

Regular Meeting
April 8, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Tolesia Smith-Davis at 6:00pm.

Members in attendance were Jason Bonner, Rusty Mauldin, Michael Williams, Tolesia Smith-Davis, Leah Cooper, Joey Romano and Kirstin Johnson.

District personnel attending included Michael Walker, Mike Wood, Dr. Lynn Phillips, Clint Coyne, Joel Windham, Dr. Tim Phy, Lindsey Whitaker, Terry Johnson, Michael Baysinger, Mitzi Neely, Judy Grubbs, Christen Slone, Heather Sanders, Aimee Daniel, Bettie Duffie, LaTrisha McCurry, Ty Taylor, Angela Blair, and Rebecca Pearl. Others present included John Marsh, Trevalyn Marsh, Kristie Mauldin, and several students from the high school and elementary school as well as their families.

Mr. Williams gave the invocation.

Ms. Smith-Davis led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Campus and Administrative reports were given at this time. Mr. Walker asked Dr. Phillips to introduce the senior students who completed the medical assistant program as well as students who will graduate with associate degrees from Panola College. The medical assistant students recognized were Aiden Cooner, Daniella Crocker, Jordyn Davidson, Faith Franklin, Brayden Grundon, Jayden Jenkins, and Kentrell Perry. Associate Degree students recognized were Jessica Bollinger, Eden Hopes, Christina Justice, Kinsley Powell, Haiden Shields, Braydon Thomas, and Nick Woods. Mr. Terry Johnson introduced JES students of the month Maggie Selvey, Bennie Torres, Aryaha Rollins, Deon Hopkins, Melodie Moore, Braxton Breckenridge, Jack Roller, and Marisol Aveja. He then introduced staff of the month Gaye Hunter, Debi Allen, and Heather Sanders. He also recognized Ms. Margarite Beckham who recently received the Brookshires Teacher of the Season award. Ms. Beckham then thanked the board for their support and showed her appreciation for the district. Mr. Walker introduced new band director, John Marsh. Dr. Phy introduced Tevalyn Marsh as a new teacher candidate for JJHS. Coach Taylor introduced Kristie Mauldin as the new girls athletic coordinator and head girls basketball coach. Dr. Phillips reported several curriculum positives including several visits by other districts, Region 8 and TEA to see strategies JISD is using to implement new curriculum. Jefferson hosted learning walks as well as a teacher's panel that were all very well received. More visits are tentatively scheduled for the fall and next spring. Dr. Phillips then thanked the teachers first and foremost for taking on this new curriculum. She also thanked and introduced the K-8 instructional team: Mitzi Neely, Judy Grubbs, Terry Johnson, Michael Baysinger, Tim Phy, Lindsey Whitaker, and Christen Slone. She thanked the board and Mr. Walker for their support. Mr. Coyne gave a facilities update. Several projects are wrapping up and there is a new list of projects to carry out in the coming weeks. He also mentioned some projects he'd like to see done in the future and

asked the board to keep them on their radar as things that will need to be addressed in the coming years. This concluded reports.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Mauldin, to approve the certification statement related to the use of IMA funds which are intended to be spent on materials to support the teaching of TEKS regarding JISD's curriculum. Motion carried, 7-0.

Dr. Phillips explained the need for approval of the Kindergarten Bluebonnet ELAR OER Transition Plan. Ms. Cooper made a motion to approve as presented. Motion was duly seconded by Mr. Romano. Motion carried, 7-0.

Mr. Walker asked the board to approve use of district buses to transport Pilgrimage reenactment participants. The Pilgrimage group will pay the district for fuel and bus driver wages. Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the use of district buses for Pilgrimage. Motion was duly seconded by Mr. Mauldin. Motion carried, 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Romano, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to approve the consent agenda, which included previous minutes and budget amendments. The budget amendment was to budget for a grant Food Service Director, Stephanie Holman, was awarded to purchase a new combi oven. Motion carried, 7-0.

The Board convened into executive session at 6:41 pm.

The Board reconvened into open session at 7:38 pm to continue regular business.

Mr. Walker recommended the Board approve the personnel needs as presented. Motion made by Mr. Romano, seconded by Mr. Mauldin, motion carried 7-0.

Due to no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

President's Signature

Secretary's Signature