Arredondo said that she was contacted by governor' office to share her story as their guest. She did not attend. She supports free public education. She also did not give permission for the audio to be released. She feels used by the governor's office and those who shared the audio. She asks for grace for the Deputy Commissioner and Families Engaged short comings. Mrs. Arredondo said that partnerships start with the district administrators and the board.

Charles Hudgens addressed the board regarding adding a new opportunity for JISD students through eSports tournaments. He stated that it will shine a light on kids who usually don't have the lights shined on them. He said that there are grants available and requests a survey be sent out to gauge interest.

PUBLIC COMMENT – no one signed up for public comment.

SUBJECTS:

- Subject A Consider Consent Agenda Items
Motion by Myra Pruitt and Second by Cody Lee to approve the minutes of the January 16 special and regular meetings and January 18 meeting, Budget Amendments, Accounts Payable and Purchases Over \$50,000. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject B Consider School Auditor for the 2023-2024 School Year
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Nini Wilson to approve Snow Garrett Williams as the district financial auditor for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject C Consider Approval of 2023-2024 School Calendar
Motion by Kevin Lee and second by Huntter Byrd to approve the recommended calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject D Consider Adoption of the Amended JISD District of Innovation Plan for 2022-2027
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Cody Lee to approve the JISD District of Innovation Plan for the 2022-2023 through the 2026-2027 school years as amended. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject E Consider Revision to Board Policy DCE (LOCAL) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES – OTHER TYPES OF CONTRACTS
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Huntter Byrd to approve the revisions to board policy DCE (LOCAL) Employment Practices – Other Types of Contracts as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

- Subject F Consider Adoption of Instructional Materials on Abuse Prevention
Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Kevin Lee to approve the Instructional Materials for Abuse Prevention. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject G Consider Approval of Waiver for Missed School Days for Joshua ISD for February 2-3, 2023
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Myra Pruitt to approve the missed school day waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject H Consider Resolution Regarding Extension of Leave During an Inclement Weather Closure
Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Nini Wilson to approve the resolution regarding extension of leave during an inclement weather closure. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject I Consider Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) 2022-10 – Student Transportation Services
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Cody Lee to approve First Student Transportation as the provider for student transportation services in Joshua ISD. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject J Consider Adding Authorized Representatives for Lone Star Investment Pool
Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Nini Wilson to approve addition of authorized representatives for Lone Star Investment Pool. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject K Consider Resolution Amending Authorized Representatives for TEXPOOL Investment Services
Motion by Kevin Lee and second by Hunter Byrd to approve the resolution amending authorized representatives. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject L Consider Resolution Authorizing Approved Signatories for Joshua Independent School District Financial Accounts
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Cody Lee to approve the resolution authorizing approved signatories for Joshua Independent School District Financial Accounts. Motion carried 7-0.

7:22 P.M. The board convened in a closed session to discuss items authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.001-551.084.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A) Consultation with the Board's Attorney
- B) Discussion of Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property
- C) Discussion of Personnel to Consider Compensation, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Contract Extensions, Resignations, Dismissal, and/or Leave of Absence Requests
 - 1. Resignation/Retirement
 - 2. Employment

8:25 P.M. The Board returned to open session.

The following resignations/retirements were accepted: Kera Bledsoe, Brooklyn Christian-Shafer, Jillian Clark, Linda Fleisher, Kayla Haskins, Denise Lafferty, Ronald Reid and Devan Stein.

Motion made by Myra Pruitt and Second by Nini Wilson to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

8:25 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

Date

Ronnie Galbreath, President

Gene Loflin, Secretary