

July 21, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Jackson Public Schools

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July 21, 2026 at 05:30 PM

Agenda

I. Call to Order

A. **Call to Order | Barbara T. Hilliard, Board Vice-President**

II. Establishment of Quorum

III. Adoption of Agenda

IV. Reading and Approving Minutes

A. **July 7, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes**

V. Superintendent's Remarks

VI. Public Participation for General Comments and / or Proposed Issues

VII. Information Items Only:

A. **Review of Legacy Scholars Grant Agreement with Equal Justice Initiative and Jackson Public Schools (CDC) | Larrissa C. Harris, Esq., General Counsel**

B. **Review of Legacy Scholars Grant Agreement with Equal Justice Initiative and Jackson Public Schools (Jim Hill) | Larrissa C. Harris, Esq., General Counsel**

C. **Review of Policy GADJ (Personal Leave Policy & Chart) for Amendment and GADQ (Vacation & Paid Leave) for Deletion | Larrissa C. Harris, Esq., General Counsel**

D. **Review and Consideration of Round XII Repurposing Initiative and Declaration of Surplus Properties (Barr, George and Obama Elementary Schools) | Earl Burke, Chief Operations Officer**

E. **Review of the Agreement between Crafting Engaging Science Environments (CESE) and the Jackson Public School District | Laketia Marshall-Thomas Assistant Superintendent, High School Network**

F. **Review of the Renewal Agreements between Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Laketia Marshall-Thomas, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Network**

VIII. Information / Action Items:

A. **Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Jackson State University (JSU) and Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for a Dual Credit and Dual Enrollment Program | Laketia Marshall-Thomas,**

Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Network

B. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Jackson State University (JSU) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) for Jackson Middle College | Laketia Marshall-Thomas, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Network

C. Approval of the Renewal Agreement and Data Sharing Agreement (DSA) between Empirical Education & Jackson Public Schools | Laketia Marshall Thomas, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Network

D. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between the National Education Opportunity Network (NEON) and Jackson Public School District for a Dual Enrollment Program | Laketia Marshall-Thomas, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Network

E. Approval of the Expert Citizen License Application (AFWalker) | Anasha Caffey, Assistant Principal, Evers Career Development Center

F. Approval of the Expert Citizen License Application (IYWalker) | Anasha Caffey, Assistant Principal, Evers Career Development Center

G. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Stepping Stones and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Talatha Bingham-Gibbs, Ed.D, CCC-SLP Executive Director | Exceptional Education Services

H. Approval of the Agreement between Therapy Spot LLC d/b/a Pediatric Developmental Services (PDS) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Talatha Bingham-Gibbs, Ed.D., CCC-SLP, Executive Director | Exceptional Education Services

I. Approval of Agreement with MasteryPrep for ACT Support and Preparation | Dr. Rajeeni Scott, Executive Director of School Support

J. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between Canopy Children's Solutions and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | LeSian C. Davis, Ph.D., Interim Executive Director Climate and Wellness

K. Approval to Terminate the Agreement between University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | LeSian C. Davis, Ph.D., Interim Executive Director Climate and Wellness

L. Approval of Engagement with The Law Offices of Anne T. Nguyen, Attorneys at Law for H-1B Visa Renewals | Tommy Nalls, Jr. Ed.D., SHRM-SCP, Executive Director | JPS Talent Management & Development

M. Approval of the 2026-2027 District Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) | Otis Clark, Director | JPS Police & Emergency Management Department

IX. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - General:

A. Approval of the Renewal Agreement between The University of Southern Mississippi (USM) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Tommy Nalls, Jr., Ed.D., SHRM-SCP, Executive Director of Talent Management & Development

B. Approval RFP 2026-23-26, the Online and Blended Learning Service Agreement (Renewal) between Grade Results and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Laketia Marshall-Thomas, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, High School Network

C. Approval of the 2026-2027 Salary Scale for the Jackson Public School District | Earl Burke, Chief Financial and Operations Officer

D. Approval of the Agreement between iHeartRadio Media and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Sherwin Johnson, Executive Director of Public Engagement

E. Approval of the Agreement between Social Sprout and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | Sherwin Johnson, Executive Director of Public Engagement

F. Approval of the Agreement between Canva US, Inc (Canva for Education) and the Jackson Public School District (JPSD) | George Slade, Executive Director | Information Technology

G. Approval of District-to-District Transfer (Incoming/Outgoing) | Faith R. Strong, Ph.D., Executive Director of Enrollment Strategy & Data Systems

X. CONCENT AGENDA ITEMS - Personnel

A. Approval of Personnel | Tommy Nalls, Jr., Ed.D., SHRM-SCP, Executive Director of Talent Management & Development

XI. Other Business

A. Consideration of the Nomination of the Board Secretary for the 2026–2027 School Year

XII. Consideration to Hold an Executive Session

XIII. Adjournment