

DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016  
TIME: 5:30 P.M.  
KIND OF MEETING: REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT  
WHERE HELD: 621 SOUTH STATE STREET JACKSON, MS 39201  
  
MEMBERS PRESENT: MS. BENETA D. BURT, BOARD PRESIDENT  
MR. RICKEY D. JONES, VICE PRESIDENT  
MS. CAMILLE S. SIMMS, SECRETARY  
MR. JED OPPENHEIM, MEMBER  
DR. RICHARD LIND, MEMBER  
MR. KODI D. HOBBS, MEMBER  
MS. KIMBERLY L. CAMPBELL, ESQ. PARTICIPATED VIA TELEPHONE

ATTORNEYS AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Dr. Cedrick Gray	Mr. Sherwin Johnson
Dr. Margrit Wallace	Ms. Chinelo Evans
Ms. Saundra Lyons	Hon. JoAnne N. Shepherd
Ms. Sharolyn Miller	Mr. Fred D. Davis
Dr. Fredrick Murray	Dr. William Merritt, IV
Dr. Michelle King	Dr. Jason Sargent
Ms. Stephanie Nelson	Dr. Merio Miller
Hon. Dorian Turner	

*Mrs. Vikki D. Mumford, Board Secretary, was keeper of record for this board meeting.*

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District was called to order at 5:33 P.M. by Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President. She extended greetings to all and called for the introduction of the student who would lead the pledge, followed by the minister who would bring the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: JaNorris Harmon, a senior at Provine High School, led the pledge of allegiance. JaNorris, an honor student, is a member of the football and track team. He is also active in other extracurricular activities. His career goal is to become a civil engineer upon completion of his college education at Jackson State University. His mother, Mrs. Vatrice Harmon, was recognized at the meeting along with his younger brother. Dr. Laketia Marshall Thomas, Principal, and other staff members from Provine were also recognized.

The Prayer of Invocation: The invocation was rendered by Rev. Wendell H. Paris, a native of the black belt of Alabama, a small community near the City of Livingston. During his adolescent years, his family moved to Tuskegee, Alabama where he completed high school and enrolled in Tuskegee Institute. He earned a B.S. Degree in Agricultural Economics and became deeply involved in the Civil Rights Movement at that time and during his tenure at Tuskegee Institute.

In 1990, Reverend Paris moved to Jackson, Mississippi, to work with the Christian Children's Fund, (CCF) and to assist child care providers in addressing cultural, social, health and educational needs of indigent children and families. As a result of his many endeavors, Rev. Paris is a recipient of numerous awards and accolades. He accepted his call to the ministry in the early 1990's and presently he serves as director of membership care and visitation with the New Hope Baptist Church Family here in Jackson. Rev. Paris also coordinates a community garden development in the north Jackson community. He is married to Joyce McLaurin Paris and together they have two children, Laurin and Tarsha. His favorite scripture is: Micah 6: 8: "He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you; but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God."



Jackson Public Schools

**For Release: August 31, 2016**

**Subject: JPS Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Contact: Sherwin Johnson, JPS Public and Media Relations, 601-960-8935**

The Board of Trustees of Jackson Public Schools will hold their regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, in the School Board meeting room at 621 South State Street. The Board also will take into consideration any other matter properly coming before the Board.

The meeting will be available on the JPS ITV You Tube Channel at a later date.



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On August 4, 2016, Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell, Esq., took the oath of office as a board member to replace Dr. Otha Burton, Jr., whose term expired June 30, 2016. Dr. Cedrick Gray is Superintendent of this District; the Hon. JoAnne N. Shepherd is District Counsel and the Hon. Dorian Turner is Board Attorney. Mrs. Vikki D. Mumford is Secretary to the Board of Trustees. Her contact information is: [Vnumford@jackson.k12.ms.us](mailto:Vnumford@jackson.k12.ms.us), and the board office direct line is 601/973-8625.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

September 6, 2016, Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District was called to order at 5:33 P.M., by Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President. She established that a quorum was present. The quorum consisted of five (5) seated members; and one member, Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell, participating by telephone, for a total of six (6) participating members at that time. Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was tardy, arriving at 5:50 P.M.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct account of attendance of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of said District that was held on the 6th day of September, 2016, as the same appears on record in the Minute Book of said Board.

