

**Regular Meeting  
August 12, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by President Jason Bonner at 6:00 pm.

Members present were Jason Bonner, Ned Fratangelo, Leah Cooper, Dr. Kent Thigpen, and Bobby Langbartels. Kevin Godfrey and J.P. Abernathy were absent.

District personnel present were Rob Barnwell, Mike Wood, and Jay Patrick. No one else was present.

Mr. Barnwell gave the invocation.

Mr. Bonner led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

There was no one present related to the Public Comment agenda item.

Campus and Administrative reports were given at this time. Mr. Patrick gave an update regarding the progress of the implementation of the energy conservation program with Ideal Impact.

Motion by Dr. Thigpen, seconded by Mr. Fratangelo, to approve the consent agenda, which only included minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried, 5-0.

Mr. Wood provided the Board with some updated information related to the 19-20 proposed budget. There was some discussion, a few questions, and explanations. Mr. Wood said that he is fairly confident that the board would be presented with a balanced budget to consider/approve at the end of the month. Mr. Barnwell expressed his satisfaction that the district looks to be in good financial shape and thanked Mr. Wood for his work related to the budget and the district's fiscal status.

A discussion was held related to the new law which requires districts to use current-year comptroller tax values (T-2 Values) as compared to old law, which required the use of prior-year T-2 values, and how this affects budget planning this year as opposed to previous years.

Mr. Wood explained the state is requiring districts to compress (lower) M&O tax rates this year. Therefore, the M&O tax rate for this coming year will go down from 1.04 to .97 cents. It was also explained that, since local taxable values have gone up, the I&S tax rate will go down slightly too. Mr. Barnwell recommended the Board consider setting a proposed tax rate of .97 cents for the M&O tax rate and an I&S tax rate of .085892. Mr. Barnwell and Board members expressed happiness regarding the fact that taxpayers will enjoy a lower tax rate this year. Mr. Langbartels made a motion to set the proposed M&O tax rate at .97 cents and the I&S rate at .085892 cents, for a total tax rate of 1.055892 for the 19-20 school year. Motion was duly seconded by Ms. Cooper. Motion carried, 5-0.

Ms. Cooper made a motion to set the date and time for the required public hearing related to the discussion and consideration of the 19-20 proposed budget and tax rates for August 27, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the JISD administration building. Dr. Thigpen seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5-0.

Motion by Mr. Fratangelo, seconded by Mr. Langbartels, to approve an amendment to the stipend schedule, as presented, in order to allow payment for a district athletic trainer. Motion carried, 5-0.

Motion by Ms. Cooper, seconded by Dr. Thigpen, to approve the members who make up the Concussion Oversight Team for the 2019-20 school year, as presented by Mr. Barnwell. Motion carried, 5-0.

Mr. Patrick explained some of the details surrounding discounts allowed through E-Rate, which is facilitated through an agreement with Collect-Ed LLC. E-Rate is the commonly-used name for the Schools and Libraries Program of the Universal Service Fund, which is administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company {USAC} under the direction of the Federal Communications Commission. Motion by Mr. Langbartels, seconded by Dr. Thigpen, to approve the Collect-Ed LLC E-Rate service agreement for 19-20 as presented and recommended by Mr. Patrick. Motion carried, 5-0.

Ms. Cooper made a motion to approve the three-year agreement with Claims Administrative Services for worker's compensation insurance coverage, as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fratangelo. Motion carried, 5-0.

Mr. Barnwell asked that the minutes reflect the previous acceptance of resignations from Deborah Wesley, Bob Muzzy, and Julie Morgan.

Due to no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

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President's Signature

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Secretary's Signature