# TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING March 20, 2018 12:00 p.m.

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, March 20, 2018, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge Road, Tupelo, Mississippi.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Eddie Prather who welcomed guests attending the meeting.

#### ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Board members present during roll call were: Mr. Joe Babb, Mrs. Sherry Davis, Mr. Rob Hudson, Mr. Eddie Prather and Mr. Kenneth Wheeler. Mr. Prather announced a quorum and stated that the meeting was lawfully in session. Attorney Otis Tims was also present.

#### OATH OF OFFICE - MR. JOSEPH BABB

Attorney Otis Tims of Mitchell, McNutt and Sams administered the Oath of Office for re-appointed Board Member Joseph Babb. A copy of the signed Oath of Office is marked EXHIBIT 1 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda for the regular March 20, 2018, Board meeting subject to the following changes:

- Add #SFR1828 Rental of School Facilities. Since the facility rental contract involves a student, the matter will be discussed in executive session at the end of the meeting. However, any vote regarding the contract will be held in open session.
- Delete Principal Cindy Pike's name from the list of Employment of 2018-2019 Building Administrators (Section X, Item F.1.).
- Add Proposed amendment to the 2017-2018 School Calendar to reflect cancellation of 60% day scheduled for March 20, 2018 (Section XII. New Business, Item 1.)

The President of the Board declared the motion passed. A copy of the Agenda is marked **EXHIBIT 2** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

#### ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ITEMS

TPSD Policy BBAA Board of Trustees Organizational Meeting stipulates that the organizational meeting of the Board will be held at the first regular meeting of the Board of Trustees following the first Saturday of March of each calendar year.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

School Board Attorney Otis Tims announced that School Board Policy #BBBA stipulates that "the officers of the Board shall be a president, vice-president and secretary and shall be elected at the first meeting of the board following the first Saturday of March of each calendar year." Mr. Tims next announced that the floor was open for nominations for president of the Board of Trustees.

#### **Election of President**

Mrs. Davis nominated Mr. Eddie Prather for president of the School Board. Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion. By general consent, nominations for president were closed and the matter was brought to a vote as follows:

Mr. Joe Babb voted: Aye
Mrs. Sherry Davis voted: Aye
Mr. Rob Hudson voted: Aye
Mr. Eddie Prather voted: Abstained
Mr. Ken Wheeler voted: Aye

By a vote of 4-0, Mr. Eddie Prather was elected president of the Board of Trustees for a second one-year term.

#### **Election of Vice-President**

Next, Mr. Tims announced that the floor was open for nominations for vice-president of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Wheeler nominated Mrs. Sherry Davis to serve as vice-president of the School Board. Mr. Babb seconded the motion. By general consent, nominations for vice-president were closed and the matter was brought to a vote as follows:

Mr. Joe Babb voted: Aye
Mrs. Sherry Davis voted: Abstained
Mr. Rob Hudson voted: Aye
Mr. Eddie Prather voted: Aye
Mr. Ken Wheeler voted: Aye

By a vote of 4-0, Mrs. Sherry Davis was elected vice-president of the Board of Trustees.

#### **Election of Secretary**

Next, Mr. Tims announced that the floor was open for nominations for secretary of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Davis nominated Mr. Rob Hudson to serve as secretary. Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion and by unanimous consent nominations for secretary were closed and the matter was brought to vote as follows:

Mr. Joe Babb voted: Aye Mrs. Sherry Davis voted: Aye

Mr. Rob Hudson voted: Abstained

Mr. Eddie Prather voted: Aye Mr. Ken Wheeler voted: Aye

By a vote of 4-0, Mr. Rob Hudson was elected secretary of the Board of Trustees.

#### Appointment of Legal Counsel

On a motion by Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Mitchell, McNutt & Sams as legal counsel for the TPSD Board of Trustees, and the president of the Board declared the motion passed.

#### **Posting of Public Notices**

On a motion by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Babb, the Board voted unanimously to assign the responsibility of posting notices of special meetings, recessed meetings, adjourned meetings, and rescheduled meetings as outlined in TPSD Policy BBAA to Ms. Modesty Shumpert or Ms. Patrice Tate. In the event that both Mrs. Shumpert and Ms. Tate are absent, the superintendent will designate an individual to post the required public notice. The president of the Board declared the motion passed.

#### Appointment of Recording Secretaries for the TPSD Board of Trustees

On a motion by Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Ms. Patrice Tate and Ms. Modesty Shumpert as recording secretaries for the TPSD Board of Trustees. The president of the Board declared the motion passed.

