

Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

October 10, 2018

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a Board work session at 1:59 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, in the 4th Floor Boardroom at Central High School, 359 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi. Board members present were: Ms. Rosemary G. Aultman, Mr. Buddy Bailey, Dr. Jason S. Dean, Dr. Karen J. Elam, Mr. Johnny Franklin, Dr. John R. Kelly, Mr. Charles McClelland, Ms. Brittney Rye, and Mr. Sean Suggs. Dr. Carey M. Wright was also present.

- I. Dr. Jason S. Dean, Chair, called the Board work session to order and thanked the Board members for coming to the work session. Dr. Dean stated this is a temperature check as to where we are with the accountability model and what should be the process in an effort to continuously improve the accountability model as we hear from practitioners, policies from the federal government, as the Legislature directs, and as regulations dictate. Dr. Dean stated we will always look for ways to improve the model for our practitioners and hundreds of thousands of students in our public school system in Mississippi. Dr. Dean noted that cellular telephones and pagers are not permitted during the meeting. Dr. Dean stated the Board work session is being live streamed.
- II. Dr. Carey M. Wright stated this meeting was originally set to give the Board members an update on the Strategic Plan. Dr. Wright stated that tomorrow the Board members will be given an updated copy of the Strategic Plan to review and it will be put on the November Board agenda for discussion and action. Dr. Wright stated that the meeting today is a discussion of the accountability model with Dr. Christy Hovanetz joining the meeting by Skype. Dr. Wright welcomed Senator Gray Tollison, Education Chair of the Senate, to the meeting.
- III. Dr. Paula Vanderford presented background information on the accountability model. Senator Gray Tollison gave some background information about an A – F system when developing the accountability model and thanked the Board for working with the Legislature. Dr. Nathan Oakley presented the Impact of Accountability. Dr. Christy Hovanetz presented information by Skype on School Accountability: Reforming education starting with A, B, C, D, and F school letter grades. Mr. Alan Burrow presented information on the Mississippi Statewide Accountability System and Next Steps.

The Board took a break at 3:13 p.m. and reconvened at 3:26 p.m.

The Board members had questions and concerns that were answered by Dr. Wright, Dr. Vanderford, Dr. Oakley, Mr. Burrow, and Dr. Hovanetz.

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IV. Dr. John R. Kelly and Mr. Johnny Franklin stated they have both heard from concerned practitioners from across the state about issues revolving from the accountability model.

V. Dr. Jason S. Dean adjourned the meeting at 4:54 p.m.

Approved:



Jason S. Dean, Chair
Mississippi Board of Education



Carey M. Wright
Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education