

Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District  
Board of Trustees  
621 South State Street, Jackson, MS 39201  
Tuesday, July 19, 2022  
5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Dr. Ed Sivak, President  
Barbara Hilliard, Vice-President  
Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Member  
Frank Figgers, Member  
Cynthia Thompson, Member

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Errick L. Greene, Superintendent  
Dr. Michael Cormack, Deputy Supt.  
Larissa C. Moore, Esq., DGC  
William Merritt, IV, Chief of Staff  
Dorian Turner, Board Attorney  
Earl Burke, Chief Operations Officer

Board Members via teleconference

Dr. Robert Luckett, Member

Board Members Absent

Letitia S. Johnson, Member

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

- I. Call to Order: Dr. Ed Sivak, Board President, called the Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District to order on July 19, 2022, at 5:35 P. M.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established as six (6) members, namely, President Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Jeanne M. Hairston, Robert Luckett, Cynthia Thompson, and Frank Figgers, participated via video/teleconference or in person. Letitia Johnson was absent from the meeting.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Cynthia Thompson moved that the Board adopt the agenda as presented; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- IV. Reading and Approving Minutes
  - a. June 23, 2022, Special Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item a. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
  - b. July 14, 2022, Special Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item b. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- V. Superintendent's Report
- VI. Public Participation for General Comments and/or Proposed Policy Issues
- VII. Information Only:
  - a. Board Member Reports
- VIII. Information/Action Items:
  - a. Approval of Agreement between the Mississippi Department of Employment Security (MDES), AcceleratedMS, and the Jackson Public School District

(JPSD): The Board voted to approve item a. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- b. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Alcorn State University (ASU) and the Jackson Public School District: The Board voted to approve item b. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- c. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Mississippi College (MC) and the Jackson Public School District: The Board voted to approve item c. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- d. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between EduStars, LLC and the Jackson Public School District: The Board voted to approve item d. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- e. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Millcreek Schools-Magee, LLC and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item e. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- f. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitative Services (MDRS) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item f. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- g. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Crossroads Day Treatment and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item g. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- h. Approval of Agreement between Northtown Pharmacy and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item h. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- i. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between the Institute of Southern Jewish Life (ISJL) and the Jackson Public School District: The Board voted to approve item i. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- j. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between AmeriCorps and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item j. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion:

President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- k. Approval of Job Description for High School Dean of Students: The Board voted to approve item k. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- l. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Jobs for Mississippi Graduates (JMG) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item l. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- m. Approval of the Renewal Agreement for Educational Services with the Hinds County Board of Supervisors for the Henley-Young Juvenile Justice Center and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item m. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- n. Approval of the 16<sup>th</sup> Section Lease Agreement between Evelyn Fletcher and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) The Board voted to approve item n. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- o. Approval of Educational Data Services Agreement with the Central Access Corporation (SAMS) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item o. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- p. Approval of Fund Accounting System Data Security Agreement with the Central Access Corporation (Marathon) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item p. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- q. Approval of Agreement of Software Monitoring between Global Payments Inc., DBA Heartland School Solutions, and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item q. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- r. Approval of Agreement between Wilson Language3 Training (WLT) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item r. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- s. Approval of the Rental Agreement between the Convention Complex Center and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item

s. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none.

**PASSED**

t. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Great Minds and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item t. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

u. Approval of Engagement between the Law Office of Anne T. Nguyen, PLLC, and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item

u. Cynthia Thompson moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none.

**PASSED**

**IX. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:**

a. Approval of Donations from Various Donors: The Board voted to approve item a. Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none.

**PASSED**

b. Approval for Final Contract Adjustment CO #2 Hardy Middle School Window and Door Replacement Project: The Board voted to approve item b. Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

c. Approval of the Accounts Payable Claims Docket for the Period of June 11, 2022, through July 15, 2022: The Board voted to approve item c. Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

d. Approval to Terminate Option and Lease Agreement between Cellular South Real Estate, Inc., and the Jackson Public School District: The Board voted to approve item d. Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

e. Approval to Authorize the Chief Operations Officer as the Designated Purchasing Agent for the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item e. Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

**X. Consent Agenda Items - General:**

a. Approval of District to District Transfer (Incoming/Outgoing): The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Hairston moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: President Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

**XI. Consent Agenda Items - Personnel:**

a. The Board voted to approve Staff Personnel as presented. Dr. Hairston moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: President

Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Lockett, Cynthia Thompson and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- XII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session: Cynthia Thompson moved, and Dr. Hairston seconded the motion, to close the meeting to consider entering into executive session. The motion was unanimously approved by all 6 members present.

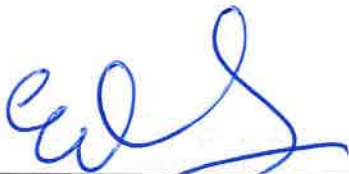
After discussion Dr. Hairston moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion, to enter into executive session to consider granting the superintendent and general counsel certain settlement authority in connection with three pending lawsuits, and to consider approval of the filing of a quantum meruit proceeding seeking court authorization to pay three district employees who worked at Henley Young during the summer enrichment program. The motion was unanimously approved.

In executive session, the board first received a report from district administration asking for approval to file a quantum meruit proceeding seeking court authorization to pay for services rendered by three district teachers, Mikel Houston, Jeffery Holiday and Miriam Gray, who worked at Henley Young during the summer enrichment program. After discussion, Frank Figgers moved, and Cynthia Thompson seconded the motion, to approve the filing of a quantum meruit proceeding seeking court authorization to pay the above-listed employees for services rendered at Henley Young during the summer enrichment program. The motion was unanimously approved.

Next, General Counsel, Larrissa Moore, updated the board on the status of three pending lawsuits filed by or on behalf of Raven Tabb, Jaborri McGhee and Kaliayah Shelby-Clayborne. Attorney Moore and Superintendent Greene are seeking certain settlement authority for each lawsuit. After discussion, Dr. Hairston moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion, to grant Attorney Moore and Dr. Greene the requested settlement authority in each proceeding. That motion was unanimously approved.

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

Back in open session, there being no further business, Dr. Hairston moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned.



Ed Sivak, Board President

August 17, 2022  
Date



Robert Luckett, Board Secretary

August 17, 2022  
Date