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## James Jordan Middle School Board of Trustees

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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##### Date and Time

Thursday September 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM

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### **Trustees Present**

A. Bierman (remote), B. Smith (remote), H. Blunt (remote), I. Farrior (remote), N. Mondragon (remote)

### **Trustees Absent**

*None*

### **Guests Present**

A. Pineda (remote), Aaron Lemus (remote), Ashley Franco (remote), G. Lara (remote), Iris Cruz (remote), James Chavez (remote), Jessica Lam (remote), Kristine Minter (remote), Leslie Gameros (remote), Lorena Saldivar (remote), M. Marsh (remote), Martha Espinoza (remote), Sandra Aquino (remote), Sohail Bhatia (remote), guerrero@jamesjordanms.com (remote)

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

B. Smith called a meeting of the board of trustees of James Jordan Middle School Board of Trustees to order on Thursday Sep 17, 2020 at 7:12 PM.

### C. Take public comment

Dr. Marsh: The majority of teachers have informed that teachers do not want to be on campus. JJMS will need to review all procedures. Students who need in-person services such as ELL, kids with IEPs, and students with 504s.

Mr. Pineda: Teacher report. Challenging report. 40% of staff members. Instructions 7/10. High attendance. Students have been learning. 76.6% of students have felt like they have been learning. Challenge length in being online. The same students who are struggling were struggling before. The drive-thrus have been successful. Not all staff members were following social distancing. Air quality was reported as poor due to fires.

75% of staff members are worried or hurt about coming to campus. Staff members requested to follow university protocols. Worried to be on campus. Some have illnesses or family history. 95% of Latino have been impacted by COVID-19. Staff members expressed concerns to come to campus. Quotes from staff were expressed during the meeting.

Martha Espinoza (Parent): Her opinion to wait a bit longer due to COVID-19.

The Board Chair has determined that an emergency board meeting will be held as soon as possible.

Dr. Marsh can make the decision to not continue with the optional on-campus days.

Mr. Bierman: Agrees to the emergency board meeting to be thoughtful about everything. Consider all perspectives to make this year successful. Appreciated the participation.

Ms. Mondragon: Agrees to the emergency board meeting

Ms. Blunt: Agrees to the emergency board meeting. Facts for the board are very important.

Ms. Farrior: Echoes the rest of the board members. The Health and safety of students and staff are important. Make an informed decision.

Dr. Marsh: A special board meeting will need to be arranged within 24hrs. We will invite an attorney to meet legal obligations about the in-person services for vulnerable groups.

Dr. Marsh has issued the order to cancel the on-campus days in September.

Ms. Smith: Potential days for special board meeting: Mon 9/21 or Tues 9/22 or if needed Thurs 9/24 at 7pm.

### D. approve minutes

B. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 08-20-20.

A. Bierman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

A. Bierman Aye

N. Mondragon Aye

B. Smith Aye

H. Blunt Aye

**Roll Call**

I. Farrior      Aye

**II. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:**

**A. Board approval of the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan**

B. Smith made a motion to to table the Board approval of the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan at the special board meeting prior to September 30th, 2020.

H. Blunt seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

B. Smith      Aye

A. Bierman      Aye

N. Mondragon      Aye

H. Blunt      Aye

I. Farrior      Aye

**B. Small group in-person services for prioritized students.**

Tabled for special meeting

**C. Key indicators from our implementation of the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan**

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**Principal Report**

**1. Current rate of attendance for online sessions**

- **August attendance rates: 97%**
- **September attendance rates: 94%**
  - **Up to Date: 96%**

**2. Current number of students passing their classes compared to student grades in Fall of 2019.**

- **Fall of 2019 Progress Report Card**
  - **Students with 2 NCs**
    - **8% of students**
  - **Students with 3 or more NCs**
    - **7% of students**
  - **Combined**
    - **15% of students**
- **Fall of 2020 Progress Report Card**
  - **Students with 2 NCs**

- 7% of students
- Students with 3 or more NCs
  - 14% of students
- Combined
  - 21% of students

### 3. Data on current grade level proficiency in ELA and MATH Fall 2020 compared to Fall 2019.

#### iReady Diagnostic Data

##### ELA Data Fall 2019

##### ELA Data Fall 2020

##### Math Data Fall 2019

##### Math Data Fall 2020

## III. Governance

### A. Add new principal to bank accounts as a signer

B. Smith made a motion to move the financial governance to Add new principal to bank accounts as a signer to the next board meeting.

A. Bierman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

N. Mondragon	Aye
I. Farrior	Aye
B. Smith	Aye
A. Bierman	Aye
H. Blunt	Aye

## IV. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

B. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm.

H. Blunt seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

N. Mondragon	Aye
B. Smith	Aye
A. Bierman	Aye

**Roll Call**

I. Farrior        Aye

H. Blunt        Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Lara

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**Documents used during the meeting**

- JJMS\_Irngcntntyatndncpln\_BoardApproved\_9.14.20.pdf
- Sept LACDPH school order .pdf
- ExposureManagementPlan\_K12Schools.pdf