

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
December 14, 2010**

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, December 14, 2010, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi.

CALL TO ORDER

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

Members Absent: Mr. John Nail

Staff Present:

Dr. Randy Shaver	Mrs. Jennifer Strunk
Mrs. Diana Ezell	Mrs. Kay Bishop
Dr. Fred Hill	Mrs. Marissa Martin
Mrs. Linda Pannell	Ms. Patrice Tate
Mr. David Meadows	Mrs. Mary Ruth Wright
Mrs. Julie Hinds	Mrs. Pamela Traylor
Mrs. Glenda Scott	Mr. Danny Porter
Mrs. Dale Warriner	Dr. Derwood Tutor
Mr. Jim Turner	Mr. Kenneth Roberts
Mrs. Joan Dozier	Mr. Terry Harbin
Mr. Larry Harmon	Mr. Lee Stratton
Mrs. Kelly Stimpson (via iChat)	Mr. Travis Beard

Mr. Tucker announced a quorum and stated that the meeting was lawfully in session. Several members of the press were present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to approve the agenda with the following additions:

1. Add under Item IX. New Business, Section D. Consideration to Approve High School Redesign Pilot Program (THS Board Examination System)
2. Addendum to Personnel Report (VII. Superintendent's Report, Section C.)

Mr. Tucker 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 Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2010, noon and 5:00 p.m. regular meetings, November 4, 2010, special called meeting and November 9, 2010, noon and 5:00 p.m. regular meetings as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Public Comments

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

B. Recognitions – Superintendent Choice Awards

Superintendent Randy Shaver presented the following Superintendent Choice Awards:

1. Principal Joan Dozier, Parkway
2. Teacher Clint Newsom, Parkway Elementary
3. Ms. Ann Britt, Parkway Elementary PTO Representative

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

A. High School Redesign Pilot Program (Board Examination System)

Superintendent Randy Shaver, Mississippi Department of Education Board Member Claude Hartley, Tupelo High School Principal Lee Stratton, and the chairs of the English, science, social studies and math departments presented information on the proposed High School Redesign Pilot Program.

B. iCORE Presentation

District elementary and secondary teachers presented additional information regarding iCORE (Curriculum Online Resources for Educators) which is an online tool for teachers.

C. TPSD Gifted Program Annual Report

Deputy Superintendent Diana Ezell presented the district's Gifted Program Annual Report. This report was submitted to comply with the Mississippi Department of Education's suggestion that annual reports be presented to the Board of Trustees regarding the district's Gifted Program. A copy of the TPSD Gifted Program Annual Report is marked EXHIBIT 2 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

D. Statement of Cash Flow for Month Ending October 31, 2010

Finance Director Linda Pannell submitted the Statement of Cash Flow for month ending October 31, 2010, for information and review. A copy of the Statement of Cash Flow for month ending October 31, 2010, 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, Mrs. Heyer moved to approve and ratify the Consent Agenda as listed below:

1. Single Source Purchases #141, #142, and #143
2. Donations #2010-2011-31 through #2010-2011-37
3. Granted Permission to Accept TPSD Grants #1112, #1113, and #1114
4. Awarded Advertised Request for Proposal #RFP1100 THS Yearbook
5. Granted Permission to Advertise for Sealed Bids #BD1101
6. Granted Permission to Purchase Dodge Grand Caravan (17 passenger mini van)
7. Authorized the Removal of 17 Assets from the TPSD Asset Inventory

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stone 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

Mrs. Stone moved to ratify the administrative decisions in regards to the following student transfer requests:

- a. Approval of two (2) resident student transfer requests (in-district).
- b. Approval of two (2) resident student transfer request (in-district) for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year
- c. Admission of one (1) non-resident student transfer (in-district) for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year
- d. Admission of two (2) non-resident students (tuition)

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Heyer 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

Mr. Prather moved to approve the Personnel Report which included the following items:

- a. Licensed Personnel
- b. Addendum (Licensed Personnel)

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stone and was approved unanimously by all members present. 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 for November 1 through December 3, 2010, and Tupelo High School Activity Check Register and Athletic Activity Check Register for October, 2010

Mrs. Heyer 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 November 1 through December 3, 2010, Docket of Claims #88504 through #89418 for Accounts Payable Checks #62898 through #63473 in the amount of \$1,437,981.38.
- Tupelo High School Activity Check Register for October, 2010, Checks #3243 through #3273 in the amount of \$7,863.21.
- Athletic Activity Check Register for October, 2010, Checks #4588 through #4640 in the amount of \$5,034.50.

