

Hybrid Meeting of the Jackson Public School District  
Board of Trustees  
621 South State Street, Jackson, MS 39201  
Thursday, November 4, 2021  
5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Dr. Ed Sivak, President  
Barbara Hilliard, Vice-President  
Cynthia Thompson, Member  
Frank Figgers, Member

Board Members Absent

Letitia S. Johnson, Member

Participated via Video/Tele-conference

Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Member  
Dr. Robert Luckett, Secretary

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Errick L. Greene, Superintendent  
Dr. Michael Cormack, Deputy Supt.  
Hon. Dorian Turner, Board Attorney  
Larrisa Moore, Esq., DGC  
William Merritt, Chief of Staff  
Margaret Purnell, Interim CFO  
Joe Albright, COO  
Dr. Kathleen Grigsby, Elem. Asst. Supt.  
Sherwin Johnson, Communications  
Dr. Marvin Grayer, MS Asst. Supt.  
Laketia Thomas, High School Asst. Supt.

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

- I. Call to Order: Dr. Ed Sivak, Board President, called the Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District to order on November 4, 2021, at 5:32 P. M.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established as six (6) members; namely, President Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Robert Luckett, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, and Frank Figgers, were either present in person or participated via video/teleconference. Letitia Johnson was absent from the meeting.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Mrs. Hilliard moved that the Board adopt the agenda; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- IV. Reading and Approving Minutes
  - a. October 19, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item a; Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
  - b. October 27, 2021, Special Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item a; Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- V. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Term 1 Updates and Reflections

**Frank Figgers joined the meeting at 5:44 p.m.**

- VI. Public Participation for General Comments and/or Proposed Policy Issues:  
None
- VII. Information Items Only:
  - a. Bond Update
  - b. Review of Information Regarding the Emergency Declaration at Wilkins Elementary School for Collapsed Sewer Line Replacement

VIII. Information/Action Items:

- a. Approval of Mississippi Teacher Residency Mentors Pilot Program Compensation: The Board voted to approve item a. Cynthia Thompson motioned; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of the Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Issuance of a Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note (TAN) for \$20,000,000.00: The Board voted to approve item b. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Agreement between IMS Engineers and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item c. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

IX. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

- a. Approval of Various Budgets: The Board voted to approve item a. Cynthia Thompson motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Recommendation to Approve Various Donations: The Board voted to approve item b. Cynthia Thompson motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Contract Adjustment Change Order #1 (Add \$30,380.00) for Walkways and Building Joint Improvements for Whitten Middle School: The Board voted to approve item c. Cynthia Thompson motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- d. Approval of the Accounts Payable Claims Docket and the Ratification of the Travel and Activity Funds Claims for the Period of October 9, 2021, through October 22, 2021: The Board voted to approve item c. Cynthia Thompson motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

X. Consent Agenda Items - General:

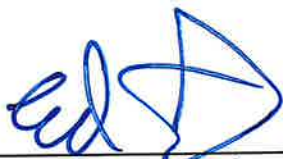
- a. Approval of Coordinator Out-of-School Experiences Job Description: The Board voted to approve item a. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Board Policy Amendment Recommendations: Policies JDL and JBL: The Board voted to approve item b. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XI. Consent Agenda Items - Personnel:

- a. Approval of Staff Personnel Matters: The Board voted to approve Staff Personnel as presented. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Cynthia Thompson second; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Lockett, and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session:

- XIII. Adjourn: Cynthia Thompson moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. That motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.



Ed Sivak, Board President

11-16-2021

Date



Robert Lockett, Board Secretary

11-16-2021

Date