#### **Authorization of Signatures for District Financial Accounts**

On a motion by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the Board voted unanimously to authorize signatures for district financial accounts in accordance with TPSD Policy DJAA: Authorized Signatures which names Dr. Gearl Loden and Mrs. Rachel Murphree as authorized signatures. Furthermore, TPSD Policy DJAA stipulates that in the event Mrs. Rachel Murphree is absent Assistant Finance Director Rachel Mitchell is also an authorized signatory for district financial accounts. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

#### **Ratification of TPSD Policies**

In accordance with TPSD Policy BBAA Board of Trustees Organizational Meeting, Mr. Babb moved to reaffirm and ratify the TPSD Policies, Administrative Procedures, Regulations, and Exhibits previously adopted or authorized by the Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis, and the Board voted unanimously to reaffirm and ratify the TPSD Policies, Administrative Procedures, Regulations, and Exhibits previously adopted or authorized by the Board of Trustees. The president of the Board declared the motion passed.

#### Appointment of Board Audit Committee to Review TPSD 2017-2018 School Year Audit

In accordance with TPSD Policy BBAA Board of Trustees Organizational Meeting, it is recommended that the Board appoint two members to serve on the Board Audit Committee to review the District's annual school year audit findings.

Board President Eddie Prather passed the gavel to Mrs. Davis and made a motion to appoint Mrs. Davis and Mr. Hudson to serve on the Board Audit Review Committee for the purpose of reviewing the 2017-2018 School Year Audit. Having received unanimous consent, Vice President Sherry Davis declared the motion passed.

Mrs. Davis passed the gavel back to Mr. Prather.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

#### February 13, 2018, Noon, Regular Meeting, HLC

Mrs. Davis made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2018, noon, regular meeting as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wheeler and approved unanimously. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

#### February 13, 2018, 5:00PM, Regular Meeting, Tupelo Middle School

Mr. Hudson made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2018, 5:00pm, regular meeting as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis and approved unanimously . Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No requests for public comments were received for this meeting of the Board.

#### RECOGNITIONS

No recognitions were held during this meeting of the Board of Trustees.

#### **COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD**

The following informational reports were presented to the Board of Trustees:

### A. Response to Intervention (RTI) and Social and Emotional Learning Update Reports (TPSD Goal #1)

RTI Coordinator Amy Ferguson provided an overview of the MTSS/RTI system She also explained that Mississippi is changing the name of the present program entitled RTI to Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) which includes three tiers of instructional/behavioral support for students. Ms. Paige Tidwell also reported on the behavioral aspects of the MTSS system. Future plans for expanding social/emotional learning were also discussed.

#### B. Multi-Year Grant Report (TPSD Goals #1 and #4)

Assistant Superintendent Kimberly Britton presented a comprehensive, multi-year grant report which gives a synopsis of grant applications vs. actual grant funding from school years 2012-13 through 2016-2017.

## C. Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) Update Report (TPSD Goal #1)

Mrs. Britton discussed the progress K-8 schools have made during this first year of STEAM implementation and demonstrated specific examples of how teachers are integrating Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math

#### D. Take 20 Reading Initiative (TPSD Goal #1)

Carver Principal Christy Carroll and Dr. Anita McGraw presented an overview of the Take 20 Initiative recently implemented at Carver Elementary School. Mrs. Carroll discussed the types of reading logs used in the K-2 schools, the positive impacts the initiative has had on students, staff and parents, and ways the campaign is being promoted in the schools. The Initiative has raised an awareness of the length of time to read with the focus on twenty minutes daily. Ways schools utilize school personnel, community members and others to achieve the goals of daily reading and documenting on reading logs were also described. Dr. McGraw also shared experiences from her first grade classroom.

#### E. Assistant Principal Development Update (TPSD Goals #1 and #3)

Assistant Principals Summer Allen and Tyrone Catledge updated the Board regarding ongoing professional development opportunities afforded TPSD assistant principals

#### F. Facility and Operations Safety Audit Report (TPSD Goals #2 and #4)

Mr. Jeff Broaddus, a former secret service agent and veteran U.S. Marine major, of The Broaddus Companies, presented a report on his audit of facility sites from the dates of February 5<sup>th</sup> through February 9<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of assessing how the district is doing with respect to current security measures and recommendations on new countermeasures for the future

#### G. Ad Valorem Report for Amount Received through February, 2018 (TPSD Goal #4)

Mrs. Rachel Murphree reported that the collections for Operations for January, 2017, received by the District in February, 2018, were 77.28% of the amount requested compared to 81.03% in the previous year. The collections for Debt Service for January, 2018, received by the District in February, 2018, were 81.27% of the amount requested compared to 67.61% in the previous year.

