

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2012**

The Board of Trustees of the Tupelo Public School District convened in a special called meeting of the Board held in open session at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2012, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Amy Heyer called the meeting to order and welcome attendees.

II. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

The following School Board members were present during roll call:

Members Present: Mrs. Amy Heyer
Mr. Rob Hudson
Mr. Eddie Prather
Mrs. Beth Stone
Mr. Lee Tucker

Board Attorney Otis Tims of Mitchell, McNutt and Sams was also present. Also in attendance were Dr. Michael Waldrop and Dr. Harold Fisher from the Mississippi School Boards Association Superintendent Service.

Board President Amy Heyer announced a quorum and stated that the Special Called meeting was called pursuant to Mississippi Open Meeting Law (MS Code Sections 25-41-1 through 25-41-17).

III. Superintendent Search

Mrs. Heyer made preliminary remarks regarding the superintendent search and introduced Dr. Waldrop and Dr. Fisher. Dr. Waldrop made brief comments about the superintendent search.

Noting that the topic of the meeting involved sensitive and confidential personnel matters, Mrs. Heyer suggested to the School Board the need for a temporary executive session to determine the need for a permanent executive session.

On a motion by Mr. Prather, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously to enter temporary executive session for the purpose of determining a need for permanent executive session. The room was cleared, leaving the following persons present: Mrs. Amy Heyer, Mr. Rob Hudson, Mr. Eddie Prather, Mr. Lee Tucker, Mr. Otis Tims, Dr. Harold Fisher, and Dr. Michael Waldrop.

Mrs. Heyer called the temporary executive session to order and the Board first considered the reason for entering executive session. Upon a motion