

JOSHUA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting

May 19, 2025

310 East 18th 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 Ryan Watson, Nini Wilson, Kevin Lee, Hunter Byrd, Cody Lee and Randy Cisneros.

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 6:35 P.M.

PLEDGE

Joshua High School students, Mary Stiles and Shane Waits, 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 April check register, information from the JISD police department, a calendar of district events, 2024-2025 spring athletic scorecard, 2024-2025 ROTC scorecard, a report on the 2024-2025 Bullying and Harassment prevention report, the 2024-2025 annual school health advisory council SHAC report, Joshua High School and New Horizon High School graduation information and a campus presentation from Joshua High School.

RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The board recognized the Joshua NJROTC for completing one of its most successful years as a Distinguished Unit with Academic Honors and named Most Outstanding Unit in Area 19. The Rifle Teams swept the Area Championship, took four teams to the Service Championships and placed 3rd in the All-Service Championship. Joshua Marksmen then advanced to the National Junior Olympics in Alabama. The Drill Team qualified for State and the Armed Drill Team took 3rd Place. The Academic Team finished in the Top 3%. The Cadets that had so much success this year are: Cadet Brooklyn Reames, Cadet Brayden Picchi, Cadet Sam Garcia, Cadet Rose Brown, Cadet Damiana Figueroa, Cadet Tobin Davis, and Cadet Cooper Dent.

The board recognized the Lady Owls Varsity Softball team for their successful season. The Lady Owls placed 3rd in District, are Bi-District Champions, Area Finalists. Coach and team members recognized were: Coach Ashley Benson, Baylee Jones, Serenity Vaught, Taylor Proffitt, Molly Young, Shyanne Strawn, Landrie Durham, Avery Klein, Bella Hernandez, Ali McKillip, Zaylee Masters, Leilanie Sam, Julie Stewart, Evelyn Tate, Kinlee Alexander, Isabella Lambert, Alexis White, Anna Terrell, Miranda Flores, Faith Rice, Emma Summerhill, Gentry Durham, Izzie Martinez and Payton Icet.

The board recognized the Varsity girls golf team for their successful year where the team placed 2nd in district and qualified for regionals. Varsity golf team members recognized were: Ellie Kindler, Kaylee Yuan, Lilli Smith and Whitney Dial.

The board recognized Varsity girl's tennis team members Kaitlyn Tate and Hannah Cox for their successful year where they placed 2nd for girls doubles in district and qualified for regionals.

The board recognized the JHS UIL Academics, Speech, Debate teams and One Act Play. The team won their 8th consecutive District 8-5A Championship with 570 points. Twenty-six students advanced to the regional meet at Texas Tech University where Joshua High finished 6th place overall out of 55 schools in attendance. At regionals, one student, Brianna Schooler advanced to the State meet. Brianna is in Austin preparing to compete in the State Ready Writing contest. The students recognized were: Folu Olajide, Jacob Wright, Thandeka Kabo, Jacob Pena, Brianna Schooler, Shane Waits, Lincoln Kolhagen, Nolan Girtz, Austin Rees, Trevor Seigler, Oscar Pena, Julia Pena, Christina Sevilla, Sarah Ingram, Noah Johnson, Ella King, Emma Hand, Aiden Gresham, Emma Lopez, Layton Haydin, Joseph Buhl, Jordan Thompson, Emily Leon, Audrey Villegas, Shikah Pokhrel, Rylee Watts, Presley Noojin, Tobias Hollmann, Sushanta Neupane, Subrav Pokhrel, Hiya Patel, Mary Stiles, Mallory Goodwin, Macey Dormady, Brian McCormick, Emma Rodgers, Payton Hewett, Julian Bustamante, Kiley Jones, Kaylee Yuan, Jewell Bullard, Redding Herr, Matthew Carter, Morgan Ansley, and Jaydon Tryon.

The board recognized the Varsity Baseball team for their successful season where they won the District Champion title with a 13-1 record and are Bi-district Champions. Coach Carrizales was named District Coach of the Year. 9 players earned All- District awards, 11 players earned Academic All-District and 2 players earned Academic All-State honors. Players recognized were: Gavin Massey, Cooper Bosher, Jaxon Philpot, Nate Chittum, Thomas Rodriguez, Oakley Boatman, Tre Everett, Landon Nicks, Landon Lillagore, Rene Torres, Casen Tetens, Brayden Payne, Casen Cobb, Trevor Hernandez, Alex Rubalcaba, Kade Boone, Colton Burks, Brodie Walls, Dylan Rogers, Cody Rogers, Hunter Strebeck, Kallin Whisenant, Hank Berkner, Xavier Grijalva, Drake Hatcher, Conner Hait, Andy Albarran, Cade Coleman, Becca Duran, Coach Carrizales, and Asst. Coaches Zack Allen, Ryan Parham and Jake Nelson.

