

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES 5:00 PM MEETING MINUTES
January 18, 2011**

The Board of Trustees of the Tupelo Public School District convened in a regular meeting of the Board held in open session at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18, 2011, at Lawndale Elementary School, 1563 Mitchell Road, Tupelo, Mississippi.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Lee Tucker who welcomed guests attending the meeting.

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

The following School Board members were present during roll call:

Members Present: Mrs. Amy Heyer
 Mr. John Nail
 Mr. Eddie Prather
 Mrs. Beth Stone
 Mr. Lee Tucker

Staff Present:	Dr. Randy Shaver	Mr. Billy Crews
	Mrs. Diana Ezell	Mrs. Kay Bishop
	Dr. Fred Hill	Mrs. Marissa Martin
	Mrs. Linda Pannell	Ms. Patrice Tate
	Mr. David Meadows	Mr. Danny Porter
	Mrs. Julie Hinds	Mr. Kenneth Roberts
	Mrs. Glenda Scott	Mr. Terry Hatch
	Mrs. Dale Warriner	Mr. Larry Harmon
	Mr. Jim Turner	TPSD Principals
	Mrs. Pamela Traylor	

Mr. Tucker announced a quorum and stated that the meeting was lawfully in session.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved unanimously with no changes or additions at the noon meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2010, regular meeting as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

WELCOME, PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Welcome

Lawndale Elementary School Principal Terry Harbin welcomed the Board of Trustees, parents, and staff to Lawndale Elementary School.

B. Public Comments

No requests for public comments were received for this board meeting.

C. Recognitions

The following recognitions were held at this meeting of the Board:

1. Superintendent's Choice Award – Mr. Robert Davis, TPSD Bus Driver
2. E. R. Carpenter Grant Winners – Joyner and Thomas Street Elementary Schools
3. Tupelo High School Band Director Vance Wigginton – National Band Association's "Citation of Excellence" Award
4. Tupelo High School Girls' Cross Country Team and Coaches for winning State Championship 10 Years in a Row
5. Dr. Debbie Davis, Principal of Thomas Street Elementary School, named Tupelo Public School District 2011 Administrator of the Year
6. The following TPSD Teachers of the Year for 2011 were recognized:

• Carver	Susan Hankins
• Church St.	Terry Leigh Clayton
• ECEC	Dusti Kelly
• Joyner	Nikki Logan
• Lawhon	Tabitha Easter
• Lawndale	Annette Atkins
• Milam	Tami Doss
• Parkway	Leslie Hilliard
• Pierce St.	Nina Roberts
• Rankin	Tracie Newell
• Thomas St.	Samantha Cox
• TMS	Leah Patterson
• THS	Julie Worth
• School-Aged Mothers	Jasmine Roberson
• High School Adv. Academy	Pasteria Garth
7. TMS Teacher Leah Patterson was named Tupelo Public School District 2011 Teacher of the Year

COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

A. Statement of Cash Flow for Month Ending November 30, 2010

Finance Director Linda Pannell submitted the Statement of Cash Flow for month ending November 30, 2010, for information and review. A copy of the Cash Flow Report is marked EXHIBIT 1 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

B. i-LeRT and iCORE Presentation

At the noon meeting, the Board heard a report from Mrs. Diana Ezell regarding i-LeRT. Dr. Fred Hill updated the Board on iCORE.

C. Accountability Report – Student and Staff Average Daily Attendance Report for Months 1-3 of the 2010-2011 School Year

At the noon meeting, Mr. David Meadows presented student and staff average daily attendance trend lines and composite average daily attendance percentages for school months 1-3 of the 2010-2011 school year. A copy of the Accountability Report is marked EXHIBIT 2 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

At the 5:00 p.m. session, Superintendent Randy Shaver summarized the above reports for the benefit of those not present at the noon meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Consent Agenda

In accordance with Dr. Shaver's recommendations, Mr. Nail moved to approve and ratify the Consent Agenda as listed below:

1. Granted Permission to Apply for TPSD Grant #1115
2. Authorized the Removal of Three (3) Assets from the TPSD Asset Inventory

The motion was seconded by Mr. Prather and was approved unanimously by all members present. The President of the Board declared the motion passed. A copy of the Consent Agenda report is marked EXHIBIT 3 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

B. Student Transfer Report

Mrs. Stone moved to ratify the administrative decisions in regards to the following student transfer requests:

- Approval of two (2) resident student transfer request (in-district)
- Approval of three (3) nonresident student transfer requests (tuition)

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Heyer and was approved unanimously by all members present. The President of the Board declared the motion passed. A detailed copy of the Student Transfer Report is marked EXHIBIT 4 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

C. Personnel Recommendations

Superintendent Randy Shaver recommended approval of the Licensed Staff recommendations. Mr. Prather seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed. The Personnel Report is marked EXHIBIT 5 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

D. Docket of Claims/Tupelo High School Activity Check Register and Athletic Activity Check Register

Mr. Nail reviewed the Docket of Claims and Check Registers prior to the meeting and recommended approval of the Docket of Claims and Check Registers as outlined below:

- Docket of Claims for the period December 4, 2010, through January 7, 2011, Docket of Claims #89419 through #90066 for Accounts Payable Checks #63474 through #63833 in the amount of \$1,832,044.84.
- Tupelo High School Activity Check Register for November, 2010, Checks #3274 through #3287 in the amount of \$4,075.18.
- Athletic Activity Check Register for November, 2010, Checks #4641 through #4693 in the amount of \$5,349.60.

