

JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
621 SOUTH STATE STREET
JACKSON, MS 39201
REGULAR MEETING OF THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017

Board 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
Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell, Member, Esq.
Mr. Kodi D. Hobbs, Member

Board Members Absent

Secretary to Board of Trustees

Mrs. Vikki D. Mumford

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Fredrick Murray, Interim Supt.
Hon. Dorian Turner, Board Attorney
Hon. JoAnne Shepherd, Dist. Counsel
Dr. Jason Sargent, Chief of Staff
Dr. William Merritt, IV, Elem., CAO
Dr. Michelle King, Elem., CAO
Ms. Chinelo Evans, CAO
Dr. Morris Stanton, High School, CAO
Mr. Sherwin Johnson, Communications
Ms. Sharolyn Miller, CFO
Dr. Bishop Knox, Dir. Student Serv.
Dr. Margaret Wallace, Chief AO
Ms. Sandra Lyons, Ex. Director HR
Ms. Stephanie Nelson, Asst. Dir.

Note: Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell participated via teleconference.

- I. Call to Order, Pledge to the Flag, and Moment of Inspiration: The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President. She extended greeting to all; and we are happy to see you in spite of the rain. Thanks to the viewers in our television audience. We appreciate your interest in the Jackson Public Schools. Finally, thanks to all of our schools for the wonderful gifts that you showered us with during School Board Member Appreciation Week. One of our school board members is wearing one of your t-shirts. Next week the district will be closed for spring break. During this break period, please take a breath, relax, repeatedly. Have some down time. Things are going to be fine. We are all engaged in a number of activities upon our return to school; so take a break next week, just decompress!

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Lanier High School Cadet LTC Tiffany Bryant led the pledge of allegiance. Cadet Bryant serves as the Battalion Commander for a Lanier's 1st Battalion and maintains a 3.6 GPA. Her future plans are to attend Duke University, major in psychology. Tiffany is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Tamekia Jones. Members of the JROTC of Lanier High School were recognized.

Note: Dr. Murray recognized 18 principals of MDE's At-Risk Schools.

Moment of Inspiration: Reverend Dr. John A. Wicks, Jr., a native of Jackson, Mississippi, and a graduate of Murrah High School, gave the inspirational message. Rev. Wicks, valedictorian of his college graduating class, serves as Pastor of Mount Nebo Baptist Church here in the City of Jackson. One of his favorite scriptures is 2 Corinthians 12:9 - "My Grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness."



Jackson Public Schools

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The Board of Trustees of Jackson Public Schools will hold their regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 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 telecast live on JPS Instructional Television on Comcast Channel 19 and available on the JPS ITV You Tube Channel at a later date.

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November 17, 2016, Dr. Fredrick Murray became Interim Superintendent of the Jackson Public School District, succeeding former Superintendent Dr. Cedrick Gray. The Honorable JoAnne N. Shepherd is District Counsel and the Honorable Dorian E. Turner is Board Attorney. Ms. Vikki D. Mumford is Secretary to the Board of Trustees and can be reached at: Vmumford@jackson.k12.ms.us, and by telephone at 601/973-8625.



Jackson Public Schools

FINAL AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATE: March 7, 2017

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 | Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President |
| b. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag | High School Division |
| c. Moment of Inspiration | |

II. Establishment of Quorum

III. Adoption of Agenda

IV. Reading and Approving Minutes

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| a. February 15, 2017, Special Meeting and February 21, 2017, Regular Meeting | Mrs. Vikki D. Mumford, Secretary to the Board of Trustees |
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V. Public Participation for General Comments and / or Proposed Policy Issues

VI. Review of Discipline Case(s)

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| a. Review of Appealed Discipline Case(s) | Dr. Bishop Knox, Executive Director Student Services |
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VII. Superintendent's Reports / Announcements

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| a. Remarks and Updates | Dr. Freddrick Murray, Interim Superintendent |
| b. Expressions from P-16 Representative | |

