

**Regular Meeting
January 14, 2025**

The meeting was called to order by President Tolesia Smith-Davis at 6:00 p.m.

Members present were Jason Bonner, Michael Williams, Leah Cooper, Tolesia Smith-Davis, Joey Romano, and Kirstin Johnson. Rusty Mauldin was absent.

District personnel present: Michael Walker, Mike Wood, Mandy Martinez, Courtney Nelson, Tramane Nelson, Renee Pierce, Paul Cothren, Loretta Cothren, Michael Baysinger, and Rebecca Pearl. Others present included Michael Hallum, Hugh Lewis, and several friends and family of junior high and elementary students.

Ms. Johnson gave the invocation.

Ms. Smith-Davis led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Two audience members had signed up for public comment. The first was Frieda Grammer. Ms. Grammer was upset with how the elementary awards ceremony was carried out earlier in the day. Mr. Walker thanked her for coming and making the board aware of the situation. The next audience member was Hugh Lewis who invited the board to the city council zoning meetings that will be happening over the next few weeks. He also invited the board to the MCDCCO Martin Luther King Jr. banquet dinner.

For the reports section, Mr. Walker invited Mr. Michael Baysinger to introduce elementary students of the month, Jody Roller, Ryker Kong, Zia Greene, Korbyn Barnes, Wesley Morris, Bristol Neuville, Rylee Morris, Owen Rolseth and Kalev Marquez. Mr. Baysinger then introduced the staff of the month, Courtney Nelson, Renee Pierce, and Shelly Feltner. Mr. Paul Cothren was then invited to speak about the archery program at the junior high school. Three of his students then spoke to the board about what they like about archery and things they have learned. This concluded the reports section.

Mike Hallum, of Knuckols, Duvall, Hallum, & Co. (District Auditors), gave the annual audit report. Mr. Hallum stated the district's books were in very good shape and that Mike Wood and his business office staff should be commended for doing a great job with the district's finances. Mr. Hallum referred to several different pages in the report in order to point out the important parts of the audit results. Motion by Mr. Bonner, seconded by Mr. Williams, to approve the district audit, as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

Mr. Romano made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included previous meeting minutes. Motion was duly seconded by Ms. Cooper. Motion carried, 6-0.

The Board entered into executive session at 6:29 pm to discuss the Superintendent's performance evaluation and employment contract as well as other personnel needs.

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:09 pm.

Mr. Bonner made a motion to approve a 4-year employment contract subject to review in January 2028 for Superintendent Michael Walker. Motion duly seconded by Ms. Johnson, motion carried 6-0.

Due to no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

President's Signature

Secretary's Signature