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## James Jordan Middle School Board of Trustees

### Minutes

#### BOARD MEETING

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#### Date and Time

Thursday July 15, 2021 at 7:00 PM

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a. Non-agenda items: any person may address the Board concerning any item not on the agenda provided that no individual presentation shall be for no more than 3 minutes (or 6 minutes with translation) and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed 20 minutes (provided that the President may grant additional time if circumstances permit). Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to such presentations and no action can be taken as the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation or calendar the issue for further discussion. Individuals may also request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda and once such an item is properly agendized and publicly noticed, the Board can discuss, respond, and possibly act upon such an item.

b. Agenda Items: The presentation to the Board shall be made at the time a specific item is under discussion. Any person may address the Board concerning any item on the agenda provided that no individual presentation shall be for no more than 3 minutes (6 minutes with translation) and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed 30 minutes (provided that the Board Chair may grant additional time if circumstances permit). Speakers are requested to state their name and address and adhere to the time limits set forth herein. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes in English and 6 minutes with translation. Spanish translation will be provided by the school at every board meeting. If you need translation for another language, please contact the school 48 hours in advance to allow us to find a translator.

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### **Trustees Present**

A. Bierman (remote), B. Smith (remote), H. Blunt (remote), M. Flores (remote), N. Mondragon (remote), P. Lambros (remote), R. Edelen (remote)

### **Trustees Absent**

S. Belle

### **Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened**

P. Lambros

### **Guests Present**

Antonio Gonzalez (remote), E. Hodes (remote), G. Lara (remote), J. Green (remote), M. Marsh (remote), P. Reyes-Guerrero (remote), T. Baier (remote), V. Albores (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 Jul 15, 2021 at 7:03 PM.

### **C. approve minutes**

B. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from BOARD MEETING on 06-17-21.

A. Bierman seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

A. Bierman	Aye
N. Mondragon	Aye
M. Flores	Aye
P. Lambros	Absent
H. Blunt	Aye
B. Smith	Aye
S. Belle	Absent
R. Edelen	Aye

### **D. Public comment: NON AGENDA ITEMS**

## **II. Academic Achievement**

### **A. Instructional Calendar and Minutes**

B. Smith made a motion to adopt the academic calendar for instructional days and the instructional minutes as presented for the school year 2021-2022.

N. Mondragon seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

P. Lambros	Absent
S. Belle	Absent
A. Bierman	Aye
M. Flores	Aye
H. Blunt	Aye
N. Mondragon	Aye
R. Edelen	Aye
B. Smith	Aye

### **B. Annual Declaration of Need for highly-qualified teachers**

M. Flores made a motion to approve the annual declaration of the need for highly qualified teachers as presented to be submitted to the CTC.

R. Edelen seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Flores Aye  
B. Smith Aye  
N. Mondragon Aye  
H. Blunt Aye  
P. Lambros Absent  
A. Bierman Aye  
S. Belle Absent  
R. Edelen Aye

**C. Credential flexibility: Local Area Option proposed for 2021-22**

B. Smith made a motion to approve the local area options presented for the school year 21-22 which covers Todd, Bhatri, Minter, and McDonald.

N. Mondragon seconded the motion.

JJMS approved it once before.

Due to CalSAAS, JJMS will present Local Area Option candidates on an annual basis  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

N. Mondragon Aye  
R. Edelen Aye  
M. Flores Aye  
A. Bierman Aye  
H. Blunt Aye  
P. Lambros Absent  
B. Smith Aye  
S. Belle Absent

**III. Financials**

**A. Approval of financial documents relevant to a loan for the construction of a permanent building**

P. Lambros arrived at 7:30 PM.

R. Edelen made a motion to pass the board resolution for Self Help.

N. Mondragon seconded the motion.

The loan will be set at 3.20% from the lender SelfHelp.

Finalizing permits.

The lender conducted several interviews with the JJMS leadership to get to know JJMS

Add Ms. Mondragons date

Change Hilary to Hillary

Change Shannon to Shannen

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

**Roll Call**

R. Edelen Aye  
B. Smith Aye  
A. Bierman Aye  
P. Lambros Aye  
N. Mondragon Aye  
M. Flores Aye  
S. Belle Absent  
H. Blunt Aye

**B. Selection of a Bid for the construction of the new building**

B. Smith made a motion to authorize Dr. Myranda Marsh, the Executive Director, to sign a guaranteed price contract with EPI not to exceed \$9.2 million dollars.

M. Flores seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Flores Aye  
P. Lambros Aye  
B. Smith Aye  
S. Belle Absent  
R. Edelen Aye  
N. Mondragon Aye  
A. Bierman Aye  
H. Blunt Aye

**C. Approval of a lease for a permanent facility between JJMS and Phoenix Facilities, LLC.**

B. Smith made a motion to approval of the lease for a permanent facility between JJMS and Phoenix Facilities, LLC. and further authorizes the board secretary, Ms. Nancy Mondragon, to sign a lease detailing the relationship and obligations between JJMS and Phoenix Facilities, LLC.

M. Flores seconded the motion.

[Lease Agreement JJMS PFLLC](#)

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

**Roll Call**

H. Blunt Aye  
R. Edelen Aye  
N. Mondragon Aye  
M. Flores Aye  
B. Smith Aye  
P. Lambros Aye

**Roll Call**

S. Belle Absent  
A. Bierman Aye

**D. Bank account for Phoenix Facilities**

R. Edelen made a motion to instruct the Executive Director, Dr. Myranda Marsh, and our ExEd team to establish a bank account for the purpose of facility financing and the following people will be signers on the new account, Myranda S. Marsh, Griselda Lara, Bridget Smith, and Nancy Mondragon.

P. Lambros seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Bierman Aye  
S. Belle Absent  
P. Lambros Aye  
B. Smith Aye  
R. Edelen Aye  
N. Mondragon Aye  
M. Flores Aye  
H. Blunt Aye

**IV. Governance**

**A. CLOSED SESSION: Evaluation of the Executive Director**

Went into a closed session at 8:25pm and returned at 8:53pm

**B. OPEN SESSION: Set the compensation for the Executive Director for 2021-22.**

B. Smith made a motion to set the compensation of the Executive Director, Myranda Marsh, for the 2021-22 academic year school year to reflect a 7% increase in salary from \$128,430.40 to \$137,420.50, including a bonus for the 20-21 school year of \$22,000, an additional paid week of vacation per year, and four weeks paid vacation in September of 2022.

M. Flores seconded the motion.

Smith: Recommended for Dr. Marsh to get a 7% salary increase to reflect the changes made under distance learning

Current Salary \$128,430.40 with new salary \$137,420.50 for 21-22.

Smith: Board consider an additional bonus of \$22,000, an additional week of a yearly week of paid vacation, and as part of the compensation to take a one-month sabbatical the month of September in 2022. Report as 4 weeks of paid vacation

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

**Roll Call**

R. Edelen Aye  
A. Bierman Aye

**Roll Call**

B. Smith Aye  
M. Flores Aye  
S. Belle Absent  
P. Lambros Aye  
H. Blunt Aye  
N. Mondragon Aye

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

B. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:03pm.

H. Blunt seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Belle Absent  
H. Blunt Aye  
P. Lambros Aye  
B. Smith Aye  
N. Mondragon Aye  
M. Flores Aye  
A. Bierman Aye  
R. Edelen Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Lara

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**Documents used during the meeting**

- 2021-22 Regular Bell Schedule (8).pdf
- STAFF JJMS Academic Calendar 2021-22.pdf
- Instructional Minutes calculation\_JJMS\_21\_22.docx
- 21-22 Reports Calendar Information Form.docx.pdf
- JJMS Dec of Need 2021-22.pdf
- TODD Board LAO assign 2021 (2).docx
- McDonald Board LAO 2021 -22.pdf
- Bhatri Board LAO 21-22.docx (1).pdf
- Minter Board LAO 21-22 (2).docx.pdf

- 21 07 09 Board Resolution re Self Help Loan (SJK) (4851-8860-8241.v2).docx