

**Houston Public Schools  
Houston, MO 65483**

Minutes of the Board of Education in regular session August 15, 2019

<b>Tax Rate Hearing</b>	The annual Tax Rate Hearing was held at 5:50 p.m. at the Houston Middle/High School Library Media Center. Jo Holland presented the public with figures approved by the State Auditor's Office. Incidental fund for the 2019-20 year is set at 2.7500. Debt Service is set at .8000. Total Tax Rate for the 2019-20 school year will be 3.5500.
<b>School Start Date Hearing</b>	The Board held a public hearing at 5:55 p.m. to ask for any public comment on starting school before Labor Day. There were no comments or questions.
<b>Quorum</b>	A regular meeting of the Board of Education Houston R-I School District of Texas County, Missouri was convened at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Christie Koch, Jennifer Scheets, Stacie Ely, Darren Ice, Jeff Gettys, and Jo Holland.
<b>Closed Session</b>	<p>A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Christie Koch to go into closed session pursuant to RsMO 610.021, subsections 3 and 13. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Jeff Gettys yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, Stacie Ely yea, Darren Ice yea, and Jo Holland yea.</p> <p>Open session began at 6:30 p.m.</p>
<b>Special Recognition</b>	None
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>	New staff led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
<b>Approve Agenda</b>	A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 6-0.
<b>Correspondence</b>	None
<b>MSTA/MNEA</b>	None
<b>Patron Comments</b>	None
<b>New Staff Introductions</b>	Principals introduced their new staff members to the Board.
<b>Dr. Joe Gilgour</b>	Spoke to the Board regarding Mineral Area College.
<b>Rob Harrington</b>	Spoke to the Board regarding Mineral Area College.
<b>Paragon</b>	Spoke to the Board regarding the Bond Project.
<b>Old Business</b>	
<b>2019A MSBA Reference Update</b>	A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Darren Ice to approve the 2019A MSBA Reference Updates as presented at the July Board meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

**New Business**  
Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Darren Ice and seconded by Stacie Ely to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes

Approve minutes from the previous Board Meetings.

Claims for Payment

Claims approved for payment were checks 21143-21311.

Transfers

None

**PT/OT Therapy Bids 2019-20**

A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Darren Ice to accept the Occupational Therapy Bid as presented by Full Potential Therapy and the Physical Therapy Bid as presented by Advanced Care Physical Therapy for the Exceptional Child Cooperative and Houston Schools services for the 2019-20 school year. Motion carried 6-0.

**Directors/Coordinators**

A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Jeff Gettys to approve the Director/Coordinator list as presented by Dr. Moss. Motion carried 6-0.

**2019B MSBA Reference Update**

Dr. Moss presented the Board with MSBA 2019B Reference Update for a first read. The Board will revisit at the September Board meeting. No action needed.

**Tax Rate**

A motion was made by Darren Ice for the Houston R-1 School District, in consideration of the education opportunities and expenses for the students, the maintenance and care of facilities, and operational needs of the school district will set the tax rate at \$3.55, the approved State Auditors rate. The motion was seconded by Christie Koch. Motion carried 6-0.

**Professional Development Plan**

A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Christie Koch to approve the Professional Development Plan for the 2019-20 school year as presented by Mrs. Steelman. Motion carried 6-0.

**ASBR**

A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Jeff Gettys to approve the Annual Secretary of the Board Report for the 2018-19 school year as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

**Local Hazard Mitigation Plan**

A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to adopt the Texas County Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan at Houston R-1 School District. Motion carried 6-0.

**CM at Risk vs. General Contractor**

The Board discussed CM at Risk vs General Contractor for the Bond Project. A motion was made by Darren Ice and seconded by Christie Koch to use a CM at Risk on the Bond Project. Motion carried 6-0.

**Boiler Change Orders 3 & 4**

A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Stacie Ely to approve Boiler change orders 3& 4 as presented by Dr. Moss. Motion

carried 6-0.

**Program Evaluations**

None

**Board Reports**

Administrators updated the Board regarding ongoing activities on the school campus.

**Patron Comments**

None

**Next Board Meeting**

A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Christie Koch to set the next regular Board meeting on September 10, 2019 in the High School Library Media Center at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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Secretary

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President

## Houston Public Schools

Minutes of the Board of Education in closed session August 15, 2019.

**Closed Session** A closed session meeting of the Board of Education Houston R-I School District of Texas County, Missouri was convened at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Christie Koch, Jennifer Scheets, Stacie Ely, Jeff Gettys, Darren Ice, and Jo Holland.

**Minutes** A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Stacie Ely to approve the minutes from the previous closed board meetings. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jeff Gettys yea, Darren Ice yea, and Jo Holland yea.

**Resignations** A motion was made by Darren Ice and seconded by Christie Koch to accept the resignation of Amber Clinton, Middle School Assistant Softball Coach. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jeff Gettys yea, Darren Ice yea, and Jo Holland yea.

**Employment** A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Christie Koch to employ Jessica Brewton, Paraprofessional, for the 2019-2020 school year, pending background check. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jeff Gettys yea, Darren Ice yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to employ Amanda Riviello, ECSE Supervisor at the Exceptional Child Cooperative, pending background check for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Jennifer Scheets, Stacie Ely yea, Jeff Gettys yea, Darren Ice yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Jennifer Scheets and seconded by Christie Koch to employ Whitney Smith, Early Childhood Behavior Interventionist at the Exceptional Child Cooperative, pending background check for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Jennifer Scheets, Stacie Ely yea, Jeff Gettys yea, Darren Ice yea, and Jo Holland yea.

**Adjourn** A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to adjourn into open session. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jeff Gettys yea, Darren Ice yea, and Jo Holland yea.

Closed session adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

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