

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOON MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 15, 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, February 15, 2011, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Lee Tucker who welcomed guests attending the meeting. Members of the press were also in attendance.

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. Danny Porter
	Mrs. Diana Ezell	Mrs. Pamela Traylor
	Dr. Fred Hill	Mr. Kenneth Roberts
	Mr. Billy Crews	Mrs. Lynne Rogers
	Mr. David Meadows	Mrs. Mary Ruth Wright
	Mrs. Linda Pannell	Dr. Derwood Tutor
	Mrs. Glenda Scott	Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia
	Mr. Jim Turner	Mr. Larry Harmon
	Mrs. Marisa Martin	Mr. Terry Hatch
	Ms. Patrice Tate	Mrs. Mary Ruth Wright
	Mrs. Julie Hinds	Mrs. Brenda Meriweather
	Mrs. Dale Warriner	Mrs. Kelly Stimpson
	Dr. Denecise Salters	Mrs. Brenda Robinson
	Mrs. Kay Collins	Mr. Jason Harris
	Mrs. Christy Carroll	Dr. Terry Harbin
	Mr. Travis Beard	Ms. Joan Dozier
	Mrs. Kim Britton	Mrs. Anna Guntharp
	Dr. Debbie Davis	Mr. Lee Stratton

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mr. Nail, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Tucker announced that the motion passed.

SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION WEEK, FEBRUARY 14-18, 2011

Dr. Shaver reported that Governor Haley Barbour proclaimed February 14-18, 2011, as School Board Appreciation Week in Mississippi. Administrative staff and students made comments and presented tokens of appreciation to School Board members in appreciation of their service to the district.

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 February 15, 2011, meeting of the Board of Trustees as follows:

- A. Consent Agenda
- B. Personnel Report
- C. Docket of Claims and Check Registers
- D. Statement of Cash Flow for Month Ending 12-31-10
- E. Financial Statements, December, 2010
- F. Student Discipline Report (Case #19)
- G. Policy Changes
- H. Change Order Number One (1) for THS Site Improvement Project
- I. Certificate of Substantial Completion for THS Site Improvement Project

The following reports were given:

Safe Routes to School Grant

Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia reported that the District intends to collaborate with the City of Tupelo to apply for a Safe Routes to School grant. The city will be the lead applicant on this grant.

Partners in Education Program

The Board heard a report from Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia in regards to a proposed Partners in Education Program. The goal of the program is to engage civic, church, and business organizations to adopt each of our schools.

Third Quarter Inspection Report

Executive Director of Operations Julie Hinds provided a report which included a description of the process used for the quarterly inspections, a summary of the overall appearance of each site, and a detailed report showing the findings at each site.

Recommendation for Make-Up Day Missed Due to Inclement Weather and Authorization to Amend the School District Calendar

Mr. David Meadows requested that approval be granted to utilize Tuesday, May 24, 2011, as the date for make-up of the teaching day missed on Thursday, February 10, 2011. Mr. Meadows noted that if approved the make-up date of May 24, 2011, would be in addition to the four make-up dates previously approved on January 18, 2011. Mr. Meadows further asked that authorization be granted to amend the 2010-2011 School District Calendar to include May 24, 2011, as a make-up

date along with February 18, 2011, February 21, 2011, April 25, 2011, and May 23, 2011, that were previously approved on January 18, 2011, as make-up days.

Executive Session – Personnel Matters

Board President Lee Tucker suggested to the School Board an executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, student matters and a contractual matter.

On a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mr. Prather, the Board voted unanimously to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, student matters and a contractual matter. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The room was cleared and the executive session was called to order by Mr. Tucker with the following people present: Mrs. Amy Heyer, Mr. Eddie Prather, Mr. John Nail, Mrs. Beth Stone, Mr. Lee Tucker, Dr. Randy Shaver, Dr. Fred Hill, Mrs. Diana Ezell, Mrs. Julie Hinds, Mr. Billy Crews, Mrs. Kelly Stimpson and Ms. Patrice Tate.

Mr. Tucker reopened the meeting to tell all those in attendance the reason for going into executive session was to discuss personnel matters, student matters and a contractual matter.

Following the discussion of the first personnel matter Mrs. Hinds left the meeting. Then, discussion began regarding student matters and a contractual matter. Mr. Tucker left the meeting before the end of the Executive Session.

No action was taken during the Executive Session.

Upon a motion by Mr. Nail with a second by Mr. Prather, the Board voted unanimously to come out of Executive Session. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously, the Vice President Amy 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 that the Board adjourn. Mrs. Heyer declared the meeting in adjournment at 2:25 p.m.

APPROVED:

TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Lee Tucker, President

ATTEST:

Eddie Prather, Secretary