

Regular Board Meetings of  
the Jackson Public School District  
Board of Trustees  
February 6, 2024  
5:30 p.m.

Board Members in Person

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

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

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

Board Members via Teleconference

Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, Member

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

- I. Call to Order: Ed Sivak, Jr., Board President, called the Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District to order on February 6, 2024, at 5:36 P.M.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established as all six (6) members, namely, Dr. Ed Sivak, Jr., Barbara Hilliard, Mitch McGuffey, Frank Figgers, Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, and Cynthia Thompson, participated in person or via teleconference.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Mr. Figgers motioned to approve the agenda as presented; Mitch McGuffey seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Barbara Hilliard, Cynthia Thompson, Jeanne M. Hairston, Frank Figgers, and Mitch McGuffey; votes cast against the motion: none.
- IV. Reading and Approving of the Minutes:
- a. January 18, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item a. Mitch McGuffey moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Cynthia Thompson, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none.
- PASSED**
- V. Superintendent's Report:
- VI. Public Participation for General Comments and/or Proposed Policy Issues:
- a. Ebony Price requested to address the Board regarding per diem days for professional development and contract dates.
- VII. Information Only Item(s):
- a. Student Board Presentation (Callaway High School)  
b. Benchmark II Data Updates  
c. Enrollment Updates  
d. Review of Agreement between Grand Canyon University and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD)
- VIII. Information/Action Item(s):
- a. Approval of Agreement between Jackson State University (JSU) School of Social Work and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item a. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank

Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- b. Approval of Agreement between MSD of Decatur Township (Leaders Connect) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item b. Barbara Hilliard moved; Cynthia Thompson seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none.

**PASSED**

- c. Approval of RFP Rebid 2023-15 (11-14-23) between Edmentum and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for Middle School Math Tutorials - Outcome Based Contracting: The Board voted to approve item c. Cynthia Thompson moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- d. Approval of the 16th Section Assignment and Assumption between Jackson Public School District, Battlefield Properties, LLC, and Jackson Resource Center: The Board voted to approve item d. Frank Figgers moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- e. Approval of Emergency Closure of Schools and District Offices Due to Winter Weather, State of Emergency, and of Providing Administrative Leave with Pay for All Employees: The Board voted to approve item e. Frank Figgers moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, 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 to Accept Donations from Various Donors: The Board voted to approve item a. Frank Figgers moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Cynthia Thompson, and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

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

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

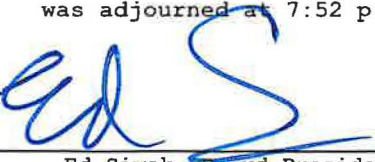
- a. Approval of Various Policies for Amendment: BBBCB - School Board Member Visits to Schools, GADE - Sick Days, and GBEL - Computer Usage: Data and Security: The Board voted to approve item a. Mitch McGuffey moved; Barbara Hilliard seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Barbara Hilliard; 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. Barbara Hilliard moved; Mitch McGuffey seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Dr. Hairston, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Barbara Hilliard; votes cast against the motion: none **PASSED**

**XII. Consideration to Hold Executive Session: None.**

XIII. Adjourn: Cynthia Thompson moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

  
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Ed Sivak, Board President

  
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Cynthia Thompson, Board Member

  
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