

**JOSHUA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**November 14, 2022**  
**310 East 18<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Joshua, Texas**  
**6:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

President Ronnie Galbreath called the meeting to order at 5:30 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, Cody Lee, Hunter Byrd and Myra Pruitt.

BOARD WORKSHOP

- A. Fall Demographer Report - Zonda
- B. Superintendent Reports
- C. Agenda Items
- D. School Budget
- E. Safety Update
- F. Data for Board Goal 1.2 Action Plan
- G. Review of District's Monthly Activities

REGULAR MEETING - OPENING CEREMONIES

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

PLEDGE

North Joshua Elementary School students, Julian Duvan and Gracianne Moore, led the Pledge of Allegiance and recited the District Vision Statement.

PUBLIC HEARING- opened 6:34 P.M.

A Public Hearing was conducted to distribute the 2022 Final School First Rating report that explains the district's financial accountability performance for each of the 20 indicators. The district received an Above Standard rating of 88 out of 100 possible points. Hearing closed at 6:43 P.M.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

The Board Members received information on enrollment, attendance, and 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 October check register, information from the JISD police department, a calendar of district events, the board reviewed the district systems check level III and a campus presentation from North Joshua Elementary School.

RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Board recognized Leo Shoemake, a fifth grader from Caddo Grove Elementary, for winning the District Spelling Bee on November 4, 2022.

The Board recognized the Nichols Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball A Team for their undefeated season that led them to earning back to back District Champion titles. Players recognized were: Jolie Cox, Dillyn Hammons, Braedyn Holland, Lauren Jones, Madilyn Lacey, Irene Loek, Kenlee Mason, Zaylee Masters, Baylie McClinton and Ruby Vincent.

The Board recognized the Nichols Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball B Team for their District Champion title earned this season. Players recognized were: Kaylee Corral, Brinley Gray, Braighley McBeath, Isla McDaniel, Austyn Miller, Naomi Ortiz, Faith Rice, Leilanie Sam, Julia Stewart, Anna Terrell and Kaitlyn Van Riper.

The Board recognized members of the Loflin Middle School and Nichols Middle School choirs that represented Joshua ISD at the Region 30 middle school choir clinic and concert on November 5. These students were part of the 340 out of

1,002 students that were selected for the elite choir after auditioning in October. Students recognized were: Haven Riggs (LMS), Shelby Horn (NMS), Carlyanne Lummus (NMS), Jenna Milotte (NMS) and Aubrie Castilleja (NMS).

## PUBLIC FORUM

Maggie Wright addressed the Board regarding bullying, police reports and public records. Ms. Wright thanked the board for serving but is concerned about the reports of bullying by parents month after month. She stated that no police reports are filed. She is also upset that her public information request has not been sent to her yet. She spoke about how problems were handled when she was raising her children in the district. Parents are removing their kids from the district due to bullying concerns. Lastly, Ms. Wright said that an Instagram "Fight Channel" was not removed until a grievance was filed.

Georgia Head addressed the Board regarding closed sessions. Mrs. Head stated that it has been an eventful few months. She stated that during the live stream last month that rude comments were made about a parent. She stated that as elected officials, the community should be able to reach out to the board and not taking directives from a law firm. Mrs. Head stated that TASB is not popular with conservatives and that the law firm is not Pro-parent and the board needs to look into that.

PUBLIC COMMENT – no one signed up for public comment

## SUBJECTS:

- Subject A      Consider Consent Agenda Items  
Motion by Myra Pruitt and Second by Kevin Lee to approve the minutes of October 17, 2022 meeting, Budget Amendments, Accounts Payable and Purchases Over \$50,000. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject B      Consider Revision to Board Policy CDA (LOCAL) OTHER REVENUES: INVESTMENTS  
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Nini Wilson to approve the revisions to board policy CDA (LOCAL). Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject C      Consider Resolution Regarding Review of Investment Policy & Strategy  
Motion by Kevin Lee and second by Cody Lee to approve the resolution regarding review of Investment Policy and Strategy. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject D      Consider List of Qualified Brokers Authorized to Engage in Investment Transactions with the District  
Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Nini Wilson to approve the list of qualified brokers authorized to engage in investment transactions with the district as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1. Kevin Lee abstained.
- Subject E      Consider Resolution Regarding Approval of Independent Sources of Investment Training  
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Huntter Byrd to approve the resolution regarding approval of independent sources of investment training. Motion carried. 7-0.
- Subject F      Consider District Financial Audit for the 2021-2022 School Year  
Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Nini Wilson to approve the 2021-2022 school year financial audit report. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject G      Consider Deletion of Policy EF (LOCAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES  
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Myra Pruitt to approve the deletion of policy EF (LOCAL). Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject H      Consider Addition of Policy EFA (LOCAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS and Policy EFB (LOCAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: LIBRARY MATERIALS  
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Myra Pruitt to approve addition of policies EFA (LOCAL) and EFB (LOCAL). Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject I      Consider Revision to Policies DC (LOCAL) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES, DCE (LOCAL) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES: OTHER TYPES OF CONTRACTS, and DH (LOCAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONTACT  
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Kevin Lee to approve the revision to board policies DC (LOCAL), DCE (LOCAL) and DH (LOCAL). Motion carried 7-0.

Subject J

Consider Resolution for Resignation Acceptance

Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Gene Loflin to approve Chief Administrative Services Officer to accept resignations. Motion carried 7-0.

7:34 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
  - 3. Administrator Contract

9:15 P.M. The Board returned to open session.

Superintendent Marek made a recommendation to the board for Debra Brakel to be named as Associate Director of Human Resources for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Kevin Lee. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Marek made a recommendation to the board for Kyle Smoke to be named as Assistant Principal at Loflin Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Cody Lee. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Marek announced the following resignations were accepted: Woody Holman and Holly Stambaugh.

Motion made by Myra Pruitt and Second by Kevin Lee to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

9:17 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

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Ronnie Galbreath, President

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Gene Loflin, Secretary