Copies of the above reports are on file in the Superintendent's Office.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

In accordance with Dr. Loden's recommendations, Mr. Babb moved to acknowledge, approve and ratify the Consent Agenda as listed below:

#### A. Office of Finance Director Mrs. Rachel Murphree (TPSD Goal #4)

- 1. Contractual Agreements (TPSD Policy DJAAB Contract Signing Authority)
  - a. Contracts to be Acknowledged and Awarded: #CO1864 through #CO1927
  - b. Ratification of Contractual Agreement #CO1863
- 2. Donations #2017-2018-041 through #2017-2018-047 (TPSD Policy DFAB Revenues for Non-Tax Sources)
- Request Permission to Submit TPSD Grant #1814 (TPSD Policy DEEG Grant Management)
- 4. Request Permission to Advertise BD1805 Chromebooks and RFP1801 School Day Pictures
- 5. Permission to Delete 204 Assets from the TPSD Asset Listing and Add Back One (1) Asset to the TPSD Asset Listing (TPSD Policy DM)
- 8. Awarding of Bid BD1702 Managed Print for Copiers/Printers Recommendation: Logista

#### B. Office of Assistant Superintendent Mr. Andy Cantrell

- Student Transfer Report (TPSD Policy JBCD Transfers and Withdrawals of Students)
- 2. Overnight Field Trip Requests:
  - a. THS Band, Performance in Bowling Green, KY, April 7-8, 2018
  - b. THS Band, Performance in Columbia, TN, March 24-26, 2018
  - c. Lawndale Elementary, Honor Choir Performance, Hattiesburg, MS, March 22-24, 2018 (TPSD Policy IFCB Field Trips and Excursions) (TPSD Goals #1 and #4)
- Readmission of Students:
  - a. Student Case #37-2-2016-2017
  - b. Student Case #74-2016-2017 (TPSD Policy JDE Expulsion) (TPSD Goals #1 and #2

#### C. Office of Director of Federal Programs Mrs. Corlis Curry

FY2018 Title III English Language Learners (ELL) Assurances

Acknowledgement that the Board of Trustees have reviewed the FY18 Title III ELL Assurances and understand and agree to abide by the applicable assurances within the plan. The signature page signed by Dr. Gearl Loden, Mr. Eddie Prather and Mrs. Corlis Curry also acknowledges approval of the expenditures and assurances within the automated plan submitted to the Mississippi Department of Education.

(TPSD Goals #1 and #4)

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis and was approved unanimously. President Babb 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.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

#### A. Office of Director of Finance Mrs. Rachel Murphree (TPSD Goal #4)

#### 1. Docket of Claims and Athletic Activity Ref Pay

As Board President Eddie Prather had reviewed the Docket of Claims prior to the meeting, he passed the gavel to Mrs. Davis and recommended approval of the Docket of Claims and Athletic Activity Referee Pay as described below:

- Docket of Claims for the period February 3, 2018, through March 2, 2018,
   Docket of Claims #50887 through #51670 in the amount of \$1,003,774.53.
- Athletic Activity Ref Pay paid officials and fees in the amount of \$2,861.13 for February 3, 2018, through March 2, 2018.

The grand total for all funds is \$1,006,635.66.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Babb and approved unanimously by all members present. Vice President Davis declared the motion passed.

This affirms that the claims are legal and proper and they are allowed and ratified as paid by the Superintendent or his designee pursuant to Section 37-9-14 (7) of the Mississippi Code of 1972.

The Docket of Claims Report is marked **EXHIBIT 4** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

Mrs. Davis passed the gavel back to Mr. Prather.

