

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Regular Session

Monday, March 9, 2026

A Regular Session of the Board of Trustees of Jackson County School District was held Monday, March 9, 2026, beginning at 5:00 PM at the District Office located at 4700 Colonel Vickrey Rd., Vancleave, Mississippi.

Members Present:

Amy A. Peterson	Chairwoman
Deanna Smith	Vice Chairwoman
Lea Bailey	Absent
William Collier	District 3
Stefanie Moran	District 4
David Baggett	Superintendent
Jack Pickett, Esq.	Board Attorney

Those present were: See attached sign in sheet.

Board member Stephanie Moran was sworn in as District 4 Board member by Circuit Clerk, Randy Carney, prior to meeting being called to order.

Board member Bailey was present for executive session portion of the meeting.

Board Chairwoman Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Board Member Smith gave the invocation. Board Member Moran led the pledge.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Motion by Board Member Moran, Second by Board Member Collier to approve the consent agenda items presented, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Item	8	D-7	Approve Costs Associated with Student Accident Insurance for 2026-2027 With Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company
Item	8	F-1	Approve Policy GBBA: Professional Personnel Qualifications
Item	8	F-2	Approve Policy GBC: Recruitment and Selection
Item	8	F-3	Approve Policy GBDB: Retired Teacher Employment
Item	8	F-4	Approve Policy GBKAR: Professional Personnel Reduction in Force
Item	8	F-5	Approve Policy GBN: Personnel Separation/Nonrenewal
Item	8	F-6	Approve Policy GBRC: Professional Personnel Workload
Item	8	F-7	Approve Policy GBRHC: Return to Work

- Item 8 F-8 Approve Policy GBRI: Absence from Duty
- Item 8 F-9 Approve Policy GBR: Sexual Harassment
- Item 8 F-10 Approve Policy GBRL: Drug Free Schools and Workplace
- Item 8 F-11 Approve Policy GBRM-2: Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy
- Item 8 F-12 Approve Policy GCD: Classified Personnel Hiring
- Item 8 F-13 Approve Policy GBRIA: Family and Medical Leave Act
- Item 8 G-1A Approve Walden University Field Site Affiliation Agreement for Five Years
- Item 8 G-1B Approve East Central High School Test Plan Security Plan Addendum Calendar Year 2025-2026
- Item 8 G-1C Approve Purchase of Accelerate Learning Stemscopes Science Curriculum for Grades 4-8 Per Attached Quotes for 3-Year Bundle
- Item 8 G-4A Approve FabLab 2026 Summer Camp Schedule
- Item 8 G-4B Approve Request for Funding of CTE Programs in Jackson County
- Item 8 G-4C Approve FY27 Assurances Form
- Item 8 G-4D Approve CTE2026-2027 Funding Letter Request
- Item 8 H-1A Approve SMHS Change Order for Football Restroom and Concessions
- Item 8 H-1B Award St. martin Middle School Re-Roof Project to Rowell Roofing, Inc.
- Item 8 J-1 Approve VUE Facilities Use Agreement
- Item 8 J-2 Approve ECLE Amira Pilot Coachly License, GR1 Contract
- Item 8 J-3 Approve ECLE IXL Learning Contract
- Item 8 J-4 Approve 2025-2026 Jackson County School District In-District Student Transfer
- Item 8 J-5 Approve 2026-2027 Jackson County School District In-District Student Transfer Petition
- Item 8 J-6 Approve VUE Resolution for Tammy Poole
- Item 8 J-7 Approve Resolution for Harolyn Burns
- Item 8 J-8 Approve 2025-2026 Student Release Request for Jackson County School District Student
- Item 8 J-9 Approve 2026-2027 Agreements for Payment or Non-Payment of Maintenance Funds and Tuition for Transfer Students
- Item 8 J-10 Approve ECHS Football Matching Grant
- Item 8 J-11 Approve Harrison County School District 202-2027 Student Transfer Agreement
- Item 8 J-12 Approve Gulfport School District Student Transfer Agreement for Jackson County School District for the 202-2027 School Year
- Item 8 K-1 Approve JCTC Welding Program Fundraiser for SkillsUSA Competition
- Item 8 K-2 Approve VMS National Junior Honor Society Fundraiser
- Item 8 K-3 Approve ECHS Key Club Fundraiser Authorization- Easter Bunny
- Item 8 K-4 Approve SMNE Fundraiser for Library
- Item 8 L-1 Approve SMNE Travel Request for Jostens Renaissance Global Conference
- Item 8 L-2 Approve Travel Request for Special Education to Attend Handle With Care Training
- Item 8 L-3 Approve SMUE Wings Group 1 Travel Request
- Item 8 L-4 Approve SMUE Wings Group 2 Travel Request

- Item 8 L-5 Approve Travel Request for New CTE Instructors to Attend NTI Cohort XIV Regional Session 3 Training
- Item 8 L-6 Approve SMNE Emergency Travel Request
- Item 8 L-7 Approve Non-Local Travel Request Form-VHS Wrestling Team
- Item 8 L-8 Approve Technology to Attend Finalsite Onsite District Communications Workshop
- Item 8 L-9 Approve Travel Request for ASCA Conference 2026
- Item 8 L-10 Approve ECHS Girls Soccer Travel Request
- Item 8 L-11 Approve Travel Request for Superintendent and Board Member to Attend MSBA Training
- Item 8 L-12 Approve ECHS Travel Request Girls Powerlifting State
- Item 8 L-13 Approve ECHS FFA Travel Request- State

