

Jackson Public School DISTRICT
621 SOUTH STATE STREET
JACKSON, MS 39201
REGULAR MEETING OF THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tuesday, February 20, 2018
5:30 P.M.

Board Members Present

Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, President
Dr. Ed Sivak, Jr. Vice President
Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Secretary
Mrs. Andrea Jones, Member
Mrs. Letitia S. Johnson, Member
Dr. Robert Luckett, Member

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

Others Present

Members of the Public

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Fredrick Murray, Interim Supt
Hon. Dorian Turner, Board Attorney
Hon. JoAnne Shepherd, Dist. Counsel
Mr. Sherwin Johnson, Communications
Ms. Sharolyn Miller, CFO
Ms. Sandra Lyons, Ex. Director HR
Dr. Calvin Lockett, Deputy Supt
Dr. Jason Sargent, Accountability Dept.
Dr. Otha Belcher, Asst. Supt Area I
Ms. Laketia Thomas, Asst. Supt Area II
Mr. Gary Hannah, Asst. Supt Area III
Dr. Michelle King, Asst. Supt Area IV

- 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 5:35 P. M. by Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Board President, on February 20, 2018. She extended greetings to all and called for the Area I Division, who would lead the pledge and the speaker who would give a moment of inspiration.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established as all six (6) members were present, namely: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Dr. Robert Luckett moved that the Board adopt the agenda as presented; Mrs. Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- IV. Reading and Approving Minutes:
- a. Approval of the February 6, 2018 Regular Board Meeting: The Board voted to approve item a with an amendment that the board receives an annual update on the partnership. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned; Mrs. Letitia Johnson second; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- V. Public Participation for General Comments:
- a. Tempestt Gilmore addressed the board on lack of pay and schedule of deductions due to extended school day regarding hourly staff.
- b. Tracee Thompson addressed the board on the restructure of the curriculum department.
- c. Shaletha Wilson-Fisher addressed the board on the restructure of the curriculum department.
- VI. Review of Discipline Case(s): None
- VII. Superintendent's Reports/Announcements:
- a. Mr. Brian Johnson ~ Fisher Brown Bottrell Insurance Presented the Rising Star Safety Award to Mr. Derick Williams and the Transportation Department.
- b. Mrs. Malaika Quarterman ~ 2017-2018 JPS Teacher of the Year



Jackson Public Schools

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February 20, 2018, 5:30 p.m.
Board Room, 621 South State Street**

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

The Jackson Public Schools' Board of Trustees will host a regular meeting on **Tuesday, February 20, 2018, at 5:30 p.m.** in the Board room located at 621 South State Street. The Board may also take up any other matters 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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Jackson Public Schools

FINAL AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATE: February 20, 2018

TIME: 5:30 PM

PLACE: 621 South State Street Jackson, MS 39201

I. Call to Order

- a. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

**Dr. Otha Belcher, Assistant
Superintendent Area 1**

- b. Moment of Inspiration

II. Establishment of Quorum

III. Adoption of Agenda

IV. Reading and Approving Minutes

- a. February 6, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

**Ms. Rosalind Williams, Secretary to
the Board of Trustees**

V. Public Participation for General Comments and / or Proposed Policy Issues

VI. Review of Discipline Case(s)

- a. February 20, 2018 Board Meeting (Discipline
Cases)

**Dr. Bishop E. Knox, Executive
Director of Student Services**

VII. Superintendent's Reports / Announcements

- a. Implementation and Evaluation of Tools for Life to
Improve School Climate and Safety in Jackson
Public School District

**Mrs. Elizabeth Thornton, RAND
Corporation**

VIII. Information Items Only:

- a. Review and/or Revisions of Sections A and B
Policies

**Hon. JoAnne N. Shepherd, District
Counsel**

IX. Information / Action Items:

- a. Approval of Monthly Financial Report

**Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial
Officer**

- b. Approval of Revisions and Edits to the Corrective
Action Plan

**Dr. William Merritt, Executive Director
of School Improvement**

X. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Finance:

