

**Jackson-Madison County School Board Meeting**  
May 9, 2019 5:30 PM  
Jackson-Madison County Board of Education

Attendance Taken at 5:21 PM.

Mr. Kevin Alexander:	Present
Mr. Wayne Arnold:	Present
Ms. Doris Black:	Present
Jim Campbell:	Present
Mrs. Janice Hampton:	Present
Mr. James Johnson:	Present
Mr. A. J. Massey:	Present
Mr. Morris Merriweather:	Present
Mrs. Shannon Stewart:	Present

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. MOMENT OF SILENCE
- B. PRESENTATION OF COLORS BY AIR FORCE ROTC
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**2. APPROVALS**

A. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

**Action(s):**

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda Passed with a motion by Jim Campbell and a second by Mr. Wayne Arnold.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander:	Yes
Mr. Wayne Arnold:	Yes
Ms. Doris Black:	Yes
Jim Campbell:	Yes

Mrs. Janice Hampton:	Yes
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Mr. James Johnson:	Yes
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Mr. A. J. Massey:	Yes
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Mr. Morris Merriweather:	Yes
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Mrs. Shannon Stewart:	Yes
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B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Action(s):**

A motion was made to approve the Agenda Passed with a motion by Mrs. Janice Hampton and a second by Mr. James Johnson.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander: Yes  
Mr. Wayne Arnold: Yes  
Ms. Doris Black: Yes  
Jim Campbell: Yes  
  
Mrs. Janice Hampton: Yes  
Mr. James Johnson: Yes  
Mr. A. J. Massey: Yes  
Mr. Morris Merriweather: Yes  
Mrs. Shannon Stewart: Yes

**3. APPEARANCE BEFORE THE JMCSS BOARD**

**A. STUDENT ADVISORY FOR 2018-2019 CERTIFICATES**

**Discussion:** Dr. Eric Jones, Superintendent and Kevin Alexander, Board Chairman presented certificates to the Student Advisory for the 2019-2020 school year.

**4. JMCEA ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Discussion:** Earlene Price, President of JMCEA thanked the Board and Dr. Jones for their service.

**5. FINANCIAL REPORT**

**A. JMCSS FISCAL SERVICES DIRECTOR-BUDGET AMENDMENTS, MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT, QUARTERLY EXPENDITURE ANALYSIS**

**Discussion:** Holly Kellar mentioned there were no new updates concerning the Financial Statements from Monday 6, 2019 Work Session.

**B. MADISON COUNTY FINANCE DIRECTOR-FINANCIAL UPDATES**

**Discussion:** Mike Nichols mentioned that Karen Bell would be the new County Finance Director.

**6. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION**

**Discussion:** The FY20 Consolidated Application Approval for IDEA/ESEA School Year 2019-20. The Application was needing Board approval for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

**Action(s):**

Wayne Arnold made a motion for the Board to approve the Fy20 Consolidated Application Approval for IDEA/ESEA. Passed with a motion by Mr. Wayne Arnold and a second by Mrs. Janice Hampton.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander: Yes

Mr. Wayne Arnold:	Yes
Ms. Doris Black:	Yes
Jim Campbell:	Yes
Mrs. Janice Hampton:	Yes
Mr. James Johnson:	Yes
Mr. A. J. Massey:	Yes
Mr. Morris Merriweather:	Yes
Mrs. Shannon Stewart:	Yes