Approve Consent Agenda, Motion by Board Member Smith, Seconded by Board Member Moran, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Approve Agenda, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Smith, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Approve February 9, 2026, Meeting Minutes, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Moran, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Approve February 23, 2026, Special Called Meeting Minutes, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Smith, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Acknowledgements and Announcements

Public Comments

f.y.i.- Construction Update- Machado|Patano

Open Bid for Pascagoula Property

Approve Pascagoula Property Sale to high bidder, John O. Sykes, Motion by Board Member Smith, Seconded by Board Member Collier, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Discuss February 2026 Monthly Financial Reports {MS 37-9-18}

Approve Asset Disposal, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Moran, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Approve Prepaid Claims Docket, Motion by Board Member Smith, Seconded by Board Member Collier, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Approve Open Claims Docket, Motion by Board Member Moran, Seconded by Board Member Collier, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Consideration and Approval of a Loan Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Limited-Tax Promissory Note in a Principal Amount Up to \$25, 000,000 to Finance School District Projects and the Prepayment of the 2019 Limited-Tax Note, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Smith, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

f.y.i. Worker's Compensation

Approve March Personnel Agenda, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Moran, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Approve 2026-2027 Certified Annual Recommendations, Motion by Board Member Smith, Seconded by Board Member Collier, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Present Policy GBAAB: Negotiation of Salaries with Out of State Retirees
Present Policy GFABJ: Special Education Case Manger Job Description
Present Policy GFBCI: Homebound Teacher Job Description
Present Policy JAA: Equal Educational Opportunities
Present Policy JAD: Student Handbook
Present Policy JB: students Complaints of Sexual Discrimination/Harassment Title IX
Present Policy JBAC: Truancy
Present Policy JBD: Attendance
Present Policy JGA: Pandemic/Epidemic Emergencies
Present Policy JKAA: School Sponsored Fundraisers
Present Policy GFAEG: Educational Technology Specialist Job Description
Present Policy GFAEJ: Student and Technology Support Manager Job Description
Present Policy GFAFB: Federal Programs Coordinator
Present Policy GF BCH: Director of Student Services/Federal Programs Job Description
Present Policy JBAB: Home Schooling/Transfer Student Testing
Present Policy GFAGA: Curriculum Specialist Job Description
Present Policy JBA: Compulsory School Attendance/School Age

Present Policy JBB: Entrance Age
Present Policy GBOA: Professional personnel Release from Contract
Present Policy GBK: Professional personnel Suspension/Dismissal

Approve Purchase Agreement for E-Rate Bid, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Moran, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

f.y.i. Monthly School Improvement Board Reports for ATSI Schools: SMEE, SMUE, SMMS, SMHS, and ECMS

f.y.i.- February 2026 Free and Reduced Percentages

f.y.i.- February 2026 Average Daily Participation

16th SECTION:

f.y.i. – 16th Section Past Due Leases

Approve Lease Cancellation for State Lease 8031 for Non-Payment- No Action Taken

Open Hunting and Fishing Bids for State Leases 18150, 20212, 14203

Approve Bids for State Hunting and Fishing Leases 20212 to Charles Rice and 14203 to Gary Vanderslice, Motion by Board Member Smith, Seconded by Board Member Moran, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Open Bid for Timber Harvest for Section 16-T4S-R8W

Accept and Approve Circle T as the Best Bid for Timber Harvest on Section 16-T4S-R8W, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Smith, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

f.y.i. Superintendent Update

Closed Session, Motion to enter into Closed Session at 5:59 p.m. by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Moran, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Executive Session, Motion by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Moran, to exit Closed Session and enter Executive Session at 5:59 p.m., with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Absent
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

Board Member Bailey entered the meeting.

STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE 05:25-26: Motion by Board Member Bailey, Second by Board Member Moran to affirm the recommendation of Administration, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Aye
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE 06:25-26: Motion by Board Member Collier, Second by Board Member Bailey to approve the modified recommendation of Administration, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson	Aye
Board Member Smith	Aye
Board Member Bailey	Aye
Board Member Collier	Aye
Board Member Moran	Aye

STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE 07:25-26: Motion by Board Member Bailey, Second by Board Member Collier to approve the modified recommendation of Administration, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson Aye
Board Member Smith Aye
Board Member Bailey Aye
Board Member Collier Aye
Board Member Moran Aye

STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE 08:25-26: Motion by Board Member Smith, Second by Board Member Bailey to approve the modified recommendation of Administration, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson Aye
Board Member Smith Aye
Board Member Bailey Aye
Board Member Collier Aye
Board Member Moran Aye

STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE 09:25-26: Motion by Board Member Moran, Second by Board Member Bailey to affirm the recommendation of Administration, with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson Aye
Board Member Smith Aye
Board Member Bailey Aye
Board Member Collier Aye
Board Member Moran Aye

Executive Session, Motion by Board Member Bailey, Seconded by Board Member Moran, to exit Executive Session at 7:03 p.m., with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson Aye
Board Member Smith Aye
Board Member Bailey Aye
Board Member Collier Aye
Board Member Moran Aye

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, a motion was made by Board Member Collier, Seconded by Board Member Bailey to adjourn at 7:03 p.m. with the following vote taken:

Board Member Peterson Aye
Board Member Smith Aye
Board Member Bailey Aye
Board Member Collier Aye
Board Member Moran Aye

Meeting adjourned 7:03 p.m.

Amy Peterson, Chairwoman

Attested by Lea Bailey, Board Secretary