The grand total for all funds is \$1,450,879.09.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Prather and approved unanimously by all members present. Mr. Tucker 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 October are marked EXHIBIT 7 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

E. Financial Statements for Month Ending October 31, 2010

Finance Director Linda Pannell submitted the Statement of Income and Expenditures through month ending October 31, 2010, for consideration of approval. Mrs. Pannell stated that a listing by fund is available for the Board's information.

On a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to approve the October 31, 2010 Financial Statements as submitted. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The Financial Statement Report is marked EXHIBIT 8 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

F. Student Discipline Report

Mr. Prather moved to ratify the administrative recommendation to readmit Student #7 with initial placement in the district's Alternative School.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stone and was approved unanimously by all members present. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

The Student Discipline Report is marked EXHIBIT 9 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Single Source Purchase #140 – Educational Tools, Inc. (iCORE)

Single Source Purchase #140 – Educational Tools, Inc. was tabled at the November 9, 2010, regular meeting. Following the recommendation of Superintendent Randy Shaver, Mrs. Stone moved to approve Single Source Purchase #140 – Educational Tools, Inc. in the amount of \$77,870.00 to purchase iCORE Math and Science for 13 sites.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Heyer and was approved unanimously by all members present. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Additional information regarding Single Source #140 – Educational Tools, Inc. (iCORE) is marked EXHIBIT 10 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Certificate of Substantial Completion for Church Street Elementary School Window Restoration Project

On a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Church Street

Elementary School Window Restoration Project (Pryor & Morrow Architects) with Century Construction and Realty, Inc. as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A copy of the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Church Street Elementary School Window Restoration Project is marked EXHIBIT 11 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

B. Certificate of Substantial Completion for Tupelo High School Miscellaneous Renovations Project

On a motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Tupelo High School Miscellaneous Renovations Project (JBHM Architects, P.A.) with JESCO, Inc. as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A copy of the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Tupelo High School Miscellaneous Renovations Project is marked EXHIBIT 12 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

C. Proposed Schedule of 2011 Regular School Board Meetings

Following discussion, on a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to approve the proposed schedule of 2011 Regular School Board Meetings with one adjustment (change Tuesday, April 12, 2011, to Thursday, April 14, 2011). The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A copy of the Scheduled 2011 Regular School Board Meetings is marked EXHIBIT 13 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

D. Consideration of Approval of High School Redesign Pilot Program (High School Board Examination System)

Superintendent Randy Shaver recommended approval to pilot the High School Redesign Program at Tupelo High School beginning with the 2011-2012 school year. On a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to approve the proposed High School Redesign Pilot Program (High School Board Examination System) as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A. Executive Session – Student Matters

Board President Lee Tucker suggested to the School Board an executive session for the purpose of discussing student matters.

On a motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Prather, the Board voted unanimously to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing student matters. 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 executive session was called to order by Mr. Tucker with the following people present: Mrs. Amy Heyer, Mr. Eddie Prather, Mrs. Beth Stone, Mr. Lee Tucker, Dr. Randy Shaver, Mrs. Diana Ezell, Mr. Billy Crews, and Ms. Patrice Tate.

Mr. Tucker reopened the meeting to tell all those in attendance the reason for going into Executive Session was to discuss student matters.

No action was taken during the Executive Session.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Stone, 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.

B. Future Agenda Topics

No Future Agenda Topics were requested.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mrs. Stone, 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 3:15 p.m. After a brief recess, the Board entered into a Learning Foundation Board Meeting.

APPROVED:
TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
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ATTEST:

Lee Tucker, President

Eddie Prather, Secretary