

**Unofficial and Unapproved
Minutes of Special Board Meeting
5-21-2025
The Board of Trustees
Judson ISD**

A Special Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Judson ISD was held May 21, 2025, beginning at 5:30 PM in the ERC Board Room, 8205 Palisades Dr, Live Oak, Texas 78233. Notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551. The meeting was audio and video tape recorded.

Present: Monica Ryan, Amanda Poteet, Lesley Lee, Suzanne Kenoyer, Stephanie Jones, José Macias, Laura Stanford, and Superintendent Dr. Milton Fields.

Absent: None.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

A. Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum

Board President Monica Ryan called the meeting to order at 5:32pm. Roll call was conducted and a quorum was established.

The Board adjourned into closed session Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, attorney consultation regarding procedures and the Good Governance Handbook and how to proceed with Public Comment at 5:42pm and reconvened in open session 5:59pm. No action, decision or vote was taken while in closed session.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS/CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

A. Public Comment

Charles Patrick, Amanda Marion, Amanda Castillo, Cherie Fleming, Maria Guzman, Marilyn McKinney, Dr. PJ Cabrera, Cindy Latino, Darrell Harris, Troy Lara, Dominique Ahmed Anderson, Shawna Houlahan, Sarah Mills, Regina Davis Miles, Melissa Luna, Ashley Brady, Steven Burke, Kara Dean, Samantha Dunn, Branda Corley, Norma Ruth Kelly, Andrea Pence, Victor Villareal, Marie Herbeck, Loren Orzechowski, Leticia Sitler, Jennifer Guzman, Joe Johnson, Shawn Marshall, Laurie Lerma, Teagan Mullen, W. L. Austerman, Debra Wilcox, Bella Adair, June Adair, Alayah Thompson, Jamilah Nailor Thompson, Danny Densen, Dr. Claudia Walker, Mariela Bernaloe, Michael Spiropoulou, Alene Bray, Jeramia Ruiz, Katherine Gomez, Maria Sanchez, Kaylahni Deleon, Rachelle Diaz, Josh Posada, Nora Hernandez, Addison Covington, Penelope Covington, Reagan Caballero, Amber Zapata, April Spencer, Valerie Morales, George Allen, Lorian Smith, Joe Powers, Patricia Neil, Chantry Perez-Delgado, Meghan Farley, Heather Smith, Cecilia Davis, Kari Savage-Egg, Robert Castillo, Warren Castillo, Laura Cooper, Jema Driscoll,

Brittany Garcia, Frank Garza, Chela Flowers, John Corbin, Kimberly Ramirez, Maria Jose Calderon, and Scott Willis addressed the board.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS/REPORTS

- A. Discuss and review updated information on the 2024-25 fiscal year forecast and proposed 2025-2026 fiscal year budget
Dr. Fields shared the presentation of the projected forecast for the current year of 2024-2025 and the proposed budget for 2025-2026.
- B. Discuss and review the Superintendent's Recommendations on the 2025-2026 fiscal year expenditures, fund balance, and cost reduction goals
Deputy Superintendent, Ceci Davis, presented an overview of Board requested considered at the May 15th Board meeting. She shared the proposals that were approved and not approved with the potential cost savings.
- C. Discuss and review Superintendent Recommendations for additional cost reductions in the 2025-2026 fiscal year.
Ms. Davis shared the requests from the board that would bring \$5,000,000 more in potential cost savings with benefits. Dr. Fields shared Judson ISD duty days comparisons with other districts.

The Board adjourned into closed session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, discussion of Superintendent Roles and Responsibilities, at 6:17pm and reconvened in open session 6:34pm. No final action, decision or vote was taken while in closed session.

4. DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION OF ACTION ITEMS

- A. Discussion and possible action(s) to set Board 2025-2026 fiscal year expenditure, fund balance, and cost reduction goals
No action taken.
- B. Discussion and possible action on Superintendent and Board 2025-2026 fiscal year additional cost reductions
No action taken.
- C. Discussion and possible action to close Judson Middle School
Motion made by Mr. Macias that we do not close Judson Middle School, seconded by Ms. Kenoyer
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion passes.
- D. Discussion and possible action to close Candlewood STEM Academy and Candlewood Elementary School
Motion made by Mr. Macias that we do not close Candlewood STEM Academy and Candlewood Elementary School, seconded by Ms. Stanford
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion passes.
- E. Discussion and possible action to close Franz Leadership Academy
Motion made by Mr. Macias that we do not close Franz Leadership Academy, seconded by Ms. Stanford
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion passes.

- F. Discussion and possible action approving the selection for design and architectural services for the Districtwide Architectural Package in Bond 2016 and Bond 2022
Motion made by Ms. Kenoyer to approve the selection for design and architectural services for the Districtwide Architectural Package in Bond 2016 and Bond 2022 as presented, seconded by Ms. Stanford

For: 6 Against: 1 Abstained: 0

Motion passes. Ms. Ryan voted against.

5. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, discussion of Superintendent Roles and Responsibilities
B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Discussing Personnel matters related to potential cost reductions

6. CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION(S) REGARDING ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

- A. Consider and take possible action regarding approval of additional cost reductions
No action taken.

- B. Consider and take possible action to hire a Board consultant
Motion made by Ms. Poteet to delegat to the Board President to select and engage with a board financial consultant in consultation with legal counsel, seconded by Ms. Ryan

Motion made by Mr. Macias to table the motion until we have further discussion with the Superintendent, seconded by Ms. Kenoyer

For: 5 Against: 2 Abstained: 0

Motion passes. Ms. Ryan and Ms. Poteet voted against.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:11 pm.

Board President

Date

Board Secretary

Date