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| a. | Approval of Disbursements and Accounts Payable and Activity Fund Claims for the period of January 27, 2018 through February 9, 2018. | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |
| b. | Recommendation to dispose of surplus property | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |
| c. | Approval to Reject All Bidders for RFP 2017-17 Digital Full Color Production Printing System | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |

XI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Personnel:

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| a. | Approval to Award RFP#2017-12 Lead Partner for Teacher Support to Schoolhouse 21 | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |
| b. | Approval of Staff Personnel Matters | Ms. Sandra Lyons, Executive Director of Human Resources |

XII. Other Business

XIII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session

XIV. Adjourn

- c. Dr. Kathleen Grigsby ~ 2017-2018 JPS Administrator of the Year
- d. Implementation and Evaluation of Tools for Life to Improve School Climate and Safety in Jackson Public School District by Mrs. Elizabeth Thornton, RAND Corporation
- e. JPS Extended Day Snack Donations update

VIII. Information Items Only:

- a. Review and/or Revisions of Sections A and B Policies ~ Hon. JoAnne N. Shepherd District Counsel: Dr. Hairston, Board President, created a sub-committee of the board that includes three (3) members namely: Dr. Robert Luckett, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Mrs. Andrea Jones. The Policy Committee Members will review all policies forthcoming.

IX. Information/Action Items:

- a. Approval of Monthly Financial Report: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Mrs. Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. Mrs. Barbara Hilliard was absent from the vote. (NOTE: Mrs. Barbara Hilliard left the room at 7:40 p.m. and returned at 7:49 p.m.) **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Revisions and Edits to the Corrective Action Plan: The Board voted to approve item b. Dr. Ed Sivak motioned, Dr. Robert Luckett second; Votes cast for the motion: none; Votes cast against the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett. **FAILED.**

The Board determined to table item b and to notice a public meeting on this item for February 22, 2018.

X. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

- a. Approval of Disbursements and Accounts Payable and Activity Fund claims for the period of January 27, 2018 through February 9, 2018: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Mrs. Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Recommendation to dispose of surplus property: The Board voted to approve item b. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Mrs. Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval to Reject All Bidders for RFP 2017-17 Digital Full Color Production Printing System: The Board voted to approve item c. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Mrs. Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XI. Consent Agenda Items - Personnel:

- a. Approval to Award RFP #2017-12 Lead Partner for Teacher Support to Schoolhouse 21: Dr. Robert Luckett moved to approve item a to include resumes, monthly updates, guarantee of success and to select an initial cohort of 20 to go through the process and evaluate whether or not we would want to continue based on the success of that cohort; Mrs. Barbara Hilliard second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Mrs. Andrea Jones and Mrs. Letitia Johnson. **FAILED**

The Board voted to table the approval item a contingent upon receipt of resumes and the historical data of the company. Mrs. Andrea Jones motioned; Mrs. Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: Mrs. Barbara Hilliard.

PASSED

- b. Approval of Staff Personnel Matters: The Board voted to approve Staff Personnel Matters as presented. Mrs. Barbara Hilliard motioned, Dr. Jeanne Hairston second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Mrs. Andrea Jones, Mrs. Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XII. Other Business:


- a. Vendor Proposal
b. Better Together Commission update

- XIII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session: Dr. Ed Sivak, Jr. moved, and Mrs. Letitia Johnson seconded the motion to close the meeting to consider the need for an executive session. All six (6) 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. In closed session, after discussion, Mrs. Andrea Jones moved, and Mrs. Letitia Johnson seconded the motion, to enter into executive session to discuss Dr. Murray's performance as superintendent and leadership of the district. All 6 board members voted in favor of the motion.

In executive session, board members discussed Dr. Murray's performance as superintendent and leadership of the district. They took no action.

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard moved, and Mrs. Letitia Johnson seconded the motion, to exit executive session. All 6 board members voted in favor of the motion.

Back in open session, the meeting was adjourned by consensus.



Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Board President

3/21/18

Date



Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Board Secretary

3/21/18

Date