#### 2. Required Monthly Financial Reports – Month Ending January 31, 2018

Following a review of each report and discussion, on a motion by Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following financial reports:

- Report of Reconciled Bank Statements with Certification
- Statement of Revenue and Expenditure Report with Current Budget Status
- Cash Flow Report for District Maintenance Fund
- Consolidated Fund Balance Sheet for all General and Special Revenue Funds
- Monthly Financial Statement

Board President Eddie Prather declared the motion passed. The Financial Reports for Month Ending January 31, 2018, are marked **EXHIBIT 5** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

## B. Office of Director of Human Resources Mr. Jim Turner (TPSD Goals #3 and #4) Licensed Personnel Recommendations

Upon a motion by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the licensed personnel recommendations including the Addendum as presented. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed. The Personnel Report is marked **EXHIBIT 6** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

# C. Office of Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Kimberly Britton (TPSD Goals #1-#4) Proposed Revisions to Existing TPSD School Policies

Mrs. Britton recommended approval to amend the following existing TPSD Board policies following a review and in consultation with Mrs. Kelly Stimpson, appropriate directors, principals and staff:

Board Member Joe Babb stepped out of the meeting at this point and was not present for the vote.

#### 1. CEA Superintendent Qualifications

Upon a motion by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to amend TPSD Policy CEA as presented. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

#### 2. EBHA Use of School Property

Upon a motion by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to amend TPSD Policy EBHA as presented. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

#### 3. GADAC Suicide Prevention Education In-Service Training

Upon a motion by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to amend TPSD Policy GADAC as submitted. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to table the proposed revision of TPSD Policy **IDDF** Special Education Programs.

Copies of the above policies are marked **EXHIBIT 7** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

Board Member Joe Babb re-entered the meeting at this point.

#### D. Office of Executive Director of Operations Mr. Charles Laney (TPSD Goals #2 and #4)

#### 1. Change Order Number One (1) Lawhon Elementary Renovations Project

On a motion by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr, Wheeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order Number One (1) for the Lawhon Elementary School Renovations Project and further authorized Superintendent Gearl Loden to sign the applicable change order for this renovation project. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

A copy of the abovementioned Change Order Number One (1) for Lawhon Renovations Project is marked **Exhibit 8** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

#### 2. Construction Change Directive #3 Lawhon Elementary Renovations Project

On a motion by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr, Wheeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve Construction Change Directive #3 for the Lawhon Elementary School Renovations Project and further authorized Superintendent Gearl Loden to sign the applicable construction change directive for this renovation project. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

Summary information regarding Construction Change Directive #3 for the Lawhon Renovations Project is marked **Exhibit 9** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

#### E. Office of Assistant Superintendent Mr. Andy Cantrell (TPSD Goal #2)

#### 1. Student Discipline Case #03-2017-2018

On a motion by Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to ratify the administrative decision to expel Student #03-2017-2018, from TPSD for one calendar year (with homebound services) for violation of TPSD Policy JCDAE (2). Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

Detailed information regarding Student Discipline Case #03-2017-2018 is marked **EXHIBIT 10** "Sealed and Confidential" and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

#### F. Office of Superintendent of Schools Dr. Gearl Loden (TPSD Goals #1 and #3)

#### 1. Employment/Reemployment of Building Administrators for 2018-2019 School Year

On a motion by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Hudson, the Board voted unanimously to approve employment/reemployment of 2018-2019 Building Administrators as recommended by Superintendent Gearl Loden. Thomas Street Principal Cindy Pike was deleted from the list and this position changed to vacant in accordance with the approved agenda change at the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

A copy of Employment/Reemployment of 2018-2019 Building Administrators is marked **EXHIBIT 11** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein

#### 2. Employment/Reemployment of 2018-2019 School Administrative Personnel

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Gearl Loden, Mrs. Davis moved to employ/reemploy 2018-2019 School Administrative Personnel which included the following:

- a. Building Administrators
- b. Licensed District Administrators
- c. District Wide Positions No License Required.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Wheeler and approved unanimously. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

A copy of the Employment/Reemployment of 2018-2019 School Administrative Personnel Report is marked **EXHIBIT 12** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

#### B. Information Items

#### **Upcoming TPSD Events**

- March 30-April 2, 2018 Easter Holidays
- April 10, Noon, Regular Meeting, HLC, 5:00pm, THS
- April 23, Rotary Scholars Luncheon, 11:30am, The Summit
- April 27, AEE Luncheon, 11:30am, Parkway Elementary

#### C. Miscellaneous

- 1. Mr. Wheeler and Mrs. Davis discussed the FY17 Audit Exit Conference and announced that the District passed the recent audit with flying colors
- 2. Dr. Loden stated that additional school nurses funded by the District will be recommended for the 2018-2019 school year to fill in the gap for the NMMC funded nurses who were eliminated by the hospital recently.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No Unfinished Business items were presented at this meeting of the Board.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Amendment of 2017-2018 TPSD School Calendar

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Gearl Loden, Mrs. Davis moved to amend the 2017-2018 TPSD School Calendar. The requested change reflects the cancellation of the previously scheduled 60% day for students on March 20, 2018. The purpose of this 60% day was planned to hold parent conferences. This cancellation will assist in making up one of the earlier snow days.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Wheeler and approved unanimously. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed.

