

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
WORK SESSION
NOVEMBER 17, 2015**

The Board of Trustees of the Tupelo Public School District convened in a work session of the Board held in open session at 9:00 a.m., November 17, 2015, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Kenneth Wheeler called the meeting to order.

II. 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. Dr. Gearl Loden, Kimberly Britton, Dr. Eddie Peasant, Dr. Diana Ezell, Mr. Andy Cantrell, Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia, and Mrs. Patrice Tate were also present, along with Dr. Michael Waldrop, MSBA Executive Director, and Mr. Jim Keith, MSBA General Counsel.

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

III. STATE PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of November 17, 2015 Work Session was to hear presentations from Dr. Waldrop on the role of School Boards in Mississippi and their relationship with school district administration, as well compensation issues, and to also hear presentations from Attorney Jim Keith regarding new perspectives and recommendations on discipline policies and practices.

IV. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ON SCHOOL BOARDS IN MISSISSIPPI

Dr. Michael Waldrop led a discussion on the roles and responsibilities of the School Board.

V. STUDENT DISCIPLINE Q&A

Attorney Jim Keith led a question and answer session on student discipline and administering policies.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Wheeler entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Prather made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was adopted unanimously, and the meeting stood adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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Kenneth Wheeler, President

Eddie Prather, Secretary