

January 16, 2024
EJCS BOE Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the East Jackson Community Schools Board of Education was held in the East Jackson Elementary Community Room at 6:10 PM, immediately following the organizational meeting.

Board Members Present: Ken Straub, Mishele Wilkins, Jan Maino, Mickey Cromley, Misti Bell,

Board Members Absent: Lisa Hendricks, Amy Boatright

Administrators/ Supervisors Present: Superintendent, Steve Doerr
Joel Cook, Cheryn DeLosh, Becky Hager, Regina Hoskins, Jeff Panches,
Spencer Schultz, Randy Wilkinson

Staff Members Present: Joy Collier, Deana Minder, JCISD Business Mgr. Thomas Berkemeier

Visitors Present: Avery Desy, Ashley Desy, Braedon Desy, Josh Williams, Maeleigh Hull, Matt Hull, Kim Hull, Maddie Hull

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

- 1) Delete Robotics Report – (rescheduled for February meeting)
- 2) Add to Diekema-Hamann Report: Wolgast ~ Jim Fenton

Student Recognition

- 1) Students of the Month
 - a. **Maliah Griggs** ~ Kindergarten
 - b. **Maeleigh Hull** ~ 3rd Grade
 - c. **Avery Desy** ~ 7th Grade
 - d. **Cameron Reinhard** ~ 11th Grade
- 2) Athletes of the Month
 - a. **Elaina Lounsbery** ~ 10th Grade - Bowling
 - b. **Cullen Wilson** ~ 7th Grade - Basketball

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mrs. Wilkins moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Mrs. Bell 2nd

- 1) **Meeting Minutes**
 - A. Regular Meeting – December 11, 2023

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Public - None

Reports

- 1) **Diekema-Hamann ~ Gabe Alvey and Wolgast ~ Jim Fenton**

- Gabe reported that information is being gathered for the bond and now with the approval of the Preliminary Qualification Application, teams will be ready once the bond passes.
- Jim reported that Wolgast prepared bond campaign pamphlets and once final approval is received, they will be distributed to the community. He added that Wolgast is preparing project costs for bidding after the bond election.

2) **Finance Report**

- JCISD Business Manager, Thomas Berkemeier, presented the Finance Report.

3) **Board Reports/ Sharing** - None

4) **Superintendent’s Report**

- The Board packet included a thank you note from EJE Administrators acknowledging a donation from the Kiwanis Club.
- East Jackson received its first settlement check from the JUUL Labs litigation settlement. A statement from Thrun and a copy of the check were in the Board packet for information. The letter clarifies the expected terms of the settlement and payments going forward. Superintendent Doerr reported that these payments will apply towards the general fund to reimburse the district for prior year expenses.
- Doerr announced that the district received a letter from the State Treasurer approving the district’s Preliminary Qualification Application. He added that this formal approval allows the district to pursue a no mill increase, bond election on May 7, 2024. Doerr recommended the Board to adopt the resolution to pursue this election.
- The Department of Treasury completed their analysis of the district’s June, 2022 audit. Included in the packet for the Board was a letter confirming their determination of the district no longer subject to periodic reporting requirements.

Action Items

Resolution Mrs. Bell moved to adopt the **2024 Bond Resolution** as presented.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Mrs. Maino 2nd

Tax Agreement Mrs. Wilkins moved to approve the **Tax Collection Agreements** as presented, with Blackman and Henrietta Townships. Parcel fees remain the same as 2023.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Mr. Cromley 2nd

Other Board Discussion Matters - None

Adjournment

Mrs. Wilkins moved to adjourn this Board of Education meeting at 6:25p.m.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Mrs. Bell 2nd