A copy of the revised 2017-2018 TPSD School Calendar is marked **EXHIBIT 13** and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

#### A. Future Agenda Topics – Superintendent Gearl Loden

#### April 10, 2018 Board Meeting

- Recognize Transportation and HR Departments
- Approval of Summer Opportunity Camps
- Approval of 2018-2019 AEE Grants
- Approval of Food Service Summer Programs

#### B. Future Agenda Topics - Board Members

No future agenda topics were requested by Board members.

#### C. Executive Session (School Safety Plan and Student Matter)

Mr. Prather suggested that there was a need for consideration of entering into executive session to discuss the district's School Safety Plan and a student matter. Mr. Hudson made a motion that the Board enter temporary Executive Session. Mrs. Davis seconded the motion, and it was adopted unanimously. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed. The room was then cleared.

The temporary Executive Session was called to order with the following people present: Mr. Joe Babb, Mrs. Sherry Davis, Mr. Rob Hudson, Mr. Eddie Prather, Mr. Kenneth Wheeler, Dr. Gearl Loden, Mr. Otis Tims, Ms. Modesty Shumpert, Ms. Patrice Tate, Mr. Terry Hatch, Mr. Andy Cantrell, Mr. Charles Laney, Mrs. Kim Britton, Mr. Terry Sanford and Mr. Jeff Broaddus.. The Board first considered the reason for entering Executive Session. Mr. Prather stated that there was a need to discuss the district's School Safety Plan in addition to a student matter. Upon a motion by Mr. Hudson, with a second by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to remain in Executive Session. The President of the Board declared the motion passed and went out into the hallway to let everyone know that the Board would remain in Executive Session.

Upon Mr. Prather's return and the opening of the Executive Session, Board members engaged in an extensive discussion with administrative staff members and Mr. Jeff Broaddus regarding the District's School Safety Plan. No action was taken during this discussion.

At this point, Mr. Broaddus, Officer Terry Hatch, and Officer Terry Sanford were excused from the Executive Session.

Next, the student matter was discussed and following the discussion Mr. Hudson moved that the Board return to Open Session. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis, and adopted unanimously. Mr. Prather declared the motion adopted and then left the room and announced that the Board was again in Open Session.

#### Open Session – Approval of Rental of School Facility #SFR1828

On a motion by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the contractual agreement regarding rental of a school facility (#SFR1828) which was added to the agenda at the beginning of the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and Mr,. Prather declared the motion passed.

#### D. Re-Enter Executive Session (Personnel Matter) (5:15 P.M.)

Mr. Prather suggested that there was a need for consideration of re-entering into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Mr. Hudson made a motion that the Board enter temporary Executive Session. Mrs. Davis seconded the motion, and it was adopted unanimously. Mr. Prather declared the motion passed. The room was then cleared.

The temporary Executive Session was called to order with the following people present: Mr. Joe Babb, Mrs. Sherry Davis, Mr. Rob Hudson, Mr. Eddie Prather, Mr. Kenneth Wheeler, Ms. Patrice Tate and Mr. Otis Tims. The Board first considered the reason for entering Executive Session. Mr. Prather stated that there was a need to discuss a personnel matter. Thereby, upon a motion by Mr. Hudson, with a second by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted unanimously to remain in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. The President of the Board declared the motion passed and went out into the hallway to let everyone know that the Board would remain in Executive Session.

Upon Mr. Prather's return and the opening of the Executive Session, Board members engaged in an extensive discussion regarding the personnel matter. No action was taken during this discussion.

#### **Return to Open Session**

Mr. Hudson moved that the Board return to Open Session. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis, and adopted unanimously. Mr. Prather declared the motion and then left the room and announced that the Board was again in Open Session. Mr. Prather announced that no action was taken in Executive Session.

#### Note: Student Appeal #27-2-2017-2018

Student Appeal #27-20-2017-2018 was scheduled, however, the parent/student's attorney was delayed in court and the appeal was postponed until the April 10<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Wheeler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Babb seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. Mr. Prather announced the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Eddie Prather, President	Rob Hudson, Secretary
TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
APPROVED:	ATTEST: