

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOON MEETING MINUTES
July 28, 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, July 28, 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. John Nail
Mr. Eddie Prather
Mr. Lee Tucker

Staff Present: Dr. Randy Shaver
Mrs. Diana Ezell
Dr. Fred Hill
Dr. George Noflin
Mr. David Meadows
Mrs. Linda Pannell
Mr. Jim Turner
Mrs. Dale Warriner
Mrs. Julie Hinds
Mrs. Kay Bishop
Mrs. Mary Ruth Wright
Dr. Derwood Tutor
Ms. Patrice Tate

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

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. Prather, seconded by Mr. Nail, the Board voted unanimously to approve minutes from the June 16, 2009 special called meeting and June 23, 2009 regular meeting with noted corrections. 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

Finance Director Linda Pannell reviewed the following FY10 Budget reports with the Board in preparation for the 5:00 p.m. FY10 Budget Hearing:

- Quality Education for Tupelo Schools
- What if Reductions Come Again
- Planning for Potential Mid-Year Cuts from State
- Estimated Assessed Values
- City of Tupelo Tax Levy
- Ad Valorem Tax Request Worksheet

Copies of the above reports are marked EXHIBIT 2 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

B. Comcast Channel 9 Monthly Broadcast

Public Relations Officer Kay Bishop reported on a new public relations campaign on local Comcast Channel 9 for Tupelo Public School District parents, students, and citizens of Tupelo. Mrs. Bishop stated that the district will produce a 30-minute show to air twice daily on Comcast Channel 9 from September, 2009 through May, 2010. Each month's broadcast will feature a different school and also include a 10-minute sports program highlighting Tupelo High School athletes. The show will showcase our ten elementary schools along with Tupelo Middle School, Tupelo High School and the district's Pre-K Early Childhood Education Center. Mrs. Bishop explained that sponsorship is \$500 per month and local businesses are being recruited to underwrite the cost of the broadcast with their logo appearing at the bottom of the program as well as appearing throughout the broadcast.

A copy of the above written report is marked EXHIBIT 3 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Consent Agenda

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

1. Contractual Agreements #CO1000 through #CO1015
2. Single Source Purchases #SS100 and #SS101
3. Acceptance of TPSD Grant #913, #914 and #921

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 4 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

B. Student Transfer Report

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

- a. Approval of eight (8) resident student transfers (in-district)
- b. Approval of four (4) nonresident student transfers (in-district)
- c. Denial of one (1) resident student transfer (in-district)
- d. Admission of thirty-nine (39) nonresident student transfers (tuition)
- e. Release of two (2) resident students

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 detailed copy of the Student Transfer Report is marked EXHIBIT 5 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

C. Personnel Recommendations

Upon the recommendation of Finance Director and Superintendent Randy Shaver, Mrs. Heyer moved to approve the Personnel Report which included the following items:

- a. Licensed Personnel
- b. Classified Personnel
- c. Substitutes

The motion was seconded by Mr. Nail and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A detailed copy of the Personnel Report is marked EXHIBIT 6 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 for June 13 through June 30, 2009 and Docket of Claims for July 1 through July 17, 2009

Mr. Nail 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 June 13 through June 30, 2009, Docket of Claims #75828 through #76388 for Accounts Payable Checks #54882 through #55287 in the amount of \$1,269,655.34.
- Tupelo High School Activity Check Register for June, 2009, Checks #3057 through #3059 in the amount of \$2,384.30.
- Athletic Activity Check Register for June, 2009, Check #4042 in the amount of \$100.00. (On the May 2009 register Check #4041 was incorrectly marked as Check #4040).

The grand total for June 13-June 10, 2009 Docket and Check Registers is \$1,272,139.64.

- Docket of Claims for the period July 1 through July 17, 2009, Docket of Claims #76389 through #76482, Accounts Payable Checks #55288 through #55357 in the amount of \$431,054.35.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Prather 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 for June 13-June 20, 2009 are marked EXHIBIT 7 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein. The Docket of Claims for July 1-June 17, 2009 are marked EXHIBIT 8 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

E. Financial Statements for Month-Ending June 30, 2009

Finance Director Linda Pannell submitted the Statement of Income and Expenditures through month-ending June 30, 2009, for consideration of approval. Mrs. Pannell stated that a listing by fund is available for the Board's information.

