

Regular Board Meeting of
the Jackson Public School District
Board of Trustees
October 17, 2023
5:30 p.m.

Board Members in Person

Barbara Hilliard, Vice-President
Cynthia Thompson, Member
Mitch McGuffey, Member
Frank Figgers, Member

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Errick L. Greene, Superintendent
Dorian Turner, Board Attorney
Larrissa Moore, ESQ., General Counsel
Earl Burke, Chief Operations Officer
Elem., Middle & High School Asst. Supt.

Board Member via Teleconference

Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Member

Board Member Absent

Dr. Ed Sivak, President

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

- I. Call to Order: Barbara Hilliard, Board Vice-President, called the Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District to order on October 17, 2023, at 5:30 P. M.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established as five (5) members, namely, Barbara Hilliard, Mitch McGuffey, Frank Figgers, Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston and Cynthia Thompson were present or participated via video/teleconference. Dr. Ed Sivak was absent from the meeting.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Frank Figgers moved that the Board adopt the agenda as presented; Mitch McGuffey seconded; votes cast for the motion: Barbara Hilliard, Frank Figgers, Jeanne M. Hairston, Mitch McGuffey and Frank Figgers; votes cast against the motion: none.
- IV. Reading and Approving of the Minutes:
 - a. October 3, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item a. Mitch McGuffey moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, Mitch McGuffey and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
 - b. October 10, 2023 Special Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item b. Mitch McGuffey moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, Mitch McGuffey and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- V. Superintendent's Report:
 - a. Scholar Reflections from the Legacy Museum Field Trip
- VI. Public Participation for General Comments and/or Proposed Policy Issues:
 - a. Gwen Gardner requested to address the Board in support of the optimization plan.
 - b. Lee Bernard requested to address the Board in support of the optimization plan.
 - c. JoAnne Mickens requested to address the Board in support of the optimization plan
 - d. Reginald Thompson requested to address the Board in support of the optimization plan.

- e. Tamarra Butler Washington requested to address the Board regarding the optimization plan.

VII. Information Only Item(s):

- a. Review of Various Policies for Amendment: BBBCB - School Board Member Visits to Schools, GADE - Sick Days, and GBEL - Computer Usage: Data and Security:

VIII. Information/Action Item(s):

- a. Approval of Legacy Scholars Grant Agreement with Equal Justice Initiative and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item a. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Agreement between Community Foundation for Mississippi and the Jackson Public Schools District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item b. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Request to Approve the 16th Section Lease Agreement between Jackson Public School District and Eric Baggett: The Board voted to approve item c. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- d. Approval of Monthly Financial Report for the Month Ended September 30, 2023 (FY 2023-2024): The Board voted to approve item d. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- e. Approval of the Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Issuance of a Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note (TAN) on behalf of Jackson Public Schools in the Amount of \$20,000,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2023-2024: The Board voted to approve item e. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- f. Approval of Jackson Public School District's Emergency Management Plan: The Board voted to approve item f. Mitch McGuffey moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

IX. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

- a. Approval of Bid 3247 Domino's Pizza: The Board voted to approve item a. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval of Final Contract Adjustment Change Order #1 (Credit \$30,957.50) Restroom Improvements for Lanier High School: The Board voted to approve item b. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Final Contract Adjustment Change Order #2 (Credit \$13,372.57) Structural Improvements for Johnson Elementary School: The Board voted to

approve item c. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none.

PASSED

- d. Approval of Final Contract Adjustment Change Order #2 (Credit \$8,705.47) Interior and Exterior Improvements for Raines Elementary School: The Board voted to approve item d. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none.

PASSED

- e. Approval of Final Contract Adjustment Change Order #2 (Credit \$36,707.07) Restroom Improvements for Jim Hill High School: The Board voted to approve item e. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- f. Approval of Various Disbursements from Accounts Payable and Activity Funds: The Board voted to approve item f. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- g. Approval to Designate Specified Property as Surplus Property and Approve Disposal: The Board voted to approve item g. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- h. Approval to Rescind Approval of RFP 2023-15 and Reject All Bids Pertaining to RFP 2023-15: The Board voted to approve item h. Frank Figgers moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

X. Consent Agenda Items - Personnel:

- a. Approval of Staff Personnel Matter: The Board voted to approve Staff Personnel. Cynthia Thompson moved; Mitch McGuffey seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none

PASSED

XI. Consideration to Hold Executive Session: None.

- XII. Adjourn: Cynthia Thompson 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

11/9/2023

Date



Cynthia Thompson, Board Member

11/9/2023

Date