

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES 5:00 PM MEETING MINUTES
October 26, 2010**

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, October 26, 2010, at Joyner Elementary School, 1201 Joyner Avenue, 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. Danny Porter
	Mrs. Diana Ezell	Mrs. Pamela Traylor
	Dr. Fred Hill	Mr. Kenneth Roberts
	Mr. David Meadows	Mrs. Mary Ruth Wright
	Mrs. Linda Pannell	Mr. Jason Harris
	Mrs. Kay Bishop	Mrs. Kay Collins
	Mrs. Jennifer Strunk	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	Mr. Marvin Nickels
	Mrs. Lynne Rogers	Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as submitted.

Mr. Tucker announced that the motion passed. The agenda is marked EXHIBIT 1 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mr. Nail, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2010, regular meeting as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

WELCOME, PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Welcome

Joyner Elementary School Principal Jason Harris welcomed the Board of Trustees, parents, and staff to Joyner Elementary School.

B. Public Comments

No requests for Public Comments were received at this meeting of the Board.

C. Recognitions

The following recognitions were held:

1. Tupelo High School Student John R. Kanu – Outstanding Participant in the 2011 National Achievement Scholarship Program
2. Joyner and Church Street Elementary Schools were honored for having 100% Participation in the 2010 United Way Campaign
3. TPSD Bus Drivers and Transportation Office Staff were recognized in honor of National School Bus Safety Week (October 18-22)
4. TPSD School Nutrition Department Staff and School Cafeteria Managers were acknowledged in honor of National School Lunch Week (October 11-15)

COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

A. Mississippi Association of School Administrators Fall Meeting and Leadership Conference, Jackson, Mississippi (October 18-19, 2010)

At the noon meeting, Deputy Superintendent Diana Ezell reported on the recent Mississippi Association of School Administrators (MASA) Fall Meeting and Leadership Conference.

B. Month 1 Enrollment Report

At the noon meeting, Mr. Meadows provided a Month 1 Enrollment Report. This report compared Month 1 Enrollment to 2010-2011 Enrollment Projects and Enrollment as of August 31, 2010. A copy of the Month 1 Enrollment 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.

TPSD Names Chief Operating Officer

At this point in the meeting, Superintendent Randy Shaver announced that Billy Crews has been chosen to fill the chief operating officer position. Dr. Shaver reported that the search for a COO began in September and there was a large pool of 74 diverse and highly-qualified candidates. Senior administrative staff conducted initial interviews from which the 7 finalists were selected. Mr. Crews was chosen after an extensive final interview with all senior administrators. Mr. Crews was introduced and made brief comments to the audience.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Consent Agenda

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

1. Contractual Agreement #CO1121
Contracts for Rental of School Facilities #SFR148 and #SFR149
Contract for Charter Bus Service #BC10-11-003
2. Single Source Purchases #SS138 and #SS139
3. Donations #2010-2011-21 through #2010-2011-24
4. Granted Permission to Delete Assets (39 Items) from the TPSD Asset Inventory
and Add Assets (4 Items) to the TPSD Asset Inventory Listing

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

Mr. Prather moved to ratify the administrative decisions in regards to the following student transfer requests:

1. Approval of one (1) resident student transfer (in-district)
2. Approval of one (1) resident student transfer for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year (in-district)
3. Approval to admit two (2) nonresident students (tuition)

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stone 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

Mr. Prather moved to approve the Personnel Report which included the following items:

- a. Licensed Personnel
- b. Classified Personnel
- c. Substitutes
- d. Request to change position from 240 days to 242.5 days (Maintenance Project Worker)

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Heyer and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed. A detailed copy of 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. Prather 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 October 2 through October 15, 2010, Docket of Claims #87649 through #88021 for Accounts Payable Checks #62377 through #62615 in the amount of \$3,121,736.47.
- Tupelo High School Activity Check Register for September, 2010, Checks #3226 through #3242 in the amount of \$2,944.00.
- Athletic Activity Check Register for September, 2010, Checks #4525 through #4587 in the amount of \$5,269.00.

The grand total for all funds is \$3,129,949.47.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Nail 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.

A detailed copy of the Docket of Claims is marked EXHIBIT 6 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

E. Financial Statements for Month Ending September 30, 2010

Finance Director Linda Pannell submitted the Statement of Income and Expenditures through month ending September 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 Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously to approve the August 31, 2010, Financial Statements as submitted. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The Financial Statement Report is marked EXHIBIT 7 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

F. Policy Changes

Dr. Randy Shaver and Mrs. Kelly Stimpson recommended the amendment of several School Board Policies as listed below:

BEDH	Public Participation in Board Meetings
CC	Administrative Organization
EBCE	School Closings
KDB	Public Access to Records
KMA	Relations with Parent Organizations

Due to extensive revisions to the policies, it was moved by Mr. Prather to table approval of the amended policies until the next Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nail and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No "Unfinished Business" agenda topics were presented at this meeting of the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

No "New Business" agenda topics were presented at this meeting of the Board.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A. Future Agenda Topics

1. Mrs. Heyer requested that the Board tour the Ombudsman Program at the Fillmore Center.
2. Mr. Nail requested a report regarding student participation and progress in the new programs introduced during the 2010-2011 school year (Mr. Nail said -- #'s involved and students' progress)

B. Executive Session

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

October 26, 2010
5:00 P.M.

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Board of Trustees – Meeting Minutes

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Nail, seconded by Mrs. Stone, 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