

Regular Board Meeting of
the Jackson Public School District
Board of Trustees
August 20, 2024
5:30 p.m.

Board Members in Person

Dr. Ed Sivak, Jr., Board President
Mitch McGuffey, Member
Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston
Frank Figgers, Member
Cynthia Thompson, Secretary

Attorneys and Administrative Staff

Dr. Errick L. Greene, Superintendent
Dorian Turner, ESQ., Board Attorney
Larissa Harris, ESQ., General Counsel
Network Assistant Superintendents
Dr. William Merritt, IV, Chief of Staff
Dr. Michael Cormack, Deputy Supt.
Earl Burke, CFOO

Board Members Absent

Barbara Hilliard, Vice-President

Secretary to the Board

Rosalind Williams

- I. Call to Order: Cynthia Thompson, Board Secretary, called the Regular Board Meeting of the Jackson Public School District to order on August 20, 2024, at 5:34 P.M.
- II. Establishment of Quorum: A quorum was established when five (5) members, namely Ed Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, Frank Figgers, and Dr. Jeanne M. Hairston, attended the meeting. Barbara Hilliard was absent.
- III. Adoption of Agenda: Frank Figgers motioned to approve the agenda as presented; Mitch McGuffey seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion were none. **PASSED**
- IV. Reading and Approving of the Minutes:
- a. August 6, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Hairston moved; Frank Figgers seconded; votes cast for the motion: Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- V. Superintendent's Report
Dr. Greene presented his report.
- VI. Public Participation for General Comments and/or Proposed Policy Issues:
None.
- VII. Information Items Only:
- a. ESSER III Monthly Update June 16, 2024 - July 15, 2024
- b. Review of Various Policies for Amendment: JKA - Credit Recovery, JBG - District to District Transfer, GBEN - Smoking Tobacco Products on School Premises, KJA - School Volunteers
- VIII. Information/Action Item(s):
- a. Approval of Legacy Scholars Grant Agreement with Equal Justice Initiative and Jackson Public School: The Board voted to approve item a. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

- b. Approval to Surplus Any and All Property Pertaining to Viola E. Lake: The Board voted to approve item b. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- c. Approval of Agreement between the Mississippi School Board Association (MSBA) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for Online Agenda Service: The Board voted to approve item c. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- d. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between the Mississippi Department of Health (MDH) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item d. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- e. Approval of Agreement between AccelerateMS WBB Grant Sub-Agreement and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item e. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- f. Approval to Award Partial Fulfillment of RFP 2024-17 to Purchase Wilson Language Classroom Materials: The Board voted to approve item f. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- g. Approval of Agreement between Teach For America (TFA) - Ignite Fellowship and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item g. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- h. Approval of the Amended Agreement between American College Testing (ACT) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for Professional Development: The Board voted to approve item h. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- i. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between American College Testing (ACT) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for District Testing: The Board voted to approve item i. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- j. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Grade Results and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for Online and Blended Learning: The Board voted to approve item j. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- k. Approval of the Annual Dropout Prevention Plan for the 24-25 School Year for the Jackson Public School District (JPSD): The Board voted to approve item k. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion

were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

1. Approval of Preliminary Monthly Financial Report for the Month Ended July 31, 2024 (FY2024-2025) : The Board voted to approve item 1. Dr. Sivak moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

IX. Consent Agenda Items - Finance:

- a. Approval to Designate Specified Property as Surplus Property and Approve Disposal The Board voted to approve item a. Mitch McGuffey moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, Frank Figgers, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**
- b. Approval to Extend Prairie Farms Agreement Bid 3238: The Board voted to approve item b. Mitch McGuffey moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, Frank Figgers, and Dr. Hairston; no votes were cast against the motion. **PASSED**
- c. Approval to Extend Sunrise Produce Agreement Bid 3239: The Board voted to approve item c. Mitch McGuffey moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, Frank Figgers, and Dr. Hairston; no votes were cast against the motion. **PASSED**
- d. Approval of Correction and Amendment of Bid 3259 for Pest Control Services: The Board voted to approve item d. Mitch McGuffey moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, Frank Figgers, and Dr. Hairston; no votes were cast against the motion. **PASSED**
- e. Approval of Various Disbursements from Accounts Payable and Activity Funds: The Board voted to approve item e. Mitch McGuffey moved; Dr. Hairston seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, Frank Figgers, and Dr. Hairston; no votes were cast against the motion. **PASSED**

X. Consent Agenda Items - General:

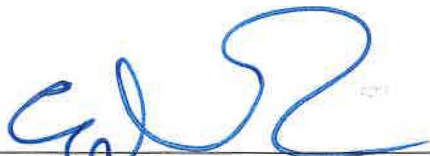
- a. Approval of District-to-District Transfer (Incoming/Outgoing): The Board voted to approve item a. Frank Figgers moved; Mitch McGuffey seconded; votes cast for the motion were Dr. Sivak, Frank Figgers, Mitch McGuffey, Cynthia Thompson, and Dr. Hairston; votes cast against the motion: none. **PASSED**

XI. Consent Agenda Items Personnel:

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

XII. Consideration to Hold Executive Session: None.

- XIII. Adjourn: Dr. Hairston moved, and Frank Figgers seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Ed Sivak, Board President

9/3/2024

Date



Cynthia Thompson, Board Member

9/17/2024

Date