

Jackson Public School District
621 South State Street
JACKSON, MS 39201
Regular Meeting of the Jackson Public School Board of Trustees
Tuesday, August 21, 2018
5:30 P.M.

Board Members Present

Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, President
Dr. Ed Sivak, Vice-President
Barbara Hilliard
Letitia Johnson
Dr. Robert Luckett

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

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

Teleconference

Andrea Jones

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

Others Present

Members of the Public

- I. Call to Order, Pledge to the Flag and Moment of Inspiration: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Board President, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District to order at 5:33 p.m. on August 21, 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, five (5) members were present namely: Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett. Andrea Jones participated via teleconference.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Dr. Robert Luckett moved that the Board adopt the agenda as presented; Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- IV. Reading and Approving Minutes:
 - a. August 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve the minutes as presented. Letitia Johnson motioned; Barbara Hilliard second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
 - b. August 15, 2018 Special Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve the minutes as presented. Letitia Johnson motioned; Barbara Hilliard second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- V. Public Participation for General Comments/or Proposed Policy Issues:
 - a. The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi (Barack H. Obama Magnet Elementary School): Kelly Loveless updated the Board on the Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi within the Obama Magnet Elementary School.



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FINAL AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees JACKSON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATE: August 21, 2018

TIME: 5:30 PM

PLACE: 621 South State Street Jackson, MS 39201

I. Call to Order

a. Call to Order

Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Board President

b. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Gary Hannah, Assistant Superintendent Area III

c. Moment of Inspiration

II. Establishment of Quorum

III. Adoption of Agenda

IV. Reading and Approving Minutes

a. August 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Rosalind Williams, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

b. August 15, 2018 Special Board Meeting Minutes

Rosalind Williams, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

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

a. The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi (Barack H. Obama Magnet Elementary School)

Kelly Loveless, Barack H. Obama Magnet Elementary School Counselor

VI. Review of Discipline Case(s)

VII. Superintendent's Reports / Announcements

a. CAP Update

Dr. William Merritt, IV, Executive Director of State and Federal

VIII. Information Items Only:

a. The Review of the Open Doors - Gifted Education Program's Annual Report and Survey Results for the 2017-2018 School Year

Dr. Vicki Davidson, Executive Director of Advanced Learning Programs and Services

IX. Information / Action Items:

X. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Finance:

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| a. Approval of Disbursements and Accounts Payable and Activity Fund Claims for the period of July 28, 2018 through August 10, 2018. | Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |
| b. Recommendation to dispose of surplus property | Sharolyn Miller, Chief Financial Officer |

XI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - General:

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| a. District-to-District Transfer (Incoming) | Dr. Jason Sargent, Executive Director of Research, Evaluation and Assessment |
| b. District-to-District Transfer (Outgoing) | Dr. Jason Sargent, Executive Director of Research, Evaluation and Assessment |
| c. Approval of Policy AFA/EBAA Emergency Closing of Schools | JoAnne N. Shepherd, Esq. |
| d. Approval of Policy CCC Evaluation of Superintendent | JoAnne N. Shepherd, Esq. |
| e. Approval of Agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi (Jackson Police Department) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Chief Gerald Jones, Executive Director Office of Campus Enforcement |
| f. Approval of the Jackson Public School District School Emergency Management Plan | Chief Gerald Jones, Executive Director Office of Campus Enforcement |
| g. Approval of Partnership Agreement between Crossgates Baptist Church (Arise2Read) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Thea Faulkner, Director of Partners in Education |
| h. Approval of Agreement between Herman Sanders and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Stephanie Harris, Director of Transportation |
| i. Approval of the Jackson Public School District English Learning (EL) Plan | Dr. William M. Merritt, IV, Executive Director of State and Federal |
| j. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Everyone Graduates Center, Johns Hopkins University School of Education and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Dr. William M. Merritt, IV, Executive Director of State and Federal |

XII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Personnel:

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

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| a. Approval of Superintendent Appointment Resolution | Dorian E. Turner, Esq. |
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XIV. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session

XV. Adjourn



Jackson Public Schools

For Release: August 20, 2018

Subject: JPS Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

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

The Board of Trustees of Jackson Public Schools will hold a regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, August 21, 2018**, in the School Board Meeting Room at 621 South State Street. The agenda will be available prior to the meeting. The Board will also take into consideration any other matter properly coming before the Board.

