MINUTES TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 21, 2015 FY16 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Tupelo Public School District convened in a duly called special meeting of the school board held in open session at approximately 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge Road, Tupelo, Mississippi.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Joe Babb who welcomed guests to the Tupelo Public School District Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Hearing.

II. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Board members present during roll call were: Mr. Joe Babb, Mrs. Sherry Davis, and Mr. Eddie Prather. Mr. Ken Wheeler and Mr. Hudson were absent. Staff present included: Dr. Gearl Loden, Dr. Diana Ezell, Mrs. Kimberly Britton, Dr. Eddie Peasant, Mrs. Rachel Murphree, Mrs. Rachel Mitchell, Mrs. Shelia Miller, Mr. Jim Turner, Ms. Patrice Tate, Mrs. Modesty Shumpert, Mr. Andy Cantrell, and Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia,

Vice President Joe Babb announced a quorum and stated that the purpose of the special session is to receive public comment on the proposed Tupelo Public School District Fiscal Year 2016 Budget. School Board Attorney Otis Tims of Mitchell, McNutt and Sams was also present. Members of the press were also present.

III. FY16 BUDGET HEARING

As moderator, Mr. Tims explained the rules for the Budget Hearing to ensure orderly conduct and to allow everyone an opportunity to speak to budget issues during the hearing.

Finance Director Rachel Murphree presented the proposed 2015-2016 Tupelo Public School District Budget and reported that no new taxes were being requested.

A copy of the proposed budget is marked EXHIBIT 1 and included in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date.

At this point, Mr. Tims opened the meeting for questions from the floor by explaining that each individual would be allowed to ask one question at a time on a rotating basis until all participants had the opportunity to present a question or make a statement.

A public hearing comment roster was provided; no individual present requested to speak.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no questions or comments from the floor, the purpose of the FY16 Budget Hearing was fulfilled, and the Board adjourned from the Public Hearing at 5:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Joe Babb, Vice President

Eddie M. Prather, Secretary