

JOSHUA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Regular Meeting
January 14, 2026
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, Randy Cisneros, Cody Lee, Huntter Byrd, and Kevin Lee.

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 Action Plan 3.5
- G. Tax Attorney- Alison Callison with Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott LLP, presented the Joshua ISD delinquent property tax collection report.
- H. Transportation Report – SB 546 – Executive Director of Student Services, Toby Cox, reported to the Board the cost implications of retrofitting all buses with safety belts and provided details of the current status of buses with safety belts and the plan for full compliance by 2029.

REGULAR MEETING - OPENING CEREMONIES

President Ronnie Galbreath called the regular meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

PLEDGE

Elder Elementary students, Kase Keenom and Joseph Vassion led the Pledge of Allegiance and recited the district vision statement.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

The Board Members received information on enrollment, attendance, an ADA report, 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 December check register, information from the JISD police department, a calendar of district events and a campus presentation from Elder Elementary School.

RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The board recognized Tabitha Lain and her JHS Theatre students for their accomplishments at the Texas State Thespian Festival in Grapevine on November 20-22. The students competed in Duet Acting, Contrasting Monologues and Solo Musicals. Alexis Patlan and Chloe Haferkamp competed in Duet Acting and received a Superior rating. Vadin Herr, Peter Mantilla, Brooke Ames, and Elizabeth Casanova competed in Contrasting Monologues and received Superior ratings. Elijah Weatherly competed in Solo Musical and received a superior rating. Only 5 to 10% of the students who compete at the Texas Thespian Festival advance to the National Level. JHS Theatre had 70% of our students advance. The Superior rating advances them to the International Thespian Festival at Indiana University in June.

Joshua NJROTC hosted the Area 19 Rifle Championship on January 9th and 10th.

Joshua marksmen swept the competition, taking 1st place in the Precision division and 1st and 3rd Place in the Sporter division. The Rifle Teams will now be advancing to the Navy Nationals in Columbia, Missouri in February.

Joshua Precision was comprised of Cadets Cooper Dent, Ethan Henry, Jayden Werner, Brody Motley and Korben Bowman. Joshua Sporter A was comprised of Cadets Jacob Rotermond, Kaydi Stone, Davin Footitt and Ryan Walley. Cadet Cooper Dent took 1st Place in the Precision division as an individual and Cadet Jacob Rotermond took 1st Place in the Sporter division.

The Joshua ISD School Board of Trustees were recognized in honor of "School Board Appreciation Month". Their hard work and commitment to our community has truly made a difference in the lives of both our students and staff members.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM – none this meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT – none this meeting

PUBLIC HEARING – opened at 6:54 P.M.

A Public Hearing was conducted for the general public to address the Board regarding the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR). Public Hearing closed at 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING – opened at 7:00 P.M.

A Public Hearing was conducted to give the general public opportunity for consultation and comment on the College, Career and Military Readiness Plan. Public Hearing closed at 7:05 P.M.

SUBJECTS:

Subject A Consider Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Nini Wilson and Second by Cody Lee to approve the minutes of December 15, 2025, budget amendments, accounts payable, and purchases over \$50,000. Motion carried 7-0.

Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For
Nini Wilson - For

Subject B Consider Calling a General Election for School Board Trustees on Saturday, May 2, 2026 for Places One (1) and Two (2)

Motion by Kevin Lee and Second by Huntter Byrd to call a School Board Trustee election for Places 1 and 2 for Saturday, May 2, 2026. Motion carried 7-0.

Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For
Nini Wilson - For

Subject C Consider Appointment of Election Judge and Early Voting Clerks for the May 2, 2026 School Board Trustee Election

Motion by Ryan Watson and Second by Randy Cisneros to appoint Robin Wilson as Election Judge and election clerks as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For
Nini Wilson – For

Subject D Consider Joint Election Agreement with the City of Joshua

Motion by Cody Lee and second by Kevin Lee to approve the Joint Election Agreement as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For

Nini Wilson – For

Subject E Consider New Elementary School GMP Summary Revision
Motion by Randy Cisneros and second by Huntter Byrd to approve the revision to GMP summary as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For
Nini Wilson – For

Subject F Consider RFP 2026-2027 Category Two Switches, UPS, WAPs and Cabling
Motion by Randy Cisneros and second by Ryan Watson to approve NetSync for RFP#2026-2027 Category Two Switches, UPS, WAPs and Cabling. Motion carried 7-0.
Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For
Nini Wilson – For

Subject G Consider RFP 2026-2027 Self-Provisioned Boring & Fiber
Motion by Cody Lee and second by Kevin Lee to approve Nextlink for RFP #250001249 Self-Provisioned Fiber. Motion carried 7-0.
Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For
Nini Wilson – For

7:16 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
- D) Superintendent Evaluation and Contract

8:55 P.M. The Board returned to open session to act on items discussed in Executive Session.

Superintendent Hickerson announced the following resignation was accepted: Melynda Stanley

A recommendation was made by the Board to extend Superintendent Corey Hickerson's contract one year through June 30, 2029. Motion by Kevin Lee and Second by Ryan Watson. Motion carried 7-0.

Huntter Byrd –For
Randy Cisneros – For
Ronnie Galbreath – For
Cody Lee – For
Kevin Lee – For
Ryan Watson – For
Nini Wilson – For

Motion made by Cody Lee and Second by Huntter Byrd to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

Huntter Byrd –For

Randy Cisneros – For

Ronnie Galbreath – For

Cody Lee – For

Kevin Lee – For

Ryan Watson – For

Nini Wilson - For

8:56 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

Date

Ronnie Galbreath, President

Kevin Lee, Secretary

****Board Approved Minutes on February 16, 2026**