



JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

621 SOUTH PRESIDENT STREET

JACKSON, MS 39201

SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017, 5:00 P.M.

LOCATION: MISSISSIPPI ROADMAP TO HEALTH EQUITY

2548 LIVINGSTON ROAD, SUITE 1, JACKSON, MS 39213

Members Present

Board Members Present

Ms. Beneta D. Burt, President  
Mr. Rickey D. Jones, Vice President  
Ms. Camille S. Simms, Secretary  
Mr. Jed Oppenheim, Member  
Dr. Richard Lind, Member  
Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs  
Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell, Esq.

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Freddrick Murray, Interim Supt.  
Hon. Dorian Turner, Board Attorney  
Hon. JoAnne Shepherd, Dist. Counsel



Jackson Public Schools

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT A *SPECIAL MEETING* OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS BEEN SCHEDULED AS DESCRIBED BELOW:**

**PLACE:** Mississippi Roadmap to Health Equity  
2548 Livingston Road, Suite 1  
Jackson, Mississippi 39213

**DATE:** *Tuesday, January 3, 2017*  
*5:00 p.m.*

**PURPOSE AND**

**AGENDA:** Call to Order  
Establishment of Quorum  
Adoption of Agenda  
Information/Action Items:  
    Superintendent Search Process  
    Approval of Staff Personnel Matters:  
        Approval of Principal at Forest Hill High School  
        Approval of Interim Principal at Whitten Middle School

The Board of Trustees may also take up any other matters properly coming before the Board.

So posted this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2017.

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**Call to Order:**

Board president, Beneta Burt, called the meeting to order. All seven board members were present. Mrs. Simms arrived shortly after the start of the meeting.

**Word of Inspiration:**

Dr. Richard Lind provided the word of inspiration.

**Adoption of Agenda:**

Mr. Rickey D. Jones moved, and Dr. Richard Lind seconded the motion, to adopt the agenda with the addition of one personnel item, Approval of Interim Principal at Poindexter Elementary School. Materials for this item were included in Novus but it was inadvertently left off the agenda. Five board members (Ms. Beneta Burt, Mr. Rickey Jones, Dr. Richard Lind, Ms. Kimberly Campbell and Mr. Kodi Hobbs) voted “aye” in favor of the motion. Mr. Jed Oppenheim voted nay in opposition to the motion. The motion passed. Mrs. Camille Simms was not present for the vote.

**Information/Action Items: Superintendent Search Process**

Board attorney, Dorian Turner, reported to board members and answered questions regarding past superintendent searches and presented board members with documentation regarding same. Board members discussed a proposed search process and scope of the search - local, regional or national. They also received comments and answered questions from members of the audience.

Dr. Richard Lind moved that the board move forward with issuing an RFP for a superintendent search consulting firm, which motion died for lack of a second.

Upon further discussion, Mr. Jones moved, and Mr. Hobbs seconded the motion, that the board table its discussion regarding the employment of search consulting firm and conduct a follow-up meeting to discuss criteria for the next superintendent. Five board members (Mr. Kodi Hobbs,

Ms. Kimberly Campbell, Mr. Jed Oppenheim, Ms. Camille Simms and Mr. Rickey Jones) voted “aye” in favor of the motion. Two board members (Ms. Burt and Dr. Lind) voted “nay” in opposition to the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 2.

**Approval of Staff Personnel Items: Principal at Forest Hill High School, Interim Principal at Whitten Middle School and Interim Principal at Poindexter Elementary School**

Dr. Richard Lind moved, and Mr. Kodi Hobbs seconded the motion, to close the meeting to discuss the need for an executive session. Six board members (Ms. Burt, Mr. Jones, Dr. Lind, Ms. Campbell, Mr. Hobbs and Ms. Simms) voted “aye” in favor of the motion. Mr. Oppenheim voted “nay” in opposition to the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 1.

Mrs. Camille Simms moved, and Mr. Kodi Hobbs seconded the motion, to enter into executive session to discuss all three personnel recommendations, namely, principal at Forest Hill High School, interim principal at Whitten Middle School and interim principal at Poindexter Elementary School. Six board members (Ms. Burt, Mr. Jones, Dr. Lind, Ms. Campbell, Mr. Hobbs and Ms. Simms) voted “aye” in favor of the motion. Mr. Jed Oppenheim voted “nay” in opposition to the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 1; and the board was declared to be in executive session.

In executive session, Dr. Freddrick Murray reported to the board and answered questions regarding each of his personnel recommendations. Mrs. Camille Simms then moved, and Dr. Richard Lind seconded the motion, to approve all three recommendations, namely, Mr. Victor Ellis as principal at Forest Hill High School, Mr. Roderick Smith as interim principal at Whitten Middle School and Ms. Yolanda Lloyd as interim principal at Poindexter Elementary School, all as set out in the board materials. Six (6) board members (Ms. Burt, Dr. Lind, Ms. Campbell, Mr. Hobbs, Mr. Oppenheim and Ms. Simms) voted “aye” in favor of the motion. The motion passed; one member, Mr. Jones, voted “nay” in opposition to the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 1.

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Dr. Richard Lind moved, and Mrs. Camille Simms seconded the motion, to exit executive session. All seven board members (Ms. Burt, Mr. Jones, Dr. Lind, Ms. Campbell, Mr. Hobbs, Mr. Oppenheim and Ms. Simms) voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

Back on open session, Mr. Jones moved, and Mr. Hobbs seconded the motion, that the superintendent be directed to present to the board, at each board meeting, a checklist regarding the status of completion of the CAP. All seven board members (Burt, Jones, Lind, Campbell, Hobbs, Oppenheim and Simms) voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

Adjournment

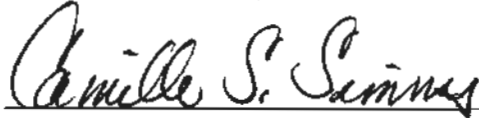
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Adjournment:

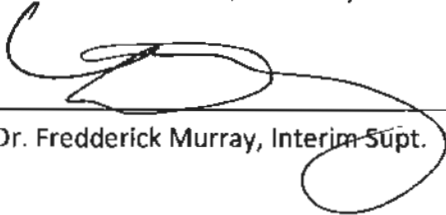
There being no further business, Mr. Kodi Hobbs moved, and Ms. Kimberly Campbell seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. All seven board members (Ms. Burt, Mr. Jones, Dr. Lind, Ms. Campbell, Mr. Hobbs, Mr. Oppenheim and Ms. Simms) voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Approval of Minutes for Special Meeting for Tuesday, January 3, 2017

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Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President

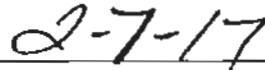


Ms. Camille S. Simms, Secretary



Dr. Frederick Murray, Interim Supt.

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