



**Cossatot River School District**  
Board Meeting  
October 12, 2023  
Cossatot River School District  
Cossatot River Elementary Auditorium – Wickes, AR  
**MINUTES**

Board Members Present: Mark Duggan, Josh Tadlock, Rusty Youngblood, Leona Scott, Jaclynn O’Neal & Jared Strother  
Board Members Absent:  
Others Present: Superintendent Tyler Broyles. Sign-in sheet attached.

1. President Mark Duggan called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.
2. Prayer by Leona Scott. Pledge of Allegiance by all.
3. Prior Board Minutes
  - A. Motion by Josh Tadlock & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leona Scott to approve the prior board minutes for the regular meeting held September 14, 2023.  
**Vote: All for**
  - B. Motion by Jared Strother & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rusty Youngblood to approve the prior board minutes for the special meeting held September 25, 2023.  
**Vote: All for**
4. Motion by Rusty Youngblood & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Josh Tadlock to approve the financial statements for September 2023- Period 3 of 2024.  
**Vote: All for**
5. PPC-Classified
6. PPC-Certified
7. Principal Reports
8. Superintendent Report
9. Motion by Rusty Youngblood & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leona Scott to approve the Cossatot River School District G/T Program as presented.  
**Vote: All for**
10. Motion by Josh Tadlock & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rusty Youngblood to adopt the Proposed Budget of Expenditures with Tax Levy for Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025 to and including June 30, 2026 and approve the related Sample Ballot.  
**Vote: All for**
11. Public comment on Umpire K-12 School closure recommendation
  - A. Speaker 1, Tiffany Rose Smith – Umpire as a school and effects of closure
  - B. Speaker 2, Thomas Turner – Effect of closure
  - C. Speaker 3, Sherry Hammock – Campus financials
  - D. Speaker 4, Lesli Efird – Benefits of Umpire as a school
  - E. Speaker 5, Sara Carter – Use of funds, enrollment, improvement

- F. Speaker 6, Baylee Carter – Results of a student survey
- G. Speaker 7, Gary White – Transportation/taxes
- H. Speaker 8, Lindsay Ellsworth – Umpire financials, effect of closure, transportation, annexation – No show
- I. Speaker 9, Linda Kitchens – Umpire financials and the effect of closure

12. Presentation by Norman Hill

13. Umpire K-12 School Closure Recommendation

Motion by Rusty Youngblood & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jared Strother to approve the recommendation to close Umpire K-12 School at the end of the 2023/2024 school year.

**Vote: 4 for (Josh Tadlock, Mark Duggan, Rusty Youngblood, & Jared Strother)  
2 against (Leona Scott & Jaclynn O’Neal)**

14. Student Transfer Requests

A. Motion by Rusty Youngblood & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Josh Tadlock to approve the student transfer request of Dakota Neer, Gasten Land, & Laban Land from Mena to CRSD.

**Vote: All for**

B. Motion by Josh Tadlock & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rusty Youngblood to approve the student transfer request of Dalton Jewell from CRSD to Mena.

**Vote: All for**

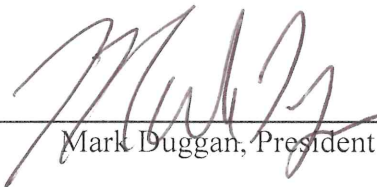
C. Motion by Rusty Youngblood & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Josh Tadlock to approve the student transfer request of Christian Woods & Caseyn Woods from CRSD to Mena.

**Vote: All for**

15. Other – None

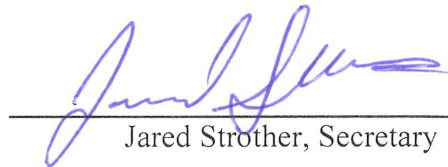
16. Motion by Jared Strother and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rusty Youngblood to adjourn at 8:18 P.M.

**Vote: All for**



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Mark Duggan, President



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Jared Strother, Secretary

**Next regular meeting: Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Cossatot River Administration Building.**