

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

The Board of Trustees

Jarrell ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Jarrell ISD was held Wednesday, May 15, 2024, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Jarrell ISD Annex Cafeteria, 508 N. 5th Street, Jarrell, TX 76537.

Members Present: Crystal Phalen, Jenny Arnold, Tamara Dozier, Dave Lovelace, Jennifer Gadison, and Cliff Tschoerner (arrived at 6:33 p.m.)

Members Absent: Ginger Martinez

1. Call to Order, Establishment of Quorum

Crystal Phalen Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. She affirmed a quorum of board members was present and the notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

2. Pledge to American and Texas Flags

3. Cougar Champions

4. Public Comments

- Michael McCloskey – Greetings from Congressman John Carter.
- Pamela Knott – Celebrating the district for the Aspiring Leader Academy.
- Krystal Grimm – Concerns with district culture and impact on future teaching.

5. Consent Agenda

- Minutes of Previous Meetings
- Budget Amendment
- Financial Reports
- Purchases over \$50,000
- Check Register
- Principal's Report
- Enrollment Report
- Police Department Criteria Reporting
- 2023-2024 Audit Engagement Letter

A motion was made by Jenny Arnold and seconded by Dave Lovelace to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Communication and Informational Items

- A. District Updates from Superintendent Dr. Toni Hicks
 - 1. Student Outcomes
- B. College, Career and Military Readiness (CCMR) presented by Laura Buckley and Alison Martone.
- C. Industry-Based Certifications (IBC) results presented by Laura Buckley and Paul Boff.
- D. 2024/2025 Proposed Bell Schedule presented by Laura Buckley.
- E. Cybersecurity Safeguards for K-12 presented by Jim Freeman.
- F. Naming of Elementary #4 presented by Nick Spinetto.
- G. 2021 Bond Updates presented by Sledge Engineering.
- H. 2023 Bond Updates presented by Sledge Engineering.
- I. 2023 Bond Timeline Alignment with Demographic Report presented by Sledge Engineering.

7. Action Items

- A. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the 2024-2025 Salary Increase presented by Robert Navarro.
A motion was made by Jenny Arnold and seconded by Tamara Dozier to approve a pay raise of 3% from current salary for JISD employees for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Motion passed with five votes and one abstain.
- B. Consideration and Possible Approval of 2023 Bond Operations Center Guaranteed Maximum Price #2 presented by Sledge Engineering.
A motion was made by Jenny Arnold and seconded by Jennifer Gadison to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price #2 for a not to exceed \$13,200,000 for the for the 2023 Bond Operations Center based on the bid proposal from American Constructors as competitively bid through the Construction Manager at Risk construction delivery method and authorize the Superintendent to complete final contract amendment negotiations. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. Consideration and Possible Approval of 2023 Bond Operations Center Wash System presented by Sledge Engineering.
A motion was made by Dave Lovelace and seconded by Tamara Dozier to approve the Wash System for a not to exceed \$230,000 for the 2023 Bond Operations Center based on the BuyBoard bid proposal from NS Corporation and authorize the Superintendent to complete final contract negotiations. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. Consideration and Possible Approval of 2023 Bond Operations Center construction material testing agreement with Raba Kistner presented by Sledge Engineering.
A motion was made by Jenny Arnold and seconded by Tamara Dozier to approve the Agreement with Raba Kistner for Construction Material Testing of the 2023 Bond Operations Center with a not to exceed amount of \$100,000 and authorize the Superintendent to complete final contract negotiations. Motion passed unanimously.

8. **Adjourn to Closed Session: The Board may recess into Closed Session for purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Tex. Gov't Code Sections 551.001 et seq., 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, 551.084**
 - A. Discussion of Personnel, Gov't. Code 551.074
 - B. Discussion of Purchase, Exchange, Lease or Value of Real Property, Tex. Gov't Code 551.072
 - C. Discussion Regarding Roles and Duties of a Public Officer or Employee

9. **Return to Open Session and Take Action if Needed on Closed Session Items**
 - A. Possible Action on Personnel
 1. Consideration and Possible Action on Accepting Resignations
A motion was made by Jenny Arnold and seconded by Tamara Dozier on Accepting Resignations as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

 2. Consideration and Possible Action on Employing Personnel.
A motion was made by Jenny Arnold and seconded by Dave Lovelace on Employing Personnel as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

10. **Board Comments**
 - A. Regular Meeting June 19, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

11. **Adjournment**

APPROVED:

PRESIDENT
Crystal Phalen

SECRETARY
Tamara Dozier