

Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District  
Board of Trustees  
621 South State Street, Jackson, MS 39201  
Tuesday, December 6, 2022  
5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Dr. Ed Sivak, President  
Dr. Robert Luckett, Board Member  
Frank Figgers, Member

Board Members via Teleconference

Barbara Hilliard, Vice-President  
Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Member  
Cynthia Thompson, Member

Board Members Absent

Letitia S. Johnson, Member

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Errick L. Greene, Superintendent  
Dorian Turner, Board Attorney  
Dr. Michael Cormack, Deputy Supt.  
Earl Burke, Chief Operations Officer  
William M. Merritt, IV., Chief of Staff  
Elem., Middle & High School Asst. Supt.  
Larrissa Moore, ESQ., General Counsel

- I. Call to Order: Dr. Ed Sivak, Board President, called the Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District to order on December 06, 2022, at 5:33 P. M.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established six (6) members, namely, Dr. Ed Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Dr. Robert Luckett and Cynthia Thompson participated via video/teleconference or in person. Letitia Johnson was absent from the meeting.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Dr. Luckett moved that the Board adopt the agenda as presented; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Dr. Luckett; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- IV. Reading and Approving of the Minutes:
  - a. November 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item a. Frank Figgers moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Dr. Luckett; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED.**
- V. Superintendent's Report:
- VI. Public Participation for General Comments and/or Proposed Policy Issues:  
none.
- VII. Information Only Items:
  - a. Introduction of Student Board Representatives
  - b. Review of Agreement between Mississippi Families for Kids and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD)
  - c. Review of the District Test Security Plan
  - d. Bond Update
- VIII. Information/Action Item(s):
  - a. Approval of the Renewal of the Student Blanket Policy: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Luckett moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for

- the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Agreement between LearnSafe and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item b. Frank Figgers moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Agreement between the Childhood Hunger Initiative Power Pack (CHIPP) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item c. Dr. Luckett moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- d. Approval of Agreement between the Hinds Community College (HCC) for the Trio Program and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item d. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- e. Approval of Agreement between the Tougaloo College (TC) Trio Program and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item e. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- f. Approval of the Amended Contracts for Bailey Education Group and The Kirkland Group: The Board voted to approve item f. Barbara Hilliard moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- g. Approval of Agreement between Lobaki 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: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

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

- a. Approval of Donations: The Board voted to approve item a. Frank Figgers moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Various Budgets for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023: The Board voted to approve item b. Frank Figgers moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Various Disbursements from Accounts Payable and Activity Funds: The Board voted to approve item c. Frank Figgers moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

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

- a. Approval of Various Policies for Creation/Amendment: Dr. Luckett moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Dr. Hairston, Dr. Luckett and Cynthia Thompson; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

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

- a. Approval of Staff Personnel Matter: The Board voted to approve Staff Personnel as presented. Frank Figgers moved; Dr. Luckett seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Cynthia Thompson, Frank

Figgers, Dr. Lockett, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- XII. Consideration to Hold 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 (1) discuss legal issues and potential litigation in connection with Lake Hico, (2) to consider approval of a quantum meruit proceeding for the benefit of employee, Eric Durden, and (3) to discuss the superintendent's evaluation and performance. The motion was unanimously approved.

In executive session, the Board first received a status report from Superintendent Greene and outside counsel, Dan Flynn with DLG, regarding legal issues and potential litigation in connection with Lake Hico. The board took no action on this matter.

Next General Counsel, Larissa Moore, requested board approval to institute a quantum meruit proceeding for the benefit of employee, Eric Durden, seeking approval to pay him for time worked but not previously approved by the board. Upon motion by Dr. Lockett, which was seconded by Frank Figgers, the board approved the institution of a quantum meruit proceeding for the benefit of employee, Eric Durden, seeking approval to pay him for time worked but not previously approved by the board.

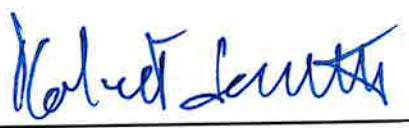
Finally, the board discussed with Dr. Greene his evaluation. After discussion, Cynthia Thompson moved, and Dr. Hairston seconded the motion, to approve the superintendent's composite evaluation.

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

- XIII. Adjourn: Back in open session, there being no further business, Dr. Lockett moved, and Barbara Hilliard seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Ed Sivak, Board President

December 20, 2022  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Lockett, Board Secretary

December 21, 2022  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