Give under my hand, this the 7th day of September, 2016.

  
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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees



Jackson Public Schools

## **FINAL AGENDA**

### **Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT**

DATE: September 6, 2016

TIME: 5:30 PM

PLACE: 621 South State Street Jackson, MS 39201

#### **I. Call to Order**

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| a. Greetings and Opening Remarks        | <b>Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President</b> |
| b. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag | <b>High School Division</b>                |
| c. The Prayer of Invocation             | <b>Minister</b>                            |

#### **II. Establishment of Quorum**

#### **III. Adoption of Agenda**

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| a. Review of Appealed and Non-Appealed Discipline Cases | <b>Dr. Bishop Knox, Executive Director of Student Services</b> |
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#### **IV. Reading and Approving Minutes**

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| a. August 16, 2016, Regular Meeting and the August 23, 2016, Special Meeting | <b>Mrs. Vikki D. Mumford, Secretary to the Board of Trustees</b> |
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#### **V. Public Participation for General Comments and / or Proposed Policy Issues**

#### **VI. Superintendent's Reports / Announcements**

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| a. Update on Wildly Important Goals | <b>Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent</b> |
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#### **VII. Information Items Only:**

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| a. Review of Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015 | <b>Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer</b> |
| b. Review of Policies                                  | <b>Ms. JoAnne N. Shepherd, District Counsel</b>     |

#### **VIII. Information / Action Items:**

#### **IX. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Finance:**

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| a. Approval of Accounts Payable and Activity Fund Claims for Period of August 6, 2016, through August 26, 2016 | <b>Ms. Sharolyn Miller, CFO</b> |
| b. Approval of Various Donations   | <b>Ms. Miller</b>               |

- c. Approval of Various Budgets for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Ms. Miller

**X. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - General:**

- a. Approval of Partnership Agreement between Innovations for Learning and the Jackson Public School District (WIG 1) Dr. Michelle King, Executive Director of Academics
- b. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Hinds Behavioral Health and the Jackson Public School District (WIGS 1 and 2) Dr. Knox
- c. Approval of Agreement between the Jackson Public School District and American Medical Response (AMR) (WIG 2) Mr. Clinton Johnson, JPSD Athletic Director
- d. Approval of Agreement between the Jackson Public School District and Millsaps College (WIG 1) Mr. Johnson
- e. Approval of Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services in Schools (MCOPS) Grant on behalf of the Jackson Public School District (WIG 2) Mr. Gerald Jones, Executive Director of Campus Enforcement

**XI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Personnel:**

- a. Approval of Staff Personnel Matters Ms. Sandra Lyons, Executive Director of Human Resources

**XII. Other Business**

- a. Discussion on Legislative Survey Ms. Burt, Board President

**XIII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session**

**XIV. Adjourn**

III  
Adoption of the Agenda  
Board File

ORDER ADOPTING THE AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2016,  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Having reviewed the agenda, Dr. Richard Lind moved to adopt the agenda as printed. Mr. Rickey D. Jones seconded the motion. All six (6) participating members voted "aye," in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was absent from the vote.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District held on the 6th day of September, 2016, as the same appears on record in the Minute Book of said Board.

Given under my hand this the 7th day of September, 2016.

  
Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees



III. a.a.  
Dr. Gray/Shepherd  
Board File

ORDER CONVENING EXECUTIVE SESSION TO REVIEW AN APPEALED  
STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE: CASE NUMBER 17-2

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING AND CONSIDER CONVENING EXECUTIVE SESSION:  
Mr. Rickey D. Jones moved, seconded by Dr. Richard Lind, to close the meeting for a determination of whether to go into executive session to review a student discipline case. All six (6) participating members voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell continued her participation by telephone. Mr. Kodi Hobbs was absent from the vote.

