

Jasper City Schools
Board Minutes
August 24, 2026

The Jasper City Board of Education met on August 24, 2026 at 4:00 P.M. at the Central Office Conference Center. All members were present. Dr. Ann Jackson was also in attendance.

Chairperson Willie Moore called the meeting to order with the first item to be approved being the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was given by Teresa Sherer, a second by Scott Thornley, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Willie Moore called for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 30, 2026 Board Meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was give by Scott Thornley, a second by Reed Pilling, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Superintendent recommended adoption of a motion to approve the August 24, 2026 Personnel Report actions as follows:

RESIGNATION

1. Approve the resignation of KC Dickerson as Social Science Teacher at Jasper Jr. High School, effective June 4, 2026.
2. Approve the resignation of Breanna Marbury, Instructional Aide (SPED), at T.R. Simmons Elementary School, effective last day of August 7, 2026.
3. Approve the resignation of Larisa Blackwell Harmon as Child Nutrition Program Worker at Maddox Intermediate School, effective last day of August 21, 2026.

EMPLOYMENT TRANSFER / REASSIGNMENT

4. Approve the employment transfer / reassignment of Lily Bishop, from Auxiliary Teacher/Aide (grant dependent) at T.R. Simmons Elementary School to Auxiliary Teacher at Pre-K, effective August 5, 2026.
5. Approve the employment transfer / reassignment of Airzita Woods from Instructional Aide at T.R. Simmons Elementary School to Auxiliary Teacher at Pre-K, effective August 5, 2026.
6. Approve the employment transfer / reassignment of Kelsie Grayson from Instructional Aide at T.R. Simmons Elementary School to Auxiliary Teacher at Pre-K, effective August 5, 2026.

EMPLOYMENT

7. Approve the additional employment of Jade Pounds, Teacher at Jasper High School, as a Substitute Bus Driver, effective August 25, 2026.
8. Approve the employment of Whitney Nicole Shimel as Instructional Aide (SPED) at T.R. Simmons Elementary School, effective August 25, 2026.
9. Approve the employment of Dan Wright as Facilities Manager for the District, effective September 1, 2026.

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10. Approve the employment of Christopher Blake Latham as HVAC Technician for the District, effective September 1, 2026 (pending background check in process).
11. Approve the employment of Travis Clinton Tucker as Custodian at Jasper High School, effective September 1, 2026.

NOTIFICATIONS ONLY – PART TIME CONTRACT:

- Winter Bolen, District Lead Nurse, JHS
- Cindy Flack, CNP Manager, MPS
- Kristie Frazier, Intervention, MIS
- Dusty Goode, Teacher/Coach, JHS
- Erin Gunn, Intervention, TRS
- Beth Kennedy, Discipline, JHS
- Renee Miller, Dragon Fly, JHS
- Dionne Nelson, EL Teacher, MPS
- Lisa O'Mary, District Gap Coordinator, CO
- Angela Sasser, Intervention, MIS
- Jim Shuskey, District Bus Driver, JCS
- Rita Pilling, District Certification & Support, PK
- Kristy Watkins, District Instruction & Support, CO
- Kristi Goode, District Mental Health Case Worker, MIS

NOTIFICATIONS ONLY - LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

- Mary Rigsby, Bus Driver for the District, requested FMLA leave of absence from approximately August 6, 2026 – October 30, 2026.
- Verba Mae Sanders, CNP Worker at Jasper High School, requested FMLA leave of absence from August 7, 2026 – October 5, 2026.
- Trip Otis, Teacher at Jasper Jr. High School, requested Parental / FMLA leave of absence from August 4, 2026 – August 18, 2026.
- Sarah Wilhite, Teacher at T.R. Simmons Elementary School, requested Parental / FMLA leave of absence from August 6, 2026 – October 16, 2026.
- Drew Kirby, Teacher at T.R. Simmons Elementary School, requested Parental / FMLA leave of absence from September 8, 2026 – September 21, 2026.
- Ashlyn Kirby, Teacher at Memorial Park Elementary School, requested Parental / FMLA leave of absence, effective September 8, 2026 – December 18, 2026.

A motion to approve the August 24, 2026 Personnel Report was made by Scott Thornley, a second by Reed Pilling, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ann Jackson recognized Board President, Willie Moore III, as AASB Master School Board Member and expressed gratitude for his dedication, and extended that gratitude to all the Board.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the overnight and/or out-of-state trip requests as follows:

- JHS Volleyball to Sevierville, TN on September 9-12, 2026
- MIS 5th Graders to Camp McDowell on November 4-6, 2026

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A motion to approve the trip requests was made given by Teresa Sherer, a second by Mary Beth Barber, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ann Jackson called upon CSFO Monique Rector for the July 2026 Financials. Mrs. Rector presented the July 2026 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations as follows:

- July 2026:
 - The General Fund had an ending balance of \$21,186,313.32.
 - The Special Revenue Fund had an ending balance of \$1,012,649.84.
 - The Capital Projects Fund had an ending balance of \$4,744,799.54.
 - All school bank accounts balanced without issues.
 - A check register report was presented outlining checks paid from July 1-31, 2026.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the July 2026 Financial Reports and Bank Reconciliations. A motion to approve the financial report as presented was given by Scott Thornley, a second by Reed Pilling, and the motion carried unanimously.

Budget Hearings were set for:

- 1) September 1, 2026 at 4:00 PM
- 2) September 2, 2026 at 8:00 AM

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the Soliant Health LLC Client Services Agreement. A motion to the services agreement was given by Teresa Sherer, a second by Mary Beth Barber, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the Resolution Agreement 26-86. A motion to the resolution agreement was given by Reed Pilling, a second by Scott Thornley, and the motion carried unanimously.

At 4:15 PM, Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion approving to convene into executive session with no action to be taken during the executive session. A motion to convene into executive session was given by Mary Beth Barber, a second by Teresa Sherer, and the motion carried unanimously.

At 4:31 PM, Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion approving to adjourn from executive session. A motion to adjourn from executive session was given by Teresa Sherer, a second by Reed Pilling, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Jackson recommended adoption of a motion to approve the action. A motion to approve the Student A discipline matter action was given by Mary Beth Barber, a second by Reed Pilling, and the motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned unanimously following a motion by Scott Thornley, and a second by Reed Pilling.