

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
JACKSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
Wednesday, April 24, 2024 (2:00 PM)

ROLL CALL

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS: Stacey Goodson
Chris Johnson
Tony Pumphrey
Michael "MJ" Jackson
Chephus Granberry – arrived just after roll call and voted by show of hand

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Steve R. Benton, Sr., Superintendent; H. Matthew Fuqua, Board Attorney; Aaron Day, Deputy Superintendent; District Directors; and Citizens

1.0 Call to Order

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The Special Workshop was called to order at 2:00 PM by Chairman Tony Pumphrey.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

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Recommendation: Approval of the AGENDA

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Chris Johnson) Moved, Member (Stacey Goodson) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approval of the AGENDA'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

3.0 Citizen's Request

3.1 Citizens Request: This time is set aside for the Citizens of Jackson County to address the School Board. This is not a question and answer period, nor a political forum. Personal accusations and/or derogatory remarks will not be tolerated. Comments should be limited to three minutes or less. In the interest of time, the Chairman reserves the right to limit the number of speakers on a single topic to two individuals. Please arrive prior to the meeting to complete a "Request to Speak" card. In order to adhere to CDC social distance guidelines, building and or board room access may be limited to the speaker.

No one spoke.

4.0 Other Agenda Items - Action

4.1 Approval to Advertise an Amendment to School Board Policy 6325 Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds

NEOLA recommends the amendment to School Board Policy 6325.

Recommendation: Approval to Advertise an Amendment to School Board Policy 6325 Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Chris Johnson) Moved, Member (Michael "MJ" Jackson) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approval to Advertise an Amendment to School Board Policy 6325 Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

4.2 Approval to Change the Board Agenda Format by Returning to the "Consent Approval" for Certain Categories

Board Members have requested to return to the original agenda format providing a consent approval item for the categories Contracts/Resolutions/Agreements; Projects/Programs/Grants/Plans; Facilities/Construction; and Purchase Orders over \$10,000.

Recommendation: Approval to Change the Board Agenda Format by Returning to the "Consent Approval" for Certain Categories

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Chris Johnson) Moved, Member (Michael "MJ" Jackson) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approval to Change the Board Agenda Format by Returning to the "Consent Approval" for Certain Categories'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

4.3 Approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Grand Ridge School Project Phase II

After meeting with the contractor on 4/18/24, the Superintendent anticipates receipt of this GMP document, and it will be uploaded ASAP. If for some reason it is not received timely, the agenda item will be deleted and presented later.

The GMP document was received prior to the meeting and uploaded to the agenda item.

Recommendation: Approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Grand Ridge School Project Phase II

ORIGINAL – Motion

Member (Chris Johnson) Moved, Member (Stacey Goodson) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Grand Ridge School Project Phase II

Allan Franklin with Culpepper Construction presented information regarding the Grand Ridge Project Phase II. There was discussion about the timeline, the parent drop-off loop, parking lot, and having enough money to complete the project. Board members expressed concern about the possibility of being short approximately \$3-4 million dollars on the total project. There was discussion about cutting the mini gym from the plan until Phase III and possibility cutting the inclusion of food service equipment. These two items would currently save approximately \$3 million dollars. Mr. Fuqua

advised if the person who made the motion would like to amend the motion excluding those two items, the contractor could provide a new contract for signatures. Mr. Johnson amended his motion and Mr. Goodson agreed to second the amended motion.

AMENDED MOTION

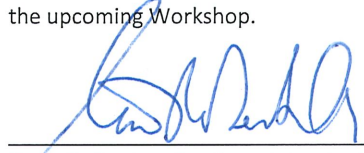
Member (**Chris Johnson**) Moved, Member (**Stacey Goodson**) Seconded to approve the **AMENDED** motion 'Approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the Grand Ridge School Project Phase II excluding the costs of the Mini Gym and Food Service Equipment'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

5.0 Just Cause Item

6.0 Information

7.0 Adjourn

The Special Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:45 PM and the Chairman announced a 5-minute recess before the start of the upcoming Workshop.



Steve R. Benton, Sr., Superintendent of Schools



Tony Pumphrey, Chairman of the Board