**B. TEACHERS BEING RECOMMENDED FOR TENURE 2019-2020**

**Discussion:** Recommendation from the Superintendent to the Board of Education to grant tenure to the following teachers: Alexander-Pamela Berkley, Andrew Jackson-Melissa Blankenship and Brooke Hennings, Arlington-Amanda Stafford Smith and Zuelene Troutt, Community Montessori-Chelsea Bergeron, Melinda Harris, Rileyann Smith and Carol Stults, Denmark- Amanda Mullen and Tina Williams, East-Miranda Jackson, Isaac Lane-Yahaira Vasquez, JCM Early College High - Shekia Allen, Phillip Katras and Nathaniel Lewis, JCT- Euronda Lee-Hicks, Philip Plyer, Liberty-Marilynn Eblen and Matthew Lindsey, Lincoln- Annie Akins and Audra Yates, Madison- Melanie Hurst and Malea Mullins, North Side High- Julie Zanati, Northeast Middle-Melanie Morales, Samuel Rhodes, Michelle York and Jana Young, Nova- Andrea Gibbs, Parkview-Angela Branch and Rebecca Sage, Pope-Ernelle Bryson, Megan Jones, Loutishie McGhee and Kelly Stack, Rose Hill-Hollie Lowe, Troy Miller and Ashley Vinson, South Elementary-Sherri Henson and Nancy Roberts, South Side High-Carla Brown and Tyler Reeder, System-wide-John Barnes, Hope Khalil, Amy Long and Jacqueline Wagner, Thelma Barker-Lauren Gatlin and Jamie Pledger, West-Bemis- Ashlee Davis and Rhonda Murray.

**Action(s):**

Morris Merriweather made a motion to approve the Teachers being recommended for Tenure 2019-2020. Passed with a motion by Mr. Morris Merriweather and a second by Mr. Wayne Arnold.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander:	Yes
Mr. Wayne Arnold:	Yes
Ms. Doris Black:	Yes
Jim Campbell:	Yes

Mrs. Janice Hampton: Yes  
Mr. James Johnson: Yes  
Mr. A. J. Massey: Yes  
Mr. Morris Merriweather: Yes  
Mrs. Shannon Stewart: Yes

**C. BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR 2019-2020 BUDGET APPROVAL**

**Action(s):**

James Johnson, Chairman of the Budget Committee made a motion to recommend the 2019-2020 School Budget to the Jackson-Madison County School Board for approval on Thursday, May 9, 2019. Passed with a motion by Mr. James Johnson and a second by Mr. James Johnson.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander: Yes  
Mr. Wayne Arnold: Yes  
Ms. Doris Black: Yes  
Jim Campbell: Yes

Mrs. Janice Hampton: Yes  
Mr. James Johnson: Yes  
Mr. A. J. Massey: Yes  
Mr. Morris Merriweather: Yes  
Mrs. Shannon Stewart: Yes

**D. TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH COMPUTERS**

**Action(s):**

Wayne Arnold, Chairman of the Technology Committee recommends to the Jackson-Madison County School Board to approve the lease agreement for purchasing computers for schools and the number of devices will be determined by the available budget amount. Passed with a motion by Mr. Wayne Arnold and a second by Mr. Wayne Arnold.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander: Yes

Alexander:  
Mr. Wayne Arnold: Yes  
Ms. Doris Black: Yes  
Jim Campbell: Yes

Mrs. Janice Hampton: Yes  
Mr. James Johnson: Yes  
Mr. A. J. Massey: Yes  
Mr. Morris Merriweather: Yes  
Mrs. Shannon Stewart: Yes

**E. LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR ALEXANDER ELEMENTARY, JCM EARLY COLLEGE HIGH AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

**Action(s):**

Morris Merriweather, Chairman of Long Range Planning made a motion to except the recommendation from Dr. Eric Jones to allow Alexander Elementary School to remain open, JCM Early College High to remain at the present location and for the Workforce Development portion to be used behind JMC Early College High. Passed with a motion by Mr. Morris Merriweather and a second by Mr. Morris Merriweather.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander: Yes  
Mr. Wayne Arnold: Yes  
Ms. Doris Black: Yes  
Jim Campbell: Yes

Mrs. Janice Hampton: Yes  
Mr. James Johnson: Yes  
Mr. A. J. Massey: Yes  
Mr. Morris Merriweather: Yes  
Mrs. Shannon Stewart: Yes

**F. APPROVAL OF DATES WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH**

**Discussion:**

Monday, May 6, 2019, in the Work Session the Jackson-Madison County School Board agreed on the following dates to start the search process of a Superintendent to begin work on July 1, 2019. Then dates will be approved by the Board on May 9, 2019.