MOTION TO CONVENE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO REVIEW A STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE: Ms. Camille S. Simms moved, seconded by Mr. Rickey D. Jones, for the Board to enter into executive session to review a student discipline case, Case Number: 17-2. All six (6) participating members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Following the vote, Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs arrived at 5:50 P.M., in time to participate in the case for review.

In executive session, the Board received a synopsis of the case, Case Number 17-2 from Dr. Bishop Knox, Executive Director of Student Services. Dr. Knox explained how and why this case was set for review by the Board following the recommendation of the Student Admission Appeals Committee. The committee had recommended expulsion of the student from the Jackson Public School District's, regular classroom, for a period of one (1) calendar year or one full school year; and that this student will be placed in the Capital City Alternative School for the same period of time.

Upon careful review of the facts by the board, and after the student and father of the student had addressed the Board, along with the school's administrative staff, Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell moved, seconded by Ms. Camille S. Simms, that the determination of the Student Admission Committee should be upheld; and that Student Case Number 17-2, should continue his placement at the Capital City Alternative School for one (1) full school year. Six (6) of seven (7) board member voted "aye" in favor of the motion; one board member, Mr. Jed Oppenheim, opposed the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 6 to 1.

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Mr. Rickey D. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs, for the Board to exit executive session. All seven (7) board members voted unanimously in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0. The executive session was adjourned.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

GIVEN under my hand, this the 7th day of September, 2016.

  
Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees



III. a  
- Knox  
- Board File

ORDER UPHOLDING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE STUDENT ADMISSION APPEALS COMMITTEE  
FOR THE EXPULSION OF STUDENT CASE NO. 17-2 EFFECTIVE AUGUST 10, 2016

Dr. Bishop Knox, Ph.D., Executive Director of Student Services and Alternative Education, brought to the attention of the Board of Trustees a recommendation from the school's administrative staff and the Student Admission Appeals Committee, that Student Case No. 17-2, should be expelled from the Jackson Public School District's regular classroom setting, effective August 10, 2016, with placement in the Capital City Alternative School.

The Student Admission Appeals Committee met concerning this case on August 16, 2016, and recommended that Student Case No. 17-2 be expelled from the Jackson Public School District effective, August 10, 2016, with placement at the Capital City Alternative School.

A copy of the summary of this case is on file in the office of Dr. Bishop Knox, Executive Director of Student Services. After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the recommendation of the Student Admission Appeals Committee was well received and should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made, by Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell, seconded by Ms. Camille S. Simms, and for good cause shown, six (6) of seven (7) board members voted "aye", in favor of the motion; one board member, Mr. Jed Oppenheim, voted "nay" in opposition to the motion. The motion carried by a vote of six (6) to one (1).

IT IS, THEREFORE, the opinion of this Board that the summary of evidence has been carefully reviewed, that the Board has independently considered all pertinent facts and has formulated its own judgment with respect to the penalty and thereby approves the recommendation of the school's administrative staff and the Student Admission Appeals Committee, for Student Case No. 17-2, to be expelled from the Jackson Public School District's regular classroom setting, effective August 10, 2016, with placement at the Capital City Alternative School for the period of one full school year.

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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF  
THE AUGUST 16, 2016, REGULAR MEETING  
AND THE AUGUST 23, 2016, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

Mr. Rickey D. Jones moved, seconded by Dr. Richard Lind, to approve minutes of the August 16, 2016, Regular Meeting and the August 23, 2016, Special Called Meeting. All seven (7) members voted "aye," in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0. Following the vote, the board had a discussion about the GAOC Policy, and at the conclusion of the discussion, the secretary to the Board was directed to place the approved GACO Policy on the website with the order approving same. The GACO policy concerned itself with the Possession of Weapons by Campus Enforcement on School Grounds and/or at School Activities.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceeding of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

Public Participation

Dr. Spurgeon Banyard: Dr. Banyard was desirous of addressing the Board about a personnel matter in open meeting. Ms. Dorian Turner, Board Attorney, advised the Board that this matter should be first taken up in executive session.