The board recognized the track and field Area and Regional Qualifiers:

Kyndall Bethell- Pole Vault

Morgan Collier- Discus

Rhyan Dollar-Daugherty- 800 Meters, 1600 Meters

Lyndie Freeman- 3200 Meters, 1600 Meters

Markie Lain- Pole Vault

Alyx Walker- Pole Vault

Dawson Coffee- Pole Vault

Jack Merrell- Pole Vault

Edward Hernandez- 3200 Meters

Brayden Picchi- 1600 Meters, 3200 Meters

Breck Walker- Pole Vault

Sergio Mata 300 Hurdles

The board recognized students that represented Joshua FFA at the State FFA CDE contests in the spring, The Livestock Judging Team placed 3rd at the State Contest qualifying them for the American Ryall National Contest in October. The 2025 State Contest Qualifying FFA CDE teams: Livestock: Keelie Clark, Decara Hemsath, Montana Aikman, Tatum Bryd, Caden Graham and Cady Cory. Agronomy: Cyndie Fincher, Dakota Cave, Presley Jordan, and Ethan Welman. Cotton: Alexis White, Lillibeth Short and Markie Lain. Plant ID: Whitney Dial, Charles Cutter Davis, and Tatum Byrd. Wool: Kybdall Bethell, Delaney Dickinson, Jolie Cox and Ellie Kindler. Wildlife: Presley Jordan, Cyndie Fincher, Ethan Hemsath and Jadon Welman. Forage: Presley Jordan, Cyndie Fincher and Dakota Cave.

The board recognized members of the Joshua High School Fishing Team, Texas High School Bass Association, Rene Torres and Hayden Pasket. They qualified for Regionals and State. The State tournament is May 31-June 1 in Conroe.

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 Cody Lee and second by Nini Wilson to approve the minutes of April 16, 2025 regular meeting and May 12, 2025 special meeting, Budget Amendments, Accounts Payable and Purchases Over \$50,000. Motion carried 7-0.

Subject B

Consider Shared Services Agreement for the Crowley Regional Day School Program for the Deaf

Motion by Kevin Lee and second by Ryan Watson to approve the shared services agreement with Crowley Regional Day School program for the deaf for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 7-0.

- Subject C Consider Approving an Interlocal Agreement between the University of Texas at Austin and Joshua Independent School District
Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Ryan Watson to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the University of Texas at Austin and Joshua ISD. Motion carried 5-2. (Nini Wilson and Randy Cisneros were against).
- Subject D Consider Adoption of the JISD Appraisal Calendar and Procedures for the 2025-2026 School Year
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Hunter Byrd to approve the JISD appraisal calendar and procedures for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject E Consider Approving the Certification for Cybersecurity Training for 2024-2025
Motion by Kevin Lee and second by Cody Lee to approve the certification for Cybersecurity Training for 2024-2025. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject F Consider Revision to the 2025-2026 School Calendar
Motion by Ryan Watson and second by Hunter Byrd to approve the amended calendar for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject G Consider Student Insurance Proposal and Procedure for the 2025-2026 School Year
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Kevin Lee to approve Texas Kids First Lone Star 3 as the student insurance provider for 2025-2026. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject H Consider Resolution of the Board Regarding Hazardous Traffic Conditions
Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Cody Lee to approve the resolution of the board regarding hazardous traffic conditions. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject I Consider Amendment to First Student Bus Transportation Agreement
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Cody Lee to approve the amendment to the school bus transportation services agreement. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject J Consider and Approve Phase 2 Concrete, Site Work, and Paving Bid Proposals for New Elementary School
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Hunter Byrd to approve Miller Sierra for concrete work, Double Eagle for electrical work and Calvo Construction for the site utility work for the Early Release Package 2 at the New Elementary School. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject K Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Day for Caddo Grove Elementary School for February 19, 2025
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Ryan Watson to approve waiver as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject L Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Day for Elder Elementary School for February 19, 2025
Motion by Ryan Watson and second by Hunter Byrd to approve waiver as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject M Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Day for Staples Elementary School for February 19, 2025
Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Cody Lee to approve waiver as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject N Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Day for Loflin Middle School for February 19, 2025
Motion by Kevin Lee and second by Cody Lee to approve waiver as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject O Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Day for Joshua Ninth Grade Campus for February 19, 2025
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Nini Wilson to approve waiver as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- Subject P Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Day for New Horizon High School for February 19, 2025
Motion by Ryan Watson and second by Hunter Byrd to approve waiver as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Subject Q Consider Approval of Waiver for Low Attendance Day for Joshua High School for February 19, 2025
Motion by Nini Wilson and second by Randy Cisneros to approve waiver as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Subject R Consider Revision to the 2024-2025 JISD Compensation Plan
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Hunter Byrd to approve the revision to the 2024-2025 JISD compensation plan. Motion carried 7-0.

8:14 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

OPEN SESSION – 9:37 P.M. The Board returned to open session.

Superintendent Corey Hickerson made a recommendation to approve Kristin Morrison as the North Joshua Elementary School Principal for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion by Cody Lee and second by Hunter Byrd. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Corey Hickerson made a recommendation to approve Tiffany Lee as the Nichols Middle School Assistant Principal for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion by Hunter Byrd and second by Nini Wilson. Motion carried 6-0-1. (Kevin Lee abstained)

The following resignations/retirements were accepted: Robin Combs, Kelsye Dykes, Tracey Green, Lee Ann Hamilton, Andy Linder, Pamela Longley, Belle Martinez, Brandi Nunn, Preston Paden, Ryan Perkins and Jesi Spears.

Motion made by Kevin Lee and Second by Ryan Watson to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

9:40 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

Date

Ronnie Galbreath, President

Kevin Lee, Secretary