VIII. Information Items Only:

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| a. Review of Section C Policies: General School Administration | Hon. JoAnne N. Shepherd, District Counsel |
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IX. Information / Action Items:

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| a. Approval of Research, Evaluation and Assessment Job Description Change | Dr. Jason Sargent, Chief of Staff |
| b. Approval of MDE's At-Risk Action Plan on behalf of the Jackson Public School District | Dr. Sargent |

X. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Finance:

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| a. | Approval of Accounts Payable and Activity Fund Claims for Period of February 11, 2017, through February 24, 2017 | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, CFO |
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XI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - General:

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| a. | Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between One Hundred (100) Black Men of Jackson, Inc., and the Jackson Public School District | Dr. William M. Merritt, IV |
| b. | Approval of Consulting Services Agreement between Houghton Mifflin Harcourt and the Jackson Public School District | Dr. Merritt |
| c. | Approval of Contract between the Marriot of Jackson and the Jackson Public School District - Provine | Dr. Morris Stanton, CAO High School |
| d. | Approval of License Agreement between the Jackson Convention Complex and the Jackson Public School District - Forest Hill | Dr. Stanton |
| e. | Approval of Contract between the Old Capital Inn and the Jackson Public School District - Callaway | Dr. Stanton |
| f. | Approval of Revisions to Policy DOA - Fixed Assets Management System | Hon. J. Shepherd |

XII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Personnel:

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| a. | Approval of Staff Personnel Matters | Ms. Sandra Lyons, Executive Director of Human Resources |
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XIII. Other Business

XIV. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session

XV. Adjourn

II. Establishment of a Quorum: A quorum was established as four members were seated and Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell was participating via teleconference. Ms. Camille Simms and Mr. Kodi Hobbs were tardy.

III. Adoption of the Agenda: The Board voted to adopt the agenda as presented, on motion of Dr. Richard Lind and second of Mr. Jed Oppenheim. And for good cause shown, all six (6) participating members, Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Mr. Rickey Jones, Mr. Jed Oppenheim, Ms. Kimberly Campbell, Dr. Richard Lind and Mr. Kodi Hobbs, voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a vote of six (6) to 0. Ms. Camille Simms was absent from the vote, arriving at 5:57 P.M.

IV. Reading and Approving Minutes: The Board approved minutes of the February 15, 2017, Special Meeting (Work Session) and the February 21, 2017, Regular Meeting on motion of Dr. Richard Lind and second of Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell. And for good cause shown, the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

V. Public Participation for General Comments:

1. Ashley Rogers, a P-16 Representative/Recruiter, solicited members from all seven (7) wards in the City of Jackson. The P-16 organization is concerned about students from pre-k to 12th grade and beyond. The organization requests a two-year membership commitment from its members.

VII. Superintendent' Reports/Announcements - Dr. Freddrick Murray, Interim Superintendent Updates:

- First, Dr. Murray called on Dr. Jason Sargent, Chief of Staff, to give updates relative to the Corrective Action Plan. His gave highlights from documents hereto attached as follows: Exhibit 1, the Corrective Action Plan Checklist as of March 7, 2017; and Exhibit 2, the JPS Investigative Audit Progress Report.
 - Dr. Murray spoke about school consolidations involving Poindexter, Barr, George and Rowan. A meeting for community input will be held in the near future.
 - Dr. Murray recognized the presence of a large number of principals; eighteen (18) of which were from schools noted by MDE as "At-Risk Schools."
 - Dr. Murray congratulated high school teams that have made it to the State playoffs.
- End of Superintendent's Reports and Announcements

VIII. Information Items Only:

a. Review of Section C Policies - General School Administration: This policy concerns itself with the district's organizational chart which must be board approved. Section G of the Policy, describes how staff members can express their grievances; next, the school superintendent's policy states that each school district must have a superintendent.