Akeem Staff: A representative from the Jackson Federation of Teachers (JFT) spoke in opposition to a letter received by this group from the Office of District Counsel of JPS, putting into effect the gag policy, which forebodes the JFT Organization from being on campus during instructional time.

Joel Dillard: Mr. Dillard stated that he was present to encourage the District not to approve the GAG Policy.

Jan Hillegas: Ms. Hillegas recalled her appearance before the board on July 26, 2016, relative to the privatization of hiring substitute teachers by Kelly Services; and concerns relative to the exceptional education department providing services to needy children.

Lukia Lumumba: Is a parent of a child enrolled at Casey. Her concern was relative to school safety.

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Note: Dorian Turner offered a response to Jan Hillegas: She said that, "Public Participation is intended to be a one-way vehicle. We have what we call a 'Public Record Request System.' Board members are not required to provide you with their opinion(s). This forum allows citizens an opportunity to give the community a chance to hear public issues.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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September 6, 2016

The vision of Jackson Public Schools is to have high-performing schools that serve high-performing scholars in clean and safe environments.

The wildly important goals of JPS are:

1. **Increase academic achievement**
2. **Increase average daily attendance for scholars and staff and,**
3. **Attract and retain high quality staff**

Our mission, we are **Building Stronger Schools Together** so that **Every Scholar, Every day, is Ready For Life.**

### **Town Hall Meeting**

Join me and the Jackson Public Schools Board of Trustees as we inform the community of the accomplishments and challenges of the District at an upcoming Town Hall Meeting on **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**. The event will begin at 6 p.m. at Provine High School located at 2400 Robinson Street. I look forward to seeing you there.

### **FAFSA Days Planned for JPS High School Seniors**

High school seniors, ask your school counselor for an appointment for FREE assistance to submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA. This is the first step to receiving money for college. Students and their families will also receive assistance completing Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid application and guidance on college funding resources. The Jackson Get2College Center is hosting Saturday FAFSA Days on **November 5, 2016, and January 28, 2017**. Students must call (601) 321-5533 to make an appointment.

For more information, please visit the District website, [Jackson.k12.ms.us](http://Jackson.k12.ms.us).

### **JPS JROTC Director Receives Mississippi National Guard's Highest Medal**

Col. Paul Willis, Director of Jackson Public Schools JROTC, was honored by Maj. Gen. Augustus L. Collins, the Adjutant General of the Mississippi National Guard, on August 30, 2016. During a surprise event, Collins presented Willis with the prestigious Magnolia Cross award along with a citation signed by Mississippi Gov. Phil Bryant. The Mississippi Magnolia Cross is the highest peacetime award that the Mississippi National Guard has to present.

### **Brown Elementary School Opens STEM Maker Space Studio**

Brown Elementary School scholars celebrated the grand opening of their Maker Space studio on August 19. Students invited the community, community leaders, and parents to the studio opening where they demonstrated their design skills. The studio was made possible through a grant awarded in 2014 from the Toyota USA Foundation and the Mississippi Center for Education Innovation. Grant funds provided STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) resources and materials to outfit the studio, which facilitates hands-on experiences that expose and excite students about STEM fields and creates a culture for further career exploration and possibilities.

**Internship Experience Prepares JPS Scholars For College & Careers**

For the third consecutive summer, Parents for Public Schools of Jackson facilitated Jackson's Summer Internship Initiative called "Engage, Enlighten, Employ," or E3 for short. Funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, the primary goal of the program was to develop the college- and career-readiness of the participating students, who were all from JPS high schools. Sixty-three JPS scholars completed the program after an engaging internship experience aligned to the students' career interests. The program taught participants employability and technical skills. The students' capstone projects were to develop a personal opportunity plan and the deliver a three-minute presentation for the final program activity which was held in July. Slideshows of the students' internship and mantra posters are available on the District's website, [jackson.k12.ms.us](http://jackson.k12.ms.us).