On a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Nail, the Board voted unanimously to approve the June 30, 2009 Financial Statements as submitted. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A copy of the June 30, 2009 Financial Statements is marked EXHIBIT 9 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

F. Policy Changes

The following recommendations were made regarding Tupelo Public School District policies:

DESCRIPTOR	DESCRIPTOR ITEM	RECOMMENDATION
JKA	Corporal Punishment	Delete
JKA-E	Corporal Punishment	Delete
JICK	Student Threats	Amend
GBAA	Sexual Discrimination and Harassment	Amend
JBAA	Sexual Harassment of Student	Amend
JBAA-R	Sexual Harassment: Investigative Procedures	Amend
JBAA-E	Sexual Harassment: Adult-to-Student Prohibitions	New Policy
IJOA-E1	Field Trips and Excursions: Request Form	Amend
	And Planning Attachments	Amend
IJOA-E2	Field Trips and Excursions: Checklist	Amend
IJOA-E4	Field Trips and Excursions: Parent Permission Form	Amend
IJOA-R	Field Trips and Excursions: Regulations	Amend
JICC	Student Conduct on School Buses	Amend
JICJ	Use of Cell Phone in School	Amend
ID	School Day	Amend
JK-E1	Student Discipline: Elementary	Amend
JK-E2	Student Discipline: Elementary	Amend
IKAA	Tests and Examinations	Amend
JH	Student Absences and Excuses	Amend
IHBA	Special Education Programs/Programs For Handicapped/Disabled Students	Amend
IKF-R	Graduation Requirements/Carnegie Requirements	Amend
JFAA	Admission of Resident Students	Amend

Behavior Incentive Program – Alternative School – adopt as a procedure rather than a School Board Policy

Following an extensive review of the above policies, Mr. Nail moved to adopt new Board Policy Exhibit JBAA-E (Sexual Harassment: Adult-to-Student Prohibitions) thereby suspending the Board's practice of taking new policies under advisement until the next meeting. Mr. Nail further moved to delete Policy JKA and JKA-E (Corporal

Punishment) and to delete Step 6 in Policies JK-E1 and JK-E2 which states that corporal punishment may be administered according to the policies of the district at the administrator's discretion. Mr. Nail's motion approved amendment to the policies listed above.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed. Copies of the above policies are marked EXHIBIT 10 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Revision of BD578 Athletic Supplies Term Bid for 2009-2010 and Awarding of BD575 Classroom and Office Supplies Term Bid for 2009-2010

Dr. Shaver recommended that the following bids be awarded as recommended:

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| #BD578 | Athletic Supplies (Term Bid for 2009-2010)
Bid Award Revision: Due to Riddell offering products that did not meet brand specifications it was recommended that the Board award the following items to Tucker and to Bill Williams (Items #160 and 161 to Tucker and Items #131, 134, 135, 142, 143, 144, 145, 149, 157, 159 and 175 to Bill Williams) |
| #BD575 | Classroom and Office Supplies (Term Bid for 2009-2010)
Recommendation: Award "Per Line Item"
Total Award: Determined by Actual Orders
Funding Source: All district funds |

Mrs. Heyer moved to award Bid #BD578 (revision) and Bid #BD578 as recommended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Prather and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Detailed information regarding Bid #BD578 and Bid #BD576 is marked EXHIBIT 11 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Renewal of Menu Choice Procedure – "Offer vs. Serve" Option for 2009-2010 School Year

Assistant Superintendent George Noflin presented for consideration a recommendation from Food Service Director Lynne Rogers to continue the "Offer vs. Serve" procedure for all school sites in the Tupelo Public School District during the 2009-2010 school year. Dr. Noflin reported that this procedure allows students to choose three to five items for a complete lunch and three to four items for a complete breakfast.

On a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Nail, the Board voted unanimously to approve the “Offer vs. Serve” Option program as recommended.

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed. Additional information regarding the “Offer vs. Serve” program is marked EXHIBIT 12 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

B. Consideration of Resolution for the Issuance of 3 Mill Note

Finance Director Linda Pannell and Superintendent Randy Shaver recommended adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT FINDING THAT ITS RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON JUNE 23, 2009, DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF ISSUING NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF EIGHT MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/10 DOLLARS (\$8,750,00.00) TO PAY THE COSTS DESCRIBED THEREIN WAS DULY PUBLISHED AS REQUIRED BY LAW AND THAT NO PETITION REQUESTING AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF INCURRING SAID INDEBTEDNESS WAS FILED; APPROVING THE BORROWING OF SAID MONEY; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SAID NOTES; AND STATING ITS INTENTION TO TAKE FURTHER ACTION REGARDING THE NOTES AT A LATER DATE.

On a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mr. Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the above Resolution as recommended.

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed. A copy of the above Resolution is marked EXHIBIT 13 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A. Future Agenda Items

Board Member Eddie Prather stated that he would like to hear a report on the district’s Dropout Prevention Plan (TPSD dropout statistics, programs currently in place, and new strategies for the 2009-2010 school year).

B. Board Liaisons for 2009-2010 School Year

On a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mr. Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommended School Board Liaisons for School Year 2009-2010 as submitted. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously by all members present, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

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A copy of the 2009-2010 Board Liaisons for the 2009-2010 School Year is marked EXHIBIT 14 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The President of the Board declared the motion passed and the meeting in adjournment at 1:40 p.m.

APPROVED:
TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ATTEST:

Mike Clayborne, President

Amy Heyer, Secretary