May 10, 2019 to May 20, 2019, the JMCSS Board will begin receiving the resumes from those wanting to be considered for the position of a Superintendent starting July 1, 2019 until the permanent Superintendent is selected by the JMCSS Board. Resumes must be submitted by using the DISTRICT's online application portal, Battelle for Kids to be considered for this position.

May 23, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., the JMCSS Board will do the following: will review and discuss the resumes, will select two applicants, will contact the two applicants and schedule the interview time.

May 30, 2019, the following will take place: 5:00 p.m. first interview, 6:15 p.m. second interview and 7:30 p.m. Special Called meeting for the purpose of selecting a Superintendent to begin July 1, 2019 until a permanent search for a Superintendent has been finished.

June 18, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., Combined Work Session and Board Meeting: regular monthly meeting and finalize a contract for the Superintendent starting July 1, 2019.

**Action(s):**

Morris Merriweather made a motion to approve the following dates of meetings concerning the Short-Term Superintendent search. Passed with a motion by Mr. Morris Merriweather and a second by Mr. Wayne Arnold.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander:	Yes
Mr. Wayne Arnold:	Yes
Ms. Doris Black:	Yes
Jim Campbell:	Yes
Mrs. Janice Hampton:	Yes
Mr. James Johnson:	Yes
Mr. A. J. Massey:	Yes
Mr. Morris Merriweather:	Yes
Mrs. Shannon Stewart:	Yes

**G. APPROVAL FOR A SHORT TERM SUPERINTENDENT STARTING JULY 1, 2019**

**Discussion:**

The Jackson-Madison County School Board added to the Superintendent Search the following: Morris Merriweather made a motion that the Short-Term Superintendent would not be considered for the Long-Term Superintendent. Jim Campbell second the motion and

the motion passed with 8-1 NO=Wayne Arnold, YES=Doris Black, Jim Campbell, Janice Hampton, James Johnson, AJ Massey, Morris Merriweather and Shannon Stewart. AJ Massey stated that if the Jackson-Madison County School Board liked the Short-Term Superintendent and found that he would be an excellent fit for the system to reconsider the motion to not be considered as the Superintendent.

**Action(s):**

AJ Massey made a motion to require a Baccalaureate Degree but prefer a Master Degree and prefer a valid teacher's license with appropriate endorsement and an Administrative or supervisory in accordance with state law. Passed with a motion by Mr. A. J. Massey and a second by Mr. James Johnson.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander:	Yes
Mr. Wayne Arnold:	Yes
Ms. Doris Black:	Yes
Jim Campbell:	Yes
Mrs. Janice Hampton:	Yes
Mr. James Johnson:	Yes
Mr. A. J. Massey:	Yes
Mr. Morris Merriweather:	Yes
Mrs. Shannon Stewart:	Yes

**7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

A. CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

**8. ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA PER VOTE UNDER ITEM 2.2**

A. ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA BY A VOTE UNDER ITEM 2.2 WILL BE PLACED HERE

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

**Discussion:** Dr. Eric Jones mentioned Teacher's Appreciation week was May 6, 2019 to May 10, 2019. Dr. Jones thanked the School Board for delivering cookie trays to all the schools in the district on Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

**11. LEGISLATIVE CONTACT REPORT**

**12. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. APRIL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

B. SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

C. HUMAN CAPITAL REPORTS

D. FINANCIAL REPORTS

E. CHECKS GREATER THAN \$14,999.99

F. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

13. **BOARD INFORMATION**

A. ANNUAL CALENDAR

B. SCHOOL BOARD ACADEMIES

C. BOARD EXPENSES

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

A. ADJOURN THE MEETING

**Action(s):**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 P.M. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Shannon Stewart and a second by Mr. James Johnson.

**Voting Detail:**

Mr. Kevin Alexander: Yes

Mr. Wayne Arnold: Yes

Ms. Doris Black: Yes

Jim Campbell: Yes

Mrs. Janice Hampton: Yes

Mr. James Johnson: Yes

Mr. A. J. Massey: Yes

Mr. Morris Merriweather: Yes

Mrs. Shannon Stewart: Yes

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Chairperson

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Superintendent