**Merrill Lynch Donates School Supplies To Lake Elementary**

Merrill Lynch partnered with Lake Elementary to make sure that all scholars have the supplies they need to be successful in school. The organization delivered over 3,100 school supply items to Lake as well as a \$250 Community Volunteer Grant from Bank of America. The school's leadership team was on hand to accept the generous donations. Every scholar will have the supplies they need daily as the Lake Elementary staff ensures that they are ready for life.

INFORMATION ITEMS ONLY

Review of Audit Findings for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015

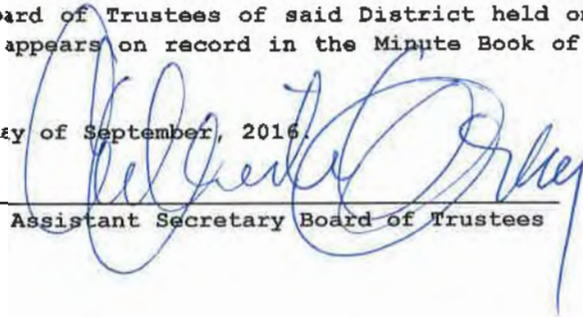
Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer, gave highlights regarding the District's Annual Audit Findings. The audit was performed by Watkins Stafford PLLC Accounting Firm. Through your support and the leadership of Dr. Gray, our fund balance now is approximately \$15 million, which is 7.8% of revenue and is in line with District's required percentage. We are extremely pleased with this audit as we now enjoy a favorable rating from Standard and Poor's.

We did have two findings that we have to address. They are: (1) transportation for which the auditors have issues with overtime, especially, as it affects the budget. We have initiated time clocks at the north and south barns. We have realized significant improvement in overtime.

(2) A second finding, not a material weakness, is capital assets that the District manages through our electronic system.

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Given under my hand this the 7th day of September, 2016.

  
Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

VII. b.  
Shepherd/Policies

INFORMATION ITEMS ONLY

Ms. Shepherd stated that: These Policies are provided for information only. Meanwhile, they will be put out in the schools and on our website as well. They will stay out until our next board meeting. Certain policies are recommended for deletion. (See list attached.)

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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees



INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

NONE

IX. a  
Gray/Miller  
Board File

**ORDER APPROVING ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACTIVITY FUND CLAIMS  
FOR PERIOD OF AUGUST 6, 2016, THROUGH AUGUST 26, 2016**

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent; presented by Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer, for approval of accounts payable and activity fund claims for the period of August 6, 2016, through August 26, 2016. A copy of the report was included in the board material and a copy is hereto attached.

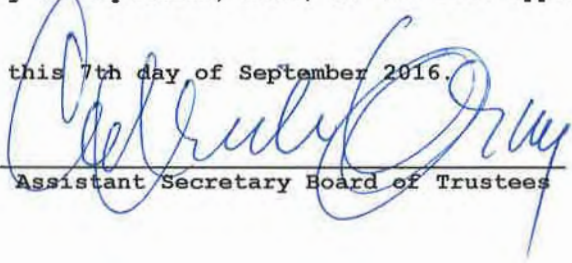
After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that accounts payable and activity fund claims were well received and that the recommendation should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made by Dr. Richard Lind, seconded by Mr. Jed Oppenheim, and for good cause shown, six (6) of the seven (7) board members present voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0 to approve the recommendation. Mr. Kodi Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED THAT the recommendation to approve accounts payable and activity fund claims for the period of August 6, 2016, through August 26, 2016, IS HEREBY APPROVED. A copy of the claims report was included in the board material and a copy is hereto attached.

The undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify, that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6th day of September, 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

IX. b  
Gray/Miller  
Board File

**ORDER APPROVING THE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION  
TO ACCEPT VARIOUS DONATIONS TO DEPARTMENTS/SCHOOLS**

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent; presented by Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer, to accept various donations to departments/schools. The list of donations was included in the board material and was read at the board meeting.

