

JOSHUA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
March 25, 2024
310 East 18th Street
Joshua, Texas
6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

President Ronnie Galbreath called the meeting to order at 5:32 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, Hunter Byrd, Cody Lee and Myra Pruitt.

BOARD WORKSHOP

- A. Superintendent Reports
- B. Agenda Items
- C. School Budget
- D. Safety Update
- E. Review of District's Monthly Activities
- F. Monthly Data for Board Goal 3.5 Action Plan

REGULAR MEETING - OPENING CEREMONIES

President Galbreath called the regular meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

PLEDGE

Loflin Middle School students, Charlie Garcia and Ryne Dooley, 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 quarterly cash & investment report, a copy of the February check register, information from the JISD police department, a calendar of district events, review of the district and campus climate survey results, and a campus presentation from Loflin Middle School.

RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Board recognized Plum Creek Elementary teacher, Christin Ellis for being named the 2024 Jack Harvey Teacher of the Year.

The Board recognized the Nichols Middle School 7th grade C Team girls basketball team for their successful season which earned them 2nd place in the Lonestar 8. Team members recognized were: Maggie Angeles, Aniston Hardin-Auvenshine, Makaylah Gonzales, Addy Kilcoin, Abby Knight, Sophia Torres, Almedina Wood and Ella Wood.

The Board recognized the Nichols Middle School 8th grade A Team girls basketball team for their successful season which earned them 1st place in the Lonestar 8, and 1st place in the Joshua Tournament. Team members recognized were: Kinlee Alexander, Madelyn Allen, Lyndie Freeman, Chloe Knippers, Markie Lain, Hadley Soto and Alexis White.

The Board recognized the Nichols Middle School 7th grade A Team girls basketball team for their successful undefeated season which earned them 1st place in the Lonestar 8. Team members recognized were: Peyton Davis, McKalynn Fontenoo, Korie Graves, Mia Hicks, Macie Lillagore, Harlyn Menzel, Elexee Ray and Ella Skronek.

The Board recognized the Nichols Middle School Varsity Treble Choir for bringing home a UIL Sweepstakes from their recent competition. Choir members recognized were: Aaliyah Carrasco, Joslyn Cranmer, Madison Crowley, Avery Gille, Hadley Jones, London Kerbs, Madilyn Lain, Olivia Lentz, Leah Metzger, Ava Murillo, Josie Pearce, Austyn Puckett, Annabelle Rush, Ally Sanders, Sophia Sirota, Denise Staas, Peyton Thill, Ryleigh Yates and Haven Watson.

PUBLIC FORUM – no one signed up for public forum.

PUBLIC COMMENT – no one signed up for public comment.

SUBJECTS:

- Subject A Consider Consent Agenda Items
Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Nini Wilson to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2024 and February 19, 2024 meetings, no Budget Amendments, Accounts Payable and Purchases Over \$50,000. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject B Consider Approval of the 2024-2025 School Calendar
Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Kevin Lee to approve calendar option 1 for the 2024-2025 school year. This calendar option is a hybrid four-day school week with Monday's as the day off. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject C Consider Proclamation 2024 Instructional Materials/Textbook Adoption/Recommendation
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Hunter Byrd to approve the adoption of instructional materials for K-8 Science, K-8 Technology Applications, and CTE, to be implemented with the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject D Consider Adoption of the Amended Joshua ISD District of Innovation Plan for 2022-2027
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Myra Pruitt to approve the Joshua ISD District of Innovation Plan for the 2023-2024 through 2026-2027 school years as amended. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject E Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Caddo Grove Elementary School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Gene Loflin to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject F Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Elder Elementary School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Gene Loflin to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject G Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for North Joshua Elementary School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Hunter Byrd to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject H Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Plum Creek Elementary School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Kevin Lee and second by Myra Pruitt to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject I Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Staples Elementary School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Cody Lee to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject J Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Loflin Middle School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Myra Pruitt and second by Gene Loflin to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject K Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Nichols Middle School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Kevin Lee to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject L Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Joshua Ninth Grade Campus for January 16, 2024
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Nini Wilson to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject M Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for New Horizon High School for January 16, 2024
Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Myra Pruitt to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.

Subject N Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Days for Joshua High School for January 16, 2024

Motion by Gene Loflin and second by Huntter Byrd to approve waiver. Motion carried 7-0.

7:06 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. Contract Recommendations for District Level Administrators, Principals and Assistant Principals

8:44 P.M. The Board returned to open session.

Superintendent Hickerson made a recommendation to the Board that all contract recommendations for District Level Administrators, Principals and Assistant Principals be accepted as presented. Motion by Cody Lee and second by Kevin Lee. Motion carried 7-0.

The following resignations/retirements were accepted: Jimmy Boatman Jr., Shelley Douglas, Gerald Foster, Susan Gresham, Iris Gutierrez, Justyna Hjeltness, Heath Kelly, Marena Monteleone, Gwen Moravec, Jennifer Pellegrino, Marisol Ponce, Rachel Rice, Tamara Steele, Jason Wells, Hannah White and Peggy Youngblood.

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

8:45 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

Date

Ronnie Galbreath, President

Gene Loflin, Secretary