



Minutes of School Board Meeting

February 21, 2008

1 The Joaquin ISD School Board met tonight in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the Joaquin Boardroom with the following members present: James Allen Cockrell, Mark Stone, Jay Dee Cockrell, Ronnie Belrose, Jason Harvey, Charles Leflett, and John Paul Lawson.

Board members absent: None

Guest(s) Present: Sonia Yearwood, *The Tribune*; Colleen Doggett, *Light and Champion*; Sarah Johnson, Student JISD; Chelsey Elliott, Student JISD; Lacey Scruggs, Student JISD; Megan McShane, Student JISD; Lindsey York, Student JISD; Cody Hamilton, Student JISD; Shane Taylor, Student JISD; Dustin Bloodgood, Student JISD; Stefanie Wagstaff, Parent; Jeremy & Sue Sue Boyett, Parents;

Joaquin ISD Employee(s) Present: Phil Worsham, Superintendent; Joel McSwain, Director of Finance; Sherry Scruggs, Elementary Principal; Terri Burford, Director of Human Service; Mid Johnson, JH/HS Principal; Tam Hearnberger, Special Education Director; Ann McDaniel, Instructional Technology; Emily Ashby, Agriculture Instructor; Jimmy Jackson, Jr. High/High School Assistant Principal;

James Allen Cockrell, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2 The invocation was led by Phil Worsham, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America by Mark Stone, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by John Paul Lawson.

3 Audience Participation – Those signed up and participating were: None

4 Report and Information items:

- 4.1 Instructional Technology and FFA presentations
- 4.2 Review Monthly Financial Reports – Joel McSwain
- 4.3 Announce Board Training Hours and Attendance
- 4.4 Update on construction & improvement projects
- 4.5 Calendar of activities
- 4.6 Correspondence

5 Agenda Items for discussion, consideration, and possible action:

5.1 It was moved by Mark Stone, and seconded by John Paul Lawson, to approve the previous meeting minutes. Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.

5.2 It was moved by Jason Harvey, and seconded by Charles Leflett, to call for the School Board Election for May 10th for the following. Three – three year terms presently held by James Allen Cockrell, Jason Harvey and Mark Stone. Harold Irish and Imer Nell Vaughn will serve as the election judge with 12 hours for assistance judge(s). The election will be held in the Joaquin ISD Boardroom and the Huxley Volunteer Fire Department. Joel McSwain, and Donna Vergo shall serve as early voting clerks to be conducted at the Superintendent's office. Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.

5.3 The board reviewed the student transfer policy and took no action at this time.

5.4 It was moved by Mark Stone, and seconded by Jay Dee Cockrell, that the board add, revise, and/or delete (Local) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 82 ([attached](#)). Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.

5.5 It was moved by Jay Dee Cockrell, and seconded by Ronnie Belrose, to approve Maintenance Tax Note fund projects ([attached](#)). Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.

6 The board entered closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas

Government Code Section 551.074 at 7:37 p.m. on February 21, 2008.

- 6.1 Resignations, hiring and Contracts – Texas Government Code Section 551.074
 - a. Assistant Jr. High/High School Principal
 - b. Assistant Elementary Principal
 - c. Special Education Director
 - d. Athletic Director
 - e. Transportation Director
 - f. Retirements and/or Resignations
 - g. 2008-2009 possible assignments
- 7 The board entered open session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act at 8:32 p.m. on February 21, 2008.
 - 7.1 a. It was moved by John Paul Lawson, and seconded by Mark Stone, to extend Jimmy Jackson's contract as Assistant Jr. High/High School Principal beginning on August 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009 with an annual salary increase to be considered at annual budget time. Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.
 - b. It was moved by John Paul Lawson, and seconded by Jay Dee Cockrell, to extend Terri Gray's contract as Assistant Elementary Principal beginning on August 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009 with an annual salary increase to be considered at annual budget time. Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.
 - c. It was moved by Charles Leflett, and seconded by Jason Harvey, to extend Tam Hearnberger's contract as Special Education Director by one (1) year for a total of two (2) years, beginning on August 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2010 with an annual salary increase to be considered at annual budget time. Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.
 - d. It was moved by Charles Leflett, and seconded by Ronnie Belrose, to extend Wayne Gandy's contract as Athletic Director by one (1) year for a total of two (2) years, beginning on July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2010 with an annual salary increase to be considered at annual budget time. Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.
 - e. No action at this time on the Transportation Director.
 - f. It was moved by Jay Dee Cockrell, and seconded by John Paul Lawson, to confirm the resignation of Tina Duncan, Paul Kay, Tracy Bryant, and Angela Shahan effective. Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion. It carried unanimously.
 - g. No action taken
- 8 James Allen Cockrell, Board President, ask for items to be placed on the next board agenda.
Student transfer policy
- 9 Designation of date and time of next meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Joaquin ISD –
March 10th at 7:30 p.m.
- 10 With no further business on the agenda the meeting was adjourn.

James Allen Cockrell, President

Ronnie Belrose, Secretary