- b. Policy CCA: Outlines duties of a superintendent; the superintendent is the CEO of a district and administers rules and regulations and policies to the board.
- c. Policy CC: Evaluation of the Superintendent in the language of the MSBA, the evaluation of a superintendent must be data driven and will determine how his/her contract is written.
- d. Policy CCD: Tracks language in the law that does not require a non-renewal hearing of the superintendent. The Separation of School Personnel: a certified employee's departure route differs from a classified employee's route of departure.
- e. Time schedule: the building principal is the instructional leader and is expected to be at the school when necessary. If there is no asst. principal, the principal must appoint someone to act in his/her absence.

These proposed policies were offered for information. Meanwhile they will be placed in public venues for review and public comment. At the end of the publication period, proposed policies will be returned for board approval.

IX. Information/Action Items

- a. Approval of Research, Evaluation and Assessment Job Description Change: Change include personnel matters: This position will require the employee to monitor information sent to MDE. The position will concern itself with teacher certification and student information. The JPS System will transmit/communicate information MDE's System. This item was approved on motion of Mr. Kodi Hobbs and second of Dr. Richard Lind. And for good cause shown, all seven members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.
- b. Approval of MDE's At-Risk Plan on behalf of JPS: This item was approved on motion of Mr. Kodi Hobbs and second of Mr. Jed Oppenheim. And for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

X. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

- a. Approval of Accounts Payable and Activity Fund Claims for Period of February 11, 2017, through February 24, 2017: This item was approved on motion of Dr. Richard Lind, and second of Mr. Kodi Hobbs. And for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

XI. Consent Agenda Items - General

- a. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between One Hundred (100) Black Men of Jackson, Inc., and the Jackson Public School District: Mr. Leroy Walker reported on the proposal from his organization to assist students. A copy of the proposal is hereto attached as Ex-3. This item was approved on motion of Mr. Kodi Hobbs, and second of Mr. Rickey Jones. And for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

b. Approval of Consulting Services Agreement between Houghton Mifflin Harcourt and the Jackson Public School District: This item was approved on motion of Dr. Richard Lind, and second of Mr. Jed Oppenheim. And for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

c. Approval of Contract between the Marriot of Jackson and the Jackson Public School District - Provine

d. Approval of License Agreement between the Jackson Convention Complex and the Jackson Public School District - Forest Hill

e. Approval of Contract between the Old Capital Inn and the Jackson Public School District - Callaway

Items c, d and e were approved on motion of Mr. Jed Oppenheim and second of Mr. Kodi Hobbs. And for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

f. Approval of Revisions to Policy DOA - Fixed Assets Management System: This item was approved on motion of Ms. Camille Simms, and second of Dr. Richard Lind. And for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

XII. Consent Agenda Item - Personnel:

a. Approval of Staff Personnel Matters: All personnel items were approved on motion of Mr. Jed Oppenheim, and second of Dr. Richard Lind. And for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of 7 to 0.

XIII. Other Business: None

XIV. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session: None

XV. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned on motion of Mr. Rickey Jones, second of Ms. Camille Simms, and for good cause shown, all seven (7) members voted "aye" in favor of the motion to adjourn. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 P.M.


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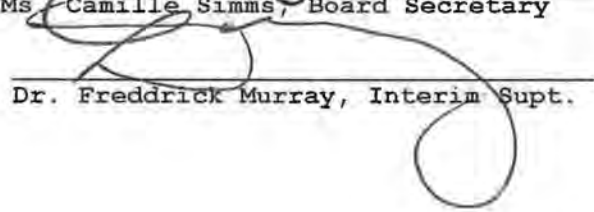
March 7, 2017, Regular Meeting

I, the undersigned, President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees; and I, Dr. Freddrick Murray, Interim Superintendent, of the Jackson Public School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees at its regular meeting held on March 7, 2017, as the same that appears on record in Minute Book of said Board.

GIVEN under my hand, this the 8th day of March, 2017.


Ms. Beneta D. Burt, Board President


Ms. Camille Simms, Board Secretary


Dr. Freddrick Murray, Interim Supt.

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