

JOSHUA ISD
BOARD of TRUSTEES
Meeting Summary

Ronnie Galbreath, President
Myra Pruitt, Vice President
Gene Loflin, Secretary
Kim Henderson
Charles Hudgens
Chris Ohlsen
Nini Wilson

Fran Marek, Superintendent

The Board of Trustees met on February 22, 2021. The following is a summary of the Workshop/ Regular Meeting.

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, Chris Ohlsen, Nini Wilson, Charles Hudgens and Myra Pruitt. Kim Henderson was absent.

BOARD WORKSHOP

- A. Superintendent Reports
- B. Agenda Items
- C. School Budget
- D. School Safety Procedures
- E. Review of District's Monthly Activities

REGULAR MEETING - OPENING CEREMONIES

President Galbreath called the regular meeting to order at 6:37 P.M.

PLEDGE

Nichols Middle School students, Folu Olajide and Jacob Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance and recited the District Vision Statement.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

The Board Members received information on student enrollment, attendance, ADA, 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 January check register, information from the JISD police department, a calendar of district events and a campus presentation from Nichols Middle School.

RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Superintendent Fran Marek and the Board recognized Loflin Middle School teacher, Camren Allred as the 2021 recipient of the Jack Harvey Fellowship Award presented by Weatherford College.

Superintendent Marek and the Board recognized JHS Varsity Football players for All-District Honors and All-Johnson County Team Honors. Players recognized were:

All-District Honors:

Tyler Stone – 1st Team Wide Receiver
Noah Smith – 1st Team Punter
Matthew Roberson – 2nd Team Inside Linebacker
Mario Miranda – 2nd Team Kicker
Chris Haught – 2nd Team Offensive Tackle

All-Johnson County Team:

Mario Miranda
Matthew Roberson
Noah Smith
Tyler Stone

Superintendent Marek and the Board recognized Nichols Middle School band students who placed into the All-Region Band. Students recognized were:

Taryn Lane – Honor Band Flute
Riley Husch – Honor Band Clarinet (FIRST CHAIR)
Addy Argumaniz – Honor Band Clarinet
Mallory Goodwin – Symphonic Band Clarinet
Shane Waits – Honor Band Contrabass Clarinet (FIRST CHAIR)
Joey Buhl – Honor Band Tenor Saxophone (FIRST CHAIR)
Aiden Gresham – Honor Band Trumpet
Neiden Paramo Guerrero – Symphonic Band Trumpet
Layton Haydin – Honor Band French Horn
Jacobie Smith – Symphonic Band Trombone

OPEN FORUM –

Marshall Miller addressed the board. He thanked the district for the safe environment but is asking the district to re-evaluate the COVID policy as a whole. Would like the district to loosen up restrictions but not throw the policy out altogether, in particular, the mask policy. Mr. Miller is also asking Joshua ISD to allow the local youth sports associations' access to the district's facilities.

Katie Reames addressed the board regarding hand-sanitizing procedures and options during the water boil notice. Mrs. Reames would like Joshua ISD to consider renting portable hand washing stations for each affected campus or allow students to wash their hands with water from sink and then use hand sanitizer.

THE BOARD:

- approved the minutes from January 18, 2021 and January 20, 2021, budget amendments, accounts payable and purchases over \$50,000;
- approved Snow Garrett Williams as the district's financial auditor for the 2021-2022 school year;
- approved the recommended calendar for the 2021-2022 school year;
- approved a special called board meeting on May 10, 2021 at 5:30 pm;
- approved the resolution of the board regarding protected unpaid leave during the COVID-19 pandemic;
- approved the revisions to Joshua ISD LOCAL policies as recommended in TASB update 116;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Caddo Grove Elementary for January 11, 2021;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Elder Elementary for January 11, 2021;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Joshua High School for January 11, 2021;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Loflin Middle School for January 11, 2021;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Nichols Middle School for January 11, 2021;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Ninth Grade Center for January 11, 2021;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Plum Creek Elementary for January 11, 2021;
- approved low attendance day waiver for Staples Elementary for January 11, 2021;
- Superintendent Fran Marek made a recommendation to the board for Jane Seamster to be named as the Principal of R.C. Loflin Middle School. Recommendation was accepted by the Board;
- Superintendent Marek announced that the following resignations were accepted: Douglas Anteau, Shelly Anteau, Luke Barnes, Justin Baumann, Margie Blair, Kyle Brown, Seth Cross, Eric Ridder, Eric Shon, Erik Walla and Madison Wolf.
- And Superintendent Marek shared with the Board that Matthew Farrell resigned to go work for a curriculum company and we requested a sanction be put on his certification by TEA because his position is a bilingual position and very hard to replace in the middle of the year. Mr. Farrell is leaving us in a bind and was not concerned about this, nor was he concerned that our students would not receive what they needed. He broke his contract in the middle of the year, his resignation was not accepted due to the reason he resigned was to take a new job; therefore, we have determined that this contract was broken without good cause.

The Board adjourned at 9:06 P.M.