

Regular Meeting of the Jackson Public School District
Board of Trustees
621 South State Street
Jackson, MS 39201
Tuesday, June 7, 2022
5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Dr. Ed Sivak, President
Barbara Hilliard, Vice-President
Dr. Robert Luckett, Secretary
Cynthia Thompson, Member
Frank Figgers, Member

Board Members Present via Teleconference

Letitia S. Johnson, Member
Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Member

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Errick L. Greene, Superintendent
Dr. Michael Cormack, Deputy Supt.
Hon. Dorian Turner, Board Attorney
Larissa Moore, Esq., DGC
William Merritt, Chief of Staff
Margaret Purnell, Interim CFO
Joe Albright, COO
Dionne Woody, Elem. Asst. Supt.
Kathleen Grigsby, Elem Asst. Supt.
Laketia Thomas, HS Asst. Supt.
Dr. Marvin Grayer, MS Asst. Supt.
Sherwin Johnson, Public Engagement

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

- I. Call to Order: Dr. Ed Sivak, Board President, called the Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District to order on June 7, 2022, at 5:32 P. M.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established as six (6) members, namely, President Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Robert Luckett, Letitia Johnson, Cynthia Thompson and Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, were either present in person or participated via teleconference.
Frank Figgers joined the meeting at 5:35 p.m.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Dr. Luckett moved that the Board adopt the agenda as presented; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Dr. Luckett, Barbara Hilliard, Letitia Johnson, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. Absent: Frank Figgers. **PASSED**
- IV. Reading and Approving Minutes
 - a. May 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve the minutes as presented; Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Dr. Luckett, Barbara Hilliard, Letitia Johnson, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. Absent: Frank Figgers.
PASSED
 - b. May 27, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve the minutes as presented; Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Dr. Luckett, Barbara Hilliard, Letitia Johnson, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. Absent: Frank Figgers.
PASSED
- V. Superintendent's Report
- VI. Public Participation for General Comments and/or Proposed Policy Issues:
 - a. Anik Kurkjian addressed the Board regarding the Bean Path summer camp.
 - b. Warcester Jones requested to address the Board for discipline case appeal.
- VII. Review of Discipline case(s)
 - a. Review of Discipline case(s): the discussion of this item was moved to executive session.
- VIII. Information Items Only:
 - a. Bond Update
 - b. Review of School Improvement Benchmark Results for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) Identified Schools
 - c. Review of the Renewal Agreement between Blackboard and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD)
 - d. Review of Approval to Award RFP 2021-18 to Glimpse K12, for a Software Solution for Program Evaluation
 - e. Approval of Agreement between Parents for Public Schools-Jackson and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for the Ask for More Arts Program
 - f. Approval of the Agreement between the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra (MSO) and

Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for the Strings in the Schools Program

IX. Information/Action Items:

- a. Approval of Rental Agreement between the Jackson Convention Center and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for the Leadership Institute: The Board voted to approve item a; Barbara Hilliard moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, and Letitia Johnson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Mississippi Employer Assisted Housing Teacher Program Loan Agreement: The Board voted to approve item b; Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, and Letitia Johnson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Updated Data Sharing Agreement between BrightBytes, Inc. and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item c; Dr. Luckett moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, and Letitia Johnson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- d. Approval to Burroughs Bus Company Transportation Bus Fleet: The Board voted to approve item d; Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, and Letitia Johnson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- e. Approval of Agreement between the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item e; Dr. Luckett moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, and Letitia Johnson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

X. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

- a. Approval of the Accounts Payable Claims Docket and the Ratification of the Travel and Activity Funds Claims for the Period of May 7, 2022 through May 20, 2022: The Board voted to approve item a. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, Letitia Johnson, Frank Figgers, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval for Contract Adjustment Change Order #1 (Credit \$1,573.00): The Board voted to approve item b. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, Letitia Johnson, Frank Figgers, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XI. Consent Agenda Items - General:

- a. Approval of Agreement between the Jackson Convention Complex (JROTC Gala) and Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item a. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, Letitia Johnson, Frank Figgers, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Agreement between Union University and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item b. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, Letitia Johnson, Frank Figgers, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Agreement between Jackson State University (JSU) Division of Library and Informational Resources and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item c. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, Letitia Johnson, Frank Figgers, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- d. Approval of District to District Transfer (Incoming/Outgoing): The Board voted to approve item d. Barbara Hilliard motioned; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Luckett, Dr. Hairston, Letitia Johnson, Frank Figgers, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XII. Consent Agenda Items - Personnel:

- a. Approval of Staff Personnel Matters: The Board voted to approve Staff Personnel as presented. Dr. Lockett motioned; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Lockett, Dr. Hairston, Letitia Johnson, Frank Figgers, and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**


XIII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session: Dr. Lockett moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion, to close the meeting to consider entering into executive session. The motion was unanimously approved.

After discussion Dr. Lockett moved, and Cynthia Thompson seconded the motion, to enter into executive session to take action on a student discipline matter. The motion was unanimously approved.

In executive session, the board took up the recommendation to suspend for 45 days, with placement at CCAS, Student No. 001248022 for fighting and bullying/harassment. Student No. 001248022 and his mother appeared before the board to speak on his behalf. After discussion, Dr. Lockett moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion, to uphold the recommendation based on the fact that Student No. 001248022 went out of his way to find the other student that he fought and was the aggressor/harasser in the fight. The board determined that the number of days recommended by district administration was reasonable under the circumstances. The motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business to discuss in executive session, Frank Figgers moved, and Barbara Hilliard seconded the motion, to exit executive session. The motion was unanimously approved.

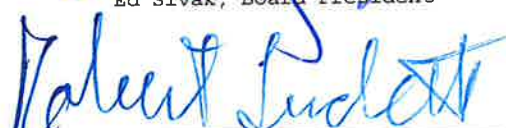
Back in open session, Frank Figgers moved, and Cynthia Thompson seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned.



Ed Sivak, Board President

6/21/2022

Date



Robert Lockett, Board Secretary

6/21/2022

Date