After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the above recommendation to accept various donations was well received and should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made by Dr. Richard Lind, seconded by Mr. Jed Oppenheim and for good cause shown, six (6) of seven (7) board members voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, as presented by Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer, to accept various donations to department/schools, IS HEREBY APPROVED. A list of the donations is hereto attached.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6th day of September, 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

APPROVAL OF VARIOUS BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent; presented by Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer, for approval of various budgets for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. A copy of the executive summary, the rationale and justification for each budget item was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

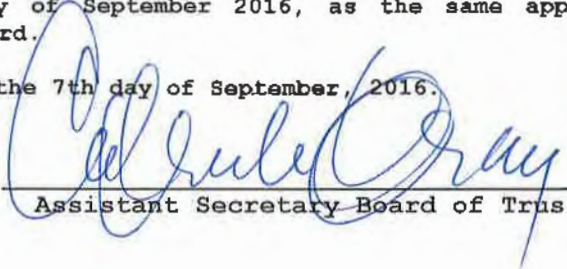
After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the above recommendation for approval of various budgets for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was well received and should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made by Dr. Richard Lind, seconded by Mr. Jed Oppenheim, and for good cause shown, six (6) of seven (7) board members voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, as presented by Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer, for approval of various budgets for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, IS HEREBY APPROVED. A copy of the executive summary, the rationale and justification for each budget item was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6th day of September 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

GIVEN under my hand, this the 7th day of September, 2016.

  
Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

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Gray/King  
Board File

APPROVAL OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN INNOVATIONS FOR  
LEARNING AND THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent; presented by Dr. Michelle King, Executive Director of Academics, for approval of a partnership agreement between Innovations for Learning and the Jackson Public School District. A copy of the executive summary and the partnership agreement was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the above recommendation was well received and should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made by Ms. Camille S. Simms, seconded by Dr. Richard Lind, and for good cause shown, all six (6) board members present voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, as presented by Dr. Michelle King, Executive Director of Academics, for approval of a partnership agreement between Innovations for Learning and the Jackson Public School District, IS HEREBY APPROVED. A copy of the executive summary and the partnership agreement was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

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Gray/Knox  
Board File

APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN HINDS BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH SERVICES AND THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent; presented by Dr. Bishop Knox, Executive Director of Student Services, for approval of a memorandum of understanding between Hinds Behavioral Health Services and the Jackson Public School District. A copy of the memorandum of understanding was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

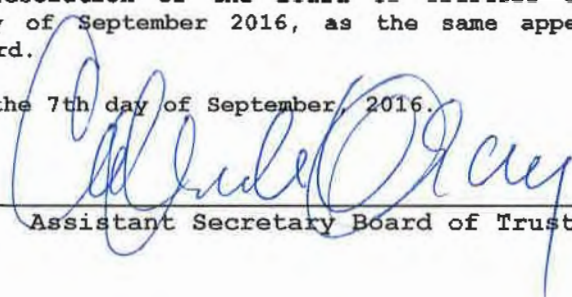
After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the above recommendation was well received and should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made by Ms. Camille S. Simms, seconded by Dr. Richard Lind, and for good cause shown, all six (6) board members present voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, as presented by Dr. Bishop Knox, Executive Director of Student Services, for approval of a memorandum of understanding between Hinds Behavioral Health Services and the Jackson Public School District, IS HEREBY APPROVED. A copy of the memorandum of understanding was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

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Gray/Johnson  
Board File

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE  
AND THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent; presented by Mr. Clinton Johnson, Athletic Director, for the Jackson Public School District, seeking approval of an agreement between the American Medical Response and the Jackson Public School District. A copy of the agreement was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the above recommendation for an agreement with American Medical Response was well received and should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made by Ms. Camille S. Simms, seconded by Dr. Richard Lind, and for good cause shown, all six (6) board members present voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, as presented by Mr. Clinton Johnson, Athletic Director, for the Jackson Public School District, seeking approval of an agreement between the American Medical Response and the Jackson Public School District, IS HEREBY APPROVED. A copy of the agreement was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