The grand total for all funds is \$1,841,469.62.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stone and approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

This affirms that the claims and check registers are legal and proper and they should be allowed and ratified as paid by the Superintendent or his designee pursuant to Section 37-9-14 (7) of the Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated.

The Docket of Claims and Check Registers are marked EXHIBIT 6 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

E. November 30, 2010 Financial Statements

Finance Director Linda Pannell submitted the Statement of Income and Expenditures through month ending November 30, 2010, for consideration of approval. Mrs. Pannell stated that a listing by fund is available for the Board's information.

On a motion by Mr. Nail, seconded by Mr. Prather, the Board voted unanimously to approve the November 30, 2010, Financial Statements as submitted. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The November 30, 2010, Financial Statements are marked EXHIBIT 7 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

F. Policy Changes

Dr. Shaver recommended amendment of the following Tupelo Public School District Board Policies:

BBBA	Board Member Qualifications
BEA	Regular Board Meetings
EA	Support Services Goals/Priority Objectives
ECAB	Access to Buildings
IC	School Year
IHBB	Gifted Programs
IJOA	Field Trips and Excursions
IKE	Promotion, Retention and Acceleration of Students
JEA	Compulsory School Age

Mr. Prather moved to approve the amended policies as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stone and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Copies of the above policies are marked EXHIBIT 8 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

G. Student Discipline Report – Case #27

Mrs. Heyer moved to ratify the administrative decision to expel Student #27 for one calendar year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nail and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The Student Discipline Report (Case #27) is marked EXHIBIT 9 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No “Unfinished Business” agenda items were presented at this meeting of the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Recommendation for Make-Up Days Due to inclement Weather

At the noon briefing session, Mr. David Meadows presented various options for make-up of the four school days missed as of January 14, 2011.

At the 5:00 p.m. meeting of the Board, Dr. Randy Shaver recommended the following plan to make-up the missed four days:

- Use IE Day on February 18, 2011
- Use School Holiday – February 21, 2011
- Use April 25, 2011 (Monday after Good Friday)
- Add 1 day to the end of existing calendar (Monday, May 23, 2011)
- Teachers will attend school on February 21, April 25, May 23 and May 24, 2011
- Teacher staff days on May 25, May 26 and May 27, 2011

Mr. Nail moved to approve the recommended plan for make-up days as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Prather and was approved unanimously. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

This action amends TPSD Policy Exhibit ICA 1.0310 School Calendar 2010-2011.

B. FY 2011 Federal Program Application Revised Allocations

Mrs. Dale Warriner presented for information and acceptance the TPSD FY 2011 Federal Program Application Revised Allocations.

Revised budget allocations for Title I, Title I-D, Title II, Title III and McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth (Homeless) are as listed:

Estimated		Final	
Title I	\$1,385,504	Title I	\$1,835,277
Title I-D	108,450	Title I-D	114,149
Title II	296,699	Title II	417,611
Title III	43,164	Title III	53,400
Homeless	25,000	Homeless	81,929
Total	\$1,836,317	Total	\$2,502,366

On a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously to accept the FY 2011 Federal Program Application Revised Allocations. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

C. 2011-2012 E-Rate “Letter of Intent to Budget Funds” for the District’s Portion of the Projected Year 14 E-Rate Program

On a motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Nail, the Board voted unanimously to approve The “Letter of Intent to Budget Funds” for the district’s portion of the total proposed e-Rate Program purchases for the 2011-2012 school year (E-Rate Year 14) in the projected amount of \$1,000,000.00 with the district’s portion of the total projected Year 14 E-Rate being \$200,000.00.

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed. A copy of 2011 E-Rate “Letter of Intent to Budget Funds” is marked EXHIBIT 10 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

D. Change Order Number One (1) and Certificate of Substantial Completion for Rankin Elementary School Front Entrance Improvement Project, Sanderson Construction Company, Inc.

On a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mr. Nail, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Change Order Number One (1) and Certificate of Substantial Completion for Rankin Elementary School Front Entrance Improvement Project with Sanderson Construction Company, Inc. as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A copy of Change Order Number One (1) and Certificate of Substantial Completion for Rankin Elementary School Front Entrance Improvement Project is marked EXHIBIT 11 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A. Future Agenda Topics

No “Future Agenda Topics” were requested at this meeting of the Board.

B. Executive Session

An Executive Session was held during the noon meeting to discuss personnel matters.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mr. Nail, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The President of the Board declared the motion passed and the meeting in adjournment at 5:45 p.m.

APPROVED:
TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ATTEST:

Lee Tucker, President

Eddie Prather, Secretary