

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOON MEETING MINUTES
May 12, 2009**

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, May 12, 2009, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Clayborne 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: Mr. Mike Clayborne
Mrs. Amy Heyer
Mr. Eddie Prather
Mr. Lee Tucker

Members Absent: Mr. John Nail

Staff Present: Dr. Randy McCoy
Dr. George Noflin
Mr. David Meadows
Mrs. Diana Ezell
Mrs. Linda Pannell
Mr. Jim Turner
Mrs. Julie Hinds
Mrs. Kay Bishop
Ms. Patrice Tate

Mr. Clayborne announced a quorum and stated that the meeting was lawfully in session. Members of the press were also present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda with the following change:

1. The purpose of considering entering Executive Session is to discuss property, personnel and legal matters.

Mr. Clayborne 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. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Prather, the Board voted unanimously to approve minutes from the April 22, 2009 special called meeting and April 28, 2009 regular meetings as presented. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, Mr. Clayborne declared the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Public Comments

No requests for public comments were received for this Board Meeting.

B. Recognitions

No recognitions were held at this meeting of the Board.

COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

A. FY10 Budget Report

Superintendent Randy McCoy briefly discussed the FY10 Budget Worksheet. Dr. McCoy reported that legislators will reconvene on May 26, 2009, and until legislators take action on the FY10 education budget very little progress can be made on the Tupelo Public School District FY10 Budget. Dr. McCoy also announced that a special called board meeting may be needed during the first two weeks of June should decisions be forthcoming from the State in order to expedite the preparation of contracts for TPSD licensed staff.

A copy of the FY10 Budget Report is marked EXHIBIT 2 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Consent Agenda

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

1. Contractual Agreements #CO9039 and #CO9040
2. Donation #2008-2009-944
3. Acceptance of TPSD Grant #912

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker 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

In accordance with Dr. McCoy's recommendations, Mr. Prather moved to ratify the administrative decisions in regard to the following student transfer requests:

- a. Approval of thirty-two (32) resident student transfers (in-district) for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year
- b. Approval of one (1) nonresident student transfer request (in-district) for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year
- c. Approval of five (5) nonresident student transfers (tuition)

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker 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

Mrs. Heyer moved to approve the Personnel Report which included the following items:

- a. Licensed Personnel
- b. Classified Personnel
- c. Request for two (2) part-time summer clerical positions (In the Human Resource Department) with hourly rate based on minimum wage for a total of 80 hours

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker 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. Clayborne 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 April 18 through May 1, 2009, Docket of Claims #73802 through #74365 for Accounts Payable Checks #53655 through #53961 in the amount of \$1,576,966.38.
- Tupelo High School Activity Check Register for April, 2009, Checks #3014 through #3027 in the amount of \$3,127.81

- Athletic Activity Check Register for April, 2009, Checks #3961 through #4023 in the amount of \$6,742.31.

The grand total for all funds is \$1,586,836.50.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker 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.

The Docket of Claims and Check Registers are marked EXHIBIT 6 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

E. Student Discipline Report (Student #99, Student #5791 and Student #5792)

Dr. McCoy recommended ratification of the following student discipline issues as listed below:

1. Expulsion of Student #99 for one calendar year
2. Expulsion of Student #5791 for one calendar year
3. Expulsion of Student #5792 for one calendar year

Mr. Prather moved to ratify the above recommendations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Additional information regarding the abovementioned Student Discipline Report is marked EXHIBIT 7 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Awarding of Advertised Bids #BD573 and #BD574

Superintendent Randy McCoy and Operations Director Julie Hinds recommended that the following bids be awarded to D. Carroll Construction in the amount of \$681,700.00:

#BD573 Carver Renovations
#BD574 Lawhon Renovations
Recommendation: D. Carroll Construction (low bid)
Total Amount: \$681,700.00 (base bid and two alternates)
Funding: District Construction Funds

Board Member Lee Tucker moved to award Bid #BD573 (Carver Renovations) and Bid #BD574 (Lawhon Renovations) to D. Carroll Construction as recommended. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Heyer and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Detailed information regarding Bid #BD573 and Bid #BD574 is marked EXHIBIT 8 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

NEW BUSINESS

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

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A. Future Agenda Items

It was the consensus of the Board to receive information and discuss financials of the Learning Foundation (One D'Ville) at the next board meeting.

B. Executive Session – Personnel Matters

Board President Mike Clayborne suggested to the School Board a temporary executive session to determine the need for a permanent executive session for the purpose of discussing property, legal and personnel matters.

On a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mr. Prather, the Board voted unanimously to enter temporary executive session for the purpose of determining a need for permanent executive session. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously by all members present, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The room was cleared and the temporary executive session was called to order by President Mike Clayborne with the following people present: Mr. Mike Clayborne, Mrs. Amy Heyer, Mr. Eddie Prather, Mr. Lee Tucker, and Dr. Randy McCoy.

The Executive Session was called to order and the Board first considered the reason for entering executive session. Upon a motion by Mrs. Heyer with a second by Mr. Prather the Board voted unanimously to remain in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing property, legal and personnel matters.

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously by all members present, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Mr. Clayborne reopened the meeting to tell all those in attendance the reason for going into Executive Session was to discuss property, legal and personnel matters.

After the Board and Dr. McCoy discussed personnel and legal matters, Dr. Derwood Tutor entered the Executive Session and a discussion was held regarding property matters.

No action was taken during the Executive Session.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Heyer with a second by Mr. Prather, the Board voted unanimously to come out of Executive Session. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously by all members present, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mr. Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The President of the Board declared the motion passed and the meeting in adjournment at 1:50 p.m.

APPROVED:
TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ATTEST:

Mike Clayborne, President

Amy Heyer, Secretary