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VI. Review of Discipline Case (s): none.

VII. Superintendent's Reports/Announcement:

- a. CAP Update
- b. Comprehensive needs assessment overview

VIII. Information Items Only:

- a. The Review of the Open Doors - Gifted Education Program's Annual Report and Survey Results for the 2017-2018 School Year: Dr. Davidson reviewed with the Board the survey results for the 2017-2018 school year.

IX. Information/Action Items: none.

X. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

- a. Approval of Accounts Payable claims for the period of July 28, 2018 through August 10, 2018: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Barbara Hilliard second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, 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, Barbara Hilliard second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XI. Consent Agenda Items - General:

- a. District-to-District Transfer (Incoming): The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. District-to-District Transfer (Outgoing): The Board voted to approve item b. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Policy AFA/EBAA Emergency Closing of Schools: The Board voted to approve item c. Dr. Ed Sivak motioned, Dr. Robert Luckett second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- d. Approval of Policy CCC Evaluation of Superintendent: The Board voted to approve item d. Dr. Ed Sivak motioned, Dr. Robert Luckett second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- e. Approval of Agreement between the City of Jackson, Mississippi (Jackson Police Department) and the Jackson Public School District: The Board voted to approve item e. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- f. Approval of the Jackson Public School District Emergency Management Plan: The Board voted to approve item f. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Letitia

Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- g. Approval of Partnership Agreement between Crossgates Baptist Church (Arise2Read) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item g. Dr. Ed Sivak motioned, Dr. Robert Luckett second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- h. Approval of Agreement between Herman Sanders and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item h. Dr. Ed Sivak motioned, Dr. Robert Luckett second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- i. Approval of the Jackson Public School District English Learning (EL) Plan: The Board voted to approve item i. Dr. Robert Luckett motioned, Letitia Johnson second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- j. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Everyone Graduates Center, Johns Hopkins University School of Education and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item j. Dr. Ed Sivak motioned, Dr. Robert Luckett second; Votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; Votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- k. Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) and the Community Foundation for Mississippi (CFM): This item was pulled from the agenda pending additional information.

XII. Consent Agenda Items - Personnel:

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

XIII. Other Business:

- a. Approval of Superintendent Appointment Resolution: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Jeanne Hairston motioned, Dr. Robert Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Jeanne Hairston, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Andrea Jones, Letitia Johnson and Dr. Robert Luckett; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

The Board voted to recessed to answer questions from the media regarding the announcement of the superintendent appointment resolution. Dr. Ed Sivak motioned; Dr. Robert Luckett second. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting reconvened at 7:04 p.m.

- XIV. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session:** Dr. Sivak moved, and Dr. Luckett seconded the motion, to close the meeting to consider entering into executive session. All 6 board members voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Luckett then moved, and Letitia Johnson seconded the motion, to enter into executive session to discuss a proposed settlement of 2 handcuffing cases. All 6 board members voted in favor of the motion.

In executive session, district counsel, JoAnne Shepherd, updated board members on the status of two of the handcuffing cases, Ruby Sims v. JPS, and Andrea Lowe v. JPS. She recommended that the board approve a settlement of the Ruby Sims case in the amount of \$15,000.00, and the Andrea Lowe case in the amount of \$8,500.00. Board members discussed the proposed settlements, and thereafter, Barbara Hilliard moved, and Letitia Johnson seconded the motion, to approve the settlements. All 6 board members voted in favor of the motion.

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

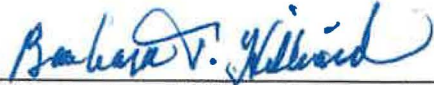
Upon returning to open session, Dr. Sivak moved, and Dr. Luckett seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. All 6 board members voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.



Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Board President



Date



Mrs. Barbara Hilliard, Board Secretary



Date