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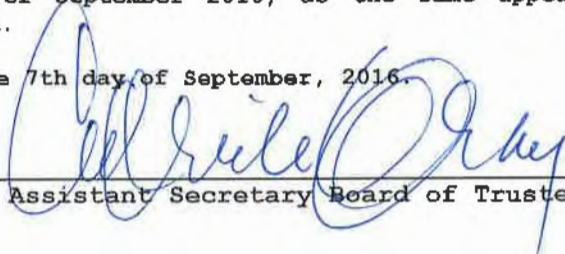
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Gray/Johnson  
Board File

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MILLSAPS COLLEGE  
AND THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President, with the consensus of the Board, moved to put this item on hold for the present time with the outlook of this item being fully addressed at the next regular board meeting.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6th day of September 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

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Gray/G. Jones  
Board File

ON THE BOARD'S AGENDA FOR APPROVAL  
MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES  
IN SCHOOLS (MCOPS) GRANT ON BEHALF OF  
THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent; presented by Mr. Gerald Jones, Executive Director of Campus Enforcement, seeking approval of the Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services in Schools (MCOPS) Grant on behalf of the District. A copy of the grant and supporting documents was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

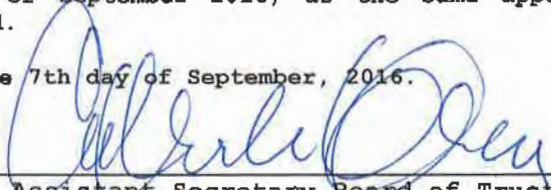
After due discussion and consideration, Mr. Jed Oppenheim made a motion to deny the recommendation to approve the grant. The motion died for lack of a second to the motion.

Therefore, Dr. Jason Sargent explained how an evaluation of this grant can be done with little or no cost to the District. With the assistance of Dr. Jason Sargent, Dorian Turner, Board Attorney, suggested language and conditions for grant approval and that was acceptable to them to move forward with the grant.

The approving order is set out on the following page.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6th day of September 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

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Gray/G. Jones  
Board File

APPROVAL OF MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES  
IN SCHOOLS (MCOPS) GRANT ON BEHALF OF  
THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, presented by Mr. Gerald Jones, Executive Director of Campus Enforcement, seeking approval of the Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services in Schools (MCOPS) Grant on behalf of the District. Copies of the grant and supporting documents were included in the board material and copies of same are hereto attached.

After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the grant should be approved, but subject to certain conditions. First, over the course of this current school year, district staff will conduct a survey of various stakeholders, including, but not limited to, students, parents, employees and security officers. The survey instrument to be used will have been developed by an independent evaluator and will be presented to board members for their consideration and approval prior to dissemination. Upon receipt of board approval, the survey instrument will be disseminated in a similar manner as the MAEP litigation survey. The goal of this procedure is to minimize the cost of the survey to the district, but ensure a reliable level of validity and independence. Next, the survey will be conducted in a manner and on a schedule that will allow survey results to be reported to the board in time for them to take the results into account when considering whether or not to renew the district's application for the MCOPS grant next school year. In addition to survey results, district staff will also provide board members a report containing information on school safety and the presence of guns in schools, along with a cost/budget report for the district's campus enforcement department, including amounts spent on equipment, weapons, salaries, training, etc.

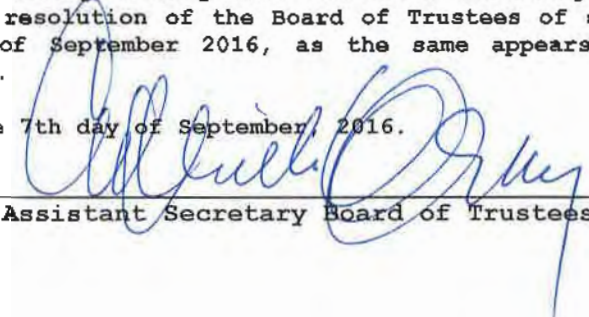
Subject to the above-stated conditions, Dr. Richard Lind moved, and Ms. Camille S. Simms seconded the motion to approve the MCOPS grant on behalf of the district. For good cause shown, five (5) of the six (6) participating members voted "aye" in favor of the motion and Mr. Jed Oppenheim opposed the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5 to 1. Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that, subject to the above-stated conditions, the recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, as presented by Mr. Gerald Jones, Executive Director of Campus Enforcement, seeking approval of Mississippi

