

THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL WORK SESSION  
FOR REVIEW OF MDE's AUDIT  
621 SOUTH STATE STREET  
JACKSON, MS 39201  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 08, 2017  
3:00 P.M.

Board Members Present

Ms. Camille S. Simms, Vice President  
Mr. Rickey D. Jones, Secretary  
Mr. Jed Oppenheim, Member  
Mrs. Letitia Johnson, Member

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Fredrick Murray, Interim Supt.  
Hon. JoAnne Shepherd, District Counsel  
Hon. Dorian Turner, Board Attorney  
Dr. Jason Sargent, Chief of Staff  
Mr. Sherwin Johnson, Comm. Dir.

Board Members Absent

None

Secretary to Board of Trustees

Ms. Rosalind Williams

- I. Call to Order: Ms. Camille Simms, Board Vice President called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. Ms. Simms greeted all who were in attendance and explained the reason for this special work session which is (1) to discuss technical correction to the superintendent's employment contract and (2) discuss continuation of strategy regarding MDE's audit.
- II. Discussion of Technical Corrections to the Superintendent's Employment Contract: Board members will consider discussion of this item in executive session.
- III. Continuation of Strategy Discussion Regarding MDE's Audit: Board members will consider discussion of this item in executive session.
- IV. Consideration to Hold an Executive Office: Rickey Jones moved, and Letitia Johnson seconded the motion to close the meeting to consider the need for an executive session. All four members voted in favor of the motion and the meeting was closed to consider whether and what items might need to be discussed in executive session.

Motion to Enter into Executive Session: After discussion, Rickey Jones moved, and Letitia Johnson seconded the motion, to enter into executive session to discuss the district's strategy in connection with the MDE audit, including (1) the district's presentation before the Accreditation Commission and the State Board of Education and negotiations with MDE, and (2) the superintendent's performance and contract.

In executive session, as a continuation of the reports and discussion during the September 5, 2017 meeting, board members heard from district administrators and discussed the district's strategy in connection with the MDE audit, including the district's presentation before the Accreditation Commission and the State Board of Education and negotiations with MDE.

Next, board members discussed the superintendent's performance and contract. Board members were presented with a draft Amended Temporary Employment Contract with Dr. Murray, which was revised to address a technical issue resulting from the district's reorganization. Upon discussion, Mrs. Johnson moved, and Mr. Oppenheim seconded the motion, to approve the Amended Temporary Employment Contract with Dr. Murray, as presented. Mrs. Simms, Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Oppenheim voted in favor. Mr. Jones voted against. The motion passed and the Amended Temporary Employment Contract was approved, and a copy is included in these board minutes.

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Mr. Oppenheim moved, and Mr. Jones moved seconded the motion, to exit executive session. All 4 members present voted in favor of the motion.

Upon entering open session, there being no further business, Mr. Jones moved, and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. All 4 members present voted in favor of the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

  
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Ms. Camille Simms, Vice President

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Mr. Rickey Jones, Board Secretary

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**Jackson Public Schools**  
Special Work Session of the Board of Trustees  
JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DATE: September 08, 2017  
TIME: 3:00 P. M.  
PLACE: 621 South State Street

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- I. Call to Order: Ms. Camille Simms, Board Vice President**
- II. Discussion of Technical Corrections to the Superintendent's Employment Contract**
- III. Continuation of Strategy Discussion Regarding MDE's Audit**
- IV. Adjournment**

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On August 4, 2017, Mrs. Letitia Simmons Johnson took the oath of office as a board member to replace Ms. Kimberly L. Campbell who resigned on May 30, 2017. Dr. Freddrick Murray is the Interim Superintendent of this District; the Hon. JoAnne Shepherd is the District Counsel and the Hon. Dorian Turner is the Board Attorney. Ms. Rosalind Williams is the Secretary to the Board of Trustees. Contact Information for the Board Secretary is: [roswilliams@jackson.k12.ms.us](mailto:roswilliams@jackson.k12.ms.us) and she can be reached at (601) 973-8625.