

❖ MINUTES ❖

Regular Board of Education Meeting
CARL JUNCTION R-1 SCHOOL DISTRICT
5:00 p.m. - JROTC/Archery Facility - Board Presentation
5:45 p.m. - Board Dinner
6:30 p.m. - Regular Session & Tax Rate Hearing
Board Room - Carl Junction Instructional Services Center
>>>Board Roll-Call<<<

H = Here A = Absent P = Partial

H - LARRY COWGER	A - KASEY COWGER
H - MELINDA BROWN	H - BRIAN MASSEY
H - TRAVIS SPENCER	H - ROBERT HAYS
P - DR. ROB HERRON	

I. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

- A. Larry Cowger called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. There were 5 members present. Dr. Pyle and Mr. Williams were present. Rob Herron will arrive late.
- B. Motion by Robert Hays to excuse Kasey Cowger. Motion seconded by Melinda Brown and carried 5-0.
- C. Motion by Travis Spencer to approve the Board agenda. Motion seconded by Robert Hays and carried 5-0.
- D. Pledge of Allegiance
- E. Reading of Mission Statement

II. BOARD EDUCATION - Presentation of the JROTC Flight Simulator at the JROTC/Archery Facility

Motion by Larry Cowger to adjourn for Board Dinner at 5:45 p.m. Motion seconded by Robert Hays and carried 5-0.

III. CLOSED SESSION For the Purpose of Discussion of Legal and Personnel Matters per Section 610.021, Par. 1 & 3

Motion by Larry Cowger to go into closed session for the purpose of discussion of legal and personnel matters per Section 610.021, Par. 1 & 3. Motion seconded by Travis Spencer and carried by roll call vote of 5-0: Mr. Larry Cowger – Yea; Mr. Kasey Cowger – Absent; Ms. Melinda Brown – Yea; Mr. Travis Spencer – Yea; Dr. Rob Herron – Absent; Mr. Brian Massey – Yea; Mr. Robert Hays – Yea.

Motion by Melinda Brown to return to open session. Motion seconded by Robert Hays and carried by roll call vote of 5-0: Mr. Larry Cowger – Yea; Mr. Kasey Cowger – Absent; Ms. Melinda Brown – Yea; Mr. Travis Spencer – Yea; Dr. Rob Herron – Absent; Mr. Brian Massey – Yea; Mr. Robert Hays – Yea

IV. PUBLIC HEARING – The Carl Junction Board of Education has called a public hearing regarding the 2026-2027 tax rates

- Public comment by a patron regarding the increase in his taxes. The increase was not due to levy increase but an increase in his property assessment by the county.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Minutes of Board Work Session and Regular Meeting June
- B. Approve Minutes of Special Session August 4, 2026
- C. Approve General Ledger for July 2026
- D. Approve General Ledger for August 2026
- E. Approve Payment of Bills
- F. Approve Local Compliance Plan for Special Education
- G. Approve District Phone Allowances

Motion by Robert Hays to approve consent agenda. Motion seconded by Melinda Brown and carried 5-0.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE - Note of appreciation from Cynthia Jackson and family. Note of appreciation from the family of Lee Atnip. Note of appreciation from the family of Mike Larson. Note of appreciation from the family of Ronald Lankford. Note of appreciation from Heather Whelan and family. Note of customer appreciation from Cynthia Olmstead, Southwest Missouri Bank.

Dr. Rob Herron joined the meeting.

VII.SUPERINTENDENT/ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Positive Comments - Larry and Bob attended Jamboree. Melinda gave positive feedback regarding freshman orientation. Dr. Pyle commented on a great first day of school.
- B. Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
 - 1. Curriculum Revisions for the 2026-2027 School Year
 - Math
 - World Language
 - 2. Curriculum Focus Areas for 2026-2027
 - Science
 - Technology
 - PE/Health/FACS
 - 3. Curriculum Development Plan 2026-2027
- C. Assistant Superintendent for Operations
 - 1. Safety Report
 - 2. Facilities
- D. Superintendent
 - 1. Finance Report
 - 2. Enrollment Update

VIII. BUSINESS

- A. Motion by Robert Hays to approve amending the September board meeting date to September 21, 2026. Motion seconded by Brian Massey and carried 6-0.
- B. Motion by Robert Hays to approve curriculum revisions for the 2026-2027 school year Motion seconded by Melinda Brown and carried 6-0.
- C. Motion by Dr. Rob Herron to approve tax rates as presented for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion seconded by Brian Massey and carried 6-0.

- D. Motion by Brian Massey to approve Piper Sandler as the district bond underwriter beginning the 2026-2027 school year. Motion seconded by Robert Hays and carried 6-0.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Larry Cowger to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. Motion was seconded by Dr. Rob Herron and carried 6-0.

Larry Cowger, President

Jennifer Kennedy, Secretary to the Board of Education