Community Oriented Policing Services in Schools (MCOPS) Grant on behalf of the District, IS HEREBY APPROVED. A copy of the grant and supporting documents was included in the board material, and a copy of same is hereto attached.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District adopted on the 6th day of September 2016, as the same appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

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XI. a  
Gray/Lyons  
Board File

ORDER APPROVING THE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION  
FOR ALL STAFF PERSONNEL MATTERS

The Board received a recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, presented by Ms. Saundra Lyons, Executive Director of Human Resources, for approval of all Staff Personnel Matters. A copy of the personnel report was provided in the board material and a copy of same is hereto attached.

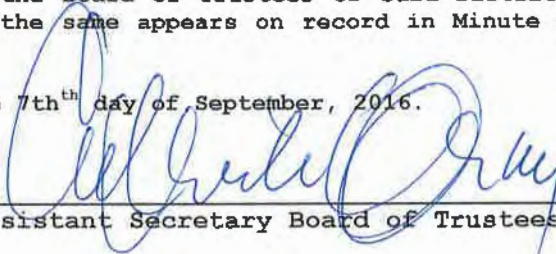
After due discussion and consideration, the Board determined that the above recommendation was well received and that all items should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made by Dr. Richard Lind, seconded by Mr. Jed Oppenheim, and for good cause shown, all six (6) participating members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was absent from the vote.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the recommendation from Dr. Cedrick Gray, Superintendent, as presented by Ms. Saundra Lyons, Executive Director of Human Resources, for approval of all Staff Personnel Matters, is HEREBY APPROVED. A copy of the personnel report was provided in the board material and a copy of the report is hereto attached.

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Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

XII. a.  
Other Business

DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATIVE SURVEY

This matter was placed on hold at the present time.

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees of said District held on the 6th day of September, 2016, as the same appears on record in the Minute Book of said Board.

Given under my hand this the 7th day of September, 2016.

  
Assistant Secretary Board of Trustees

XIII. a  
Dr. Gray/Shepherd  
Board File

ORDER CONVENING EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO CONSIDER CONVENING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION:  
Mr. Rickey D. Jones moved, seconded by Ms. Camille S. Simms, to close the meeting to determine what topic(s) will be discussed in executive session. All six (6) participating board members voted "aye", in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell participated by telephone. Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was absent from the vote.

MOTION TO CONVENE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER:  
Mr. Rickey D. Jones, moved, seconded by Mr. Jed Oppenheim, to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter brought by Dr. Spurgeon Banyard in the public participation segment of the meeting. All six (6) participating members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 6 to 0. Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was absent from the vote.

In executive session, the board granted Dr. Spurgeon Banyard an opportunity to make his 3-minute statement, which he had signed up for during public participation and which had been moved to executive session because it dealt with district personnel. The board listened to Dr. Banyard but took no action.

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Mr. Rickey D. Jones moved, and Ms. Camille S. Simms seconded the motion, to exit executive session. All members present voted "aye". Note: Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell had disconnected from the conference call at this time. The motion carried 5 to 0. Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was absent from the vote.

Upon entering open session, the board attorney reported on the actions taken in executive session. Mr. Rickey D. Jones then moved, and Ms. Camille S. Simms, seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voted aye. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

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XIV. Adjournment  
September 6, 2016, Regular Meeting  
Board File

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Rickey D. Jones moved, seconded by Ms. Camille S. Simms, to adjourn the meeting. All five (5) members present voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5 to 0. Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell was disconnected from the telephone and was absent from the vote and Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs was absent from the vote.

  
Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President

  
Ms. Camille S. Simms, Board Secretary