

Jackson Public School DISTRICT
621 SOUTH STATE STREET
JACKSON, MS 39201
REGULAR MEETING OF THE JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Wednesday, May 1, 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 5:34 P. M. by Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Board President, on May 1, 2018. She extended greetings to all and called for the Area III 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: Mrs. Barbara Hilliard 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 April 18, 2018 Regular Board Meeting: Dr. Robert Luckett moved that the Board approve the minutes as presented. Mrs. Andrea Jones 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. Approval of the April 23, 2018 Special Board Meeting: Dr. Robert Luckett moved that the Board approve the minutes as presented. Mrs. Andrea Jones 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: None
- VI. Review of Discipline Case(s): None
- VII. Superintendent's Reports/Announcements:
 - a. CAP Update
- VIII. Information Items Only:
 - a. Priority and Focus School Update



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The Jackson Public Schools' Board of Trustees will hold its regular meeting on **Tuesday, May 1, 2018**, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the School Board Meeting 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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FINAL AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATE: May 1, 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
- b. Moment of Inspiration

**Ms. Laketia Marshall-Thomas,
Assistant Superintendent Area II**

II. Establishment of Quorum

III. Adoption of Agenda

IV. Reading and Approving Minutes

- a. April 18, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. April 23, 2018 Special Board Meeting Minutes

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

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

VI. Superintendent's Reports / Announcements

- a. CAP Update

VII. Information Items Only:

- a. Priority and Focus School Update
- b. Administration Location Change for SY1819
- c. Revised Start and End Time Change for the 2018-2019 School Year for Secondary Schools grades 6-12

**Ms. Sandra Lyons, Executive
Director of Human Resources**

**Dr. Jason Sargent, Executive Director
of Research, Evaluation and
Assessment**

VIII. Information / Action Items:

IX. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Finance:

- a. Approval of Resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2018-19

**Stephan George, Executive Director,
Information Technology Services (ITS)**

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| b. | Approval of Accounts Payable and Activity Fund claims for the period of April 7, 2018 through April 20, 2018. | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |
| c. | Request to Approve the Rental Adjustment Agreement between JPS and Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc. | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |
| d. | Approval of Bond Counsel for the 2018 General Obligation Bond Issue | Ms. Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |

X. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - General:

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| a. | Memorandum of Understanding between Strategic Education Research Partnership Institute ("SERP") and Jackson Public Schools | Dr. William Merritt, Executive Director of State and Federal |
| b. | Approval of Policy IGAB Grade Adjustment and Minimum Grade | Hon. JoAnne Nelson Shepherd, District Counsel |

XI. 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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XII. Other Business

XIII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session

XIV. Adjourn

b. Administration Location Change for SY1819

c. Revised Start and End Time Change for the 2018-2019 School Year for Secondary grades 6-12

IX. Information/Action Items:

X. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

a. Approval of Resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2018-19: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Robert Luckett moved, 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. Approval of Accounts Payable and Activity Fund claims for the period of April 7, 2018 through April 20, 2018: The Board voted to approve item b. Mrs. Barbara Hilliard moved, Dr. Ed Sivak 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. Request to Approve the Rental Adjustment Agreement between JPS and Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc.: The Board voted to approve item c. Mrs. Barbara Hilliard moved, Dr. Ed Sivak 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**

d. Approval of Bond Counsel for the 2018 General Obligation Bond Issue: The Board voted to approve item d. Mrs. Barbara Hilliard moved, 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 - General:

a. Memorandum of Understanding between Strategic Education Research Partnership Institute (SERP) and Jackson Public Schools: The Board voted to approve item a. Mrs. Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Robert Luckett 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. Approval of Policy IGAB Grade Adjustment and Minimum Grade: Dr. Robert Luckett moved that the Board approve item b with the condition that the policy committee review changes for upcoming school year. Mrs. Barbara Hilliard 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. Consent Agenda Items - Personnel:

a. Approval of Staff Personnel Matters: Dr. Robert Luckett moved that the Board approve all Staff Personnel Matters as presented, Mrs. Barbara Hilliard seconded; 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**

XIII. Other Business: none

XIV. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session: Dr. Luckett moved, and Mrs. Letitia Johnson seconded the motion, to close the meeting to consider entering into executive session. All six board members voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was closed to consider whether and for what reason(s) board members would enter into executive session.

Dr. Sivak moved, and Dr. Luckett seconded the motion, to enter into executive session to hear from Corey Stringfellow regarding his eligibility for employment with the district. All six board members voted in favor of the motion.

In executive session, Mr. Stringfellow appeared before the board to present, pursuant to Miss. Code Section 37-9-17(3), information and character references as mitigating circumstances arguing for his eligibility for employment in the district. After extensive questioning of Mr. Stringfellow and discussion, Dr. Luckett moved and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion that due to his age at the time of the occurrence, length of time since the occurrence, current employment and character references provided, advanced degrees recently obtained, and his work in the community, Mr. Stringfellow posed no threat to the health or safety of students and is eligible to work in the district. Further, upon the recommendation of Dr. Murray, superintendent of schools, Mr. Stringfellow is approved for employment as a network analyst, at \$17.50/hour, with such employment effective May 2, 2018. The motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Dr. Luckett moved, and Letitia Johnson seconded the motion, to exit executive session. All six board members voted in favor of the motion.

Upon returning to open session, Dr. Sivak moved, and Dr. Luckett seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. All six board members voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.



Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Board President



Date



Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Secretary



Date