

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOON MEETING MINUTES
MAY 10, 2011**

The Board of Trustees of the Tupelo Public School District convened in a regular meeting of the Board held in open session at noon on Tuesday, May 10, 2011, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Amy Heyer who announced a quorum and stated that the meeting was lawfully in session. School Board Attorney Guy Mitchell, III was also present. Members of the press were also present.

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

The following School Board members were present during roll call:

Members Present: Mrs. Amy Heyer
Mr. Rob Hudson
Mr. Eddie Prather
Mrs. Beth Stone

Members Absent: Mr. Lee Tucker

Staff Present:	Mr. David Meadows	Mr. Kenneth Roberts
	Mrs. Diana Ezell	Ms. Glenda Scott
	Dr. Fred Hill	Ms. Patrice Tate
	Mrs. Kay Bishop	Mrs. Julie Connolly
	Mr. Larry Harmon	Mrs. Rachel Murphree
	Mr. Terry Hatch	Mrs. Pamela Traylor
	Mrs. Marissa Martin	Mr. T. J. Higgins
	Mrs. Brenda Meriweather	Dr. Derwood Tutor
	Mr. Marvin Nickels	Mrs. Dale Warriner
	Mrs. Linda Pannell	Mrs. Mary Ruth Wright
	Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia	Mrs. Lynne Rogers
	Mrs. Kelly Stimpson (via WebEx)	

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mrs. Stone the Board voted unanimously by all Board members present to approve the Agenda with the following additions:

1. Add Item 11. Recognition of Tupelo Middle School Students who participated in the Alabama-Louisiana-Mississippi Math League Contest to Section V. Recognitions.
2. Add Item F. TPSD Policy GCBC-E Supplementary Pay Plan for Licensed Staff to Section IX. New Business.

Mrs. Heyer announced that the motion passed. A copy of the amended Agenda is marked EXHIBIT 1 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

REVIEW OF AGENDA TOPICS

Board Members and Tupelo Public School District staff members reviewed agenda topics and heard reports in a work session type format for the April 26, 2011, meeting of the Board of Trustees as follows:

- A. Consent Agenda
- B. Personnel Report
- C. Docket of Claims
- D. Summer Food Service Programs for 2011
- E. Change Order Number One (1) for THS Additions and Renovations Phase II Project
- F. Change Order Number Two (2) for THS Additions and Renovations Phase II Project
- G. Consultant Services to be provided by Dr. Charles Harrison
- H. TPSD Policy GCBC-E Supplementary Pay Plan for Licensed Staff
- I. Cash Flow Statement for Month Ending March 31, 2011

The following detailed reports were given:

- A. Overview of the Common Core Standards

Deputy Superintendent Diana Ezell presented information regarding the status of Mississippi's efforts to move from the Mississippi Curriculum Frameworks to the Common Core Standards.

- B. Superintendent Search Proposal

The Board heard a report from Board Vice President Eddie Prather regarding the possibility of contracting with Mississippi School Boards Association (MSBA) to conduct the district's superintendent search. The Board requested that Mr. Prather contact MSBA Executive Director Michael Waldrop regarding attending the next Board meeting to provide additional information regarding MSBA's Superintendent Search Service.

Executive Session – Personnel Matters

Board President Amy Heyer suggested to the School Board an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

On a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mr. Hudson, the Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously by all members present, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The room was cleared and the Executive Session was called to order by Mrs. Heyer with the following people present: Mrs. Amy Heyer, Mr. Eddie Prather, Mr. Rob Hudson, Mrs. Beth Stone, Mr. David Meadows, Mr. Guy Mitchell, III, Mrs. Julie Connolly, Mr. Jim Turner, Mrs. Linda Pannell, Mrs. Rachel Murphree, and Mrs. Kelly Stimpson (via Webex).

The Board first considered the reason for entering Executive Session. Upon a motion by Mr. Prather with a second by Mr. Hudson, the Board voted unanimously to remain in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously by all members present, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Mrs. Heyer reopened the meeting to tell all those in attendance the reason for going into Executive Session was to discuss personnel matters.

No action was taken during the Executive Session.

Upon a motion by Mr. Prather with a second by Mr. Hudson, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to come out of Executive Session. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously, Mrs. Heyer declared the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this meeting of the Board of Trustees, it was moved by Mr. Prather and duly seconded by Mrs. Stone with an unanimous vote by all members present that the Board adjourn. Mrs. Heyer declared the meeting in adjournment at 1:55 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Arlissa Heyer, President

Elizabeth Stone, Secretary