

**April 13, 2026**  
**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. The meeting was called to order by President, Jan Maino at 6:00 PM. Secretary, Kirk Warner conducted roll call, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Board Members Present:** Jan Maino, Mishele Wilkins, Mickey Cromley, Kirk Warner, Rachel Bean, Adam Phelps

**Board Members Absent:** Amy Boatright

**Administrators/ Supervisors Present:** Superintendent, Jeff Punches  
Amy Blackledge, Joel Cook, Regina Hoskins, Jimmie Jones, Randy Wilkinson

**Staff Members Present:** Erin Beatty, Deana Minder, Jason Smith  
JCISD Business Mgr. Kristina Kulka

**Visitor Sign In:** Brandi and Patrick Holland, Heidi and Michael Kelley, Cliff, Britney and Athena Kelly, Adam Beatty

**Additions/Deletions to the Agenda** - None

**Student Recognition**

- 1) Students of the Month
  - a. **Athena Kelly** ~ Kindergarten (present)
  - b. **Olivia Beatty** ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (present)
  - c. **Colten Harris** ~ 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (absent)
  - d. **Devin Owen** ~ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (absent)
  - e. **Damian Smith** ~ 11<sup>th</sup> Grade (absent)
- 2) Athlete Recognition – Girls Bowling Team qualified to compete in State Finals
  - a. **Kyleigh Cary**
  - b. **Kaidyn Gibson**
  - c. **Emma Lee Grove**
  - d. **Isabella Grove**
  - e. **Elaina Lounsbery**
  - f. **Rachael McArther**
  - g. **Madalynn Rutz**

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Mrs. Wilkins moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Phelps 2<sup>nd</sup>

1) **Meeting Minutes**

A. Regular Meeting – March 23, 2026

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Public** - None

## **Reports**

### **1) Finance Report**

- JCISD Business Manager Kristina Kulka presented the finance report. She added that the finances are on track with the budget amendment.

### **2) Superintendent's Report**

- Superintendent PUNCHES reported that selection forms for the 27L grant distribution were sent out to employees.
- A graduation planning meeting was held to discuss seating for the ceremony due to all teachers attending this year.
- The 26/27 school calendar has been finalized and will be released soon.
- PUNCHES reported receiving positive feedback from last year's staff event, so he sent a google form again this year to gauge interest in dates for a LUGNUTS game.
- The BusRight app has been launched and information is available on the district website.
- A plan to create a capital improvement fund is underway and PUNCHES hopes to bring it to the Board for approval in May.

### **3) Board Reports/Sharing**

- Rachel Bean reported that 81 people visited the food pantry in March.

## **Action Items**

**New Hire** Mr. Warner moved to approve the **New Hire** recommendation as presented.

- a. **Kennadie Jones** ~ PBIS Assistant-EJE; effective 4/6/2026

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Mr. Cromley 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Contracts** Mrs. Wilkins moved to approve the **Administrative Contract Extensions** as presented.

- a. **Amy Blackledge** - EJE Principal
- b. **Joel Cook** - EJSS Principal
- c. **Regina Hoskins** - Transportation Supervisor
- d. **Jimmie Jones** - EJE Dean of Students
- e. **Josh Kubiak** - Athletic Director
- f. **Deana Minder** - Exec. Asst. to Superintendent
- g. **Rebecca Nutt** - Food Service Director
- h. **Skyler Stoker** – EJSS Dean of Students/Youth League Liaison
- i. **Randy Wilkinson** – Director of Operations

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Mrs. Bean 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Strategic Plan** Mr. Warner moved to adopt the 2026-2031 **Strategic Plan** as presented.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Mrs. Wilkins 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Bond** Mr. Cromley moved to approve the recommended **Bond Bid Awards** for the Secondary & Administration Building Projects as presented.

- a. **Mechanical – Positive trades Group**
- b. **Electrical – Bruton Electric, LLC**

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Mr. Warner 2<sup>nd</sup>

*There will be an additional bid for Board approval in May regarding Asbestos that was discovered via pre-construction testing.*

**Other Board Discussion Matters** - None

**Closed Session – Superintendent Evaluation**

Mr. Warner moved to enter a closed session at 6:16p.m.

| <u>Roll Call</u> | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
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| Jan Maino        | x          |           |
| Mishele Wilkins  | x          |           |
| Mickey Cromley   | x          |           |
| Kirk Warner      | x          |           |
| Rachel Bean      | x          |           |
| Amy Boatright    | Absent     |           |
| Adam Phelps      | x          |           |

Mrs. Wilkins moved to resume open session at 7:25p.m.

**Adjournment**

Mrs. Wilkins moved to adjourn this Board of Education meeting at 7:25p.m.

Mr. Cromley 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Kirk Warner  
Secretary  
East Jackson Board of Education