

Library District Board Of Trustees

Applicant Package - Member

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Term:31 Mar 2023 - 31 Mar 2026

Positions Available: 1

Number of applicants in this package: 1

- Jackson, Bessie

Name :Jackson, Bessie

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Board Name :Library District Board of Trustees

In what city district do you live? :

District 2

Employer :

Retired - School Board of Alachua County

Phone Number :

3523843949

Occupation :

Retired School Administrator

Why are you interested in serving on this board? (Please answer separately for each board you are applying to.) :

I have a PhD in Educational Leadership and a Masters in Library Science (MLS). My MLS degree enable me to understand the design, development, and management of libraries, archives, and other information institutions, and their collections and services to improve access to information for users; and a theoretical knowledge of library and archival science, including the theory of information organization, effective communication, and social, political, cultural, and ethical issues.

Prior to thirty-eight years of service before retirement, I have twenty years in the Alachua County school system as an elementary, middle and high school librarian/media specialist and fifteen years as a school administrator. As a librarian, I have knowledge of how a library works. As an administrator, I know what support a library needs to function at its highest level for constitutes it serves.

How many terms have you served on this board previously? :

2

Disclaimer:

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Do you claim any exemption to public record disclosure pursuant to FLA. STAT. Section 119? :

No

Have you been removed from any advisory board for attendance, behaviour or another reason? :

No

Optional: Ethnicity :

African American

Are you a City of Gainesville Employee? :

No

Are you a City of Gainesville Intern? :

No

Are you currently on a City Advisory Board/Committee? :

No

Some of the boards and committees appointed by the City Commission are required to comply with Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, the Financial Disclosure Law. If applicable, would you be willing to file the required financial statement? :

Yes

Do you affirm that your personal and business (if applicable) affairs within the City of Gainesville and Alachua County are in substantial compliance with all city and county regulatory and taxing authorities rules and regulations? * :

Yes

Do you agree with the following statement? Appointees to advisory board/committees are required to attend scheduled meetings as specified in the "Advisory Board Handbook." * :

Yes

Do you agree with the following statement? I understand that this completed application is the property of the City of Gainesville, is subject to public record requests and I hereby certify that the statements made on this application are true and correct. :

Yes

Time of Submission :02/27/23 4:14:25 PM

Attachments:

- Resume.pdf

Dr. Bessie G. Jackson

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Education

- Ph.D. Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, Florida, 2004
Major Study: Educational Leadership and Human Services
Dissertation: *The Effect of the Principal's Leadership Style on the Level of Technology Implementation and Integration in PreK-12 Schools*
- Ed.S. Nova University, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, 1994
Major Study: Educational Leadership
Practicum: *Minority Male Drop-out Prevention Programs in Secondary Schools*
- M.L.S. Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, 1979
Degree: Masters of Library Science
- B.S. Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, Florida, 1973
Major Study: Library Science
Minor: English
- Diploma: Lincoln High School, Tallahassee, Florida, Honor graduate, 1965

Professional Employment

- 2012 – Present District Student Hearing Officer (On-call scheduling)
School Board of Alachua County
Gainesville, Florida
- 2000 – 2011 (Retired) Vice Principal for Administration, Gainesville High School
School Board of Alachua County
Gainesville, Florida
- 1997 – 2000 Assistant Principal, Spring Hill Middle School
School Board of Alachua County
Gainesville, Florida
- 1974 – 1997 Librarian/Media Specialist
Gainesville, Florida
1983 – 1997 Santa Fe High school, School Board of Alachua County
1976 – 1983 Mebane Middle School, School Board of Alachua County
1975 – 1976 Gainesville Public Library, Gainesville, Florida
1974 – 1975 Newberry Elementary School, School Board of Alachua County

Professional and Community Activities

Member, Gainesville Woman's Club, 2011- present. Executive Board 3rd Vice President 2021 - present.

Mile Run Recreational Association Board of Directors 2020 - present.

Board of Trustees, Alachua County Library District, (Term 1) 2016 - 2018, (Term 2) 2018 - 2021.
Served as Board Chair 2017 - 2018

District Board of Trustees, Santa Fe College, Gainesville, Florida (Term 1) 2000 - 2004, (Term 2) 2005 - 2009, (Term 3) 2009 - 2013. Served as Board Chair 2004 - 2005 and 2010 - 2011.

Executive Board Officer, Gainesville Focus on Leadership, 1992 – 1996.

President, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Gainesville Alumnae Chapter, 1994 – 1997.

Neighborhood Advisory Board to the Gainesville City Commission, 1994 – 1995.

Allocation Panel Member, United Way of Alachua County, 1993, 1994, and 1995.

Coordinator, “Young Women on the Rise” *Gainesville Sun* Newspaper Mentoring Program, 1992 - 1995.

President, PALMS (Professional Association for Library Media Specialists), 1989 - 1990.

Church Clerk, Johnson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. (1987 - 1997); (2007 - present)

President of Johnson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church Deaconess Board (1993 - 1999)

Professional Development Activities:

Endorsement in Reading (2007)

Facilitator (Certified in 2005), Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI)

Publication

Jackson, Bessie G. “The Effect of the Principal’s Leadership Style on the Level of Technology Implementation and Integration in PreK-12 Schools.” *JABSE - Journal of the Alliance of Black School Educators*. Volume 6, Number 1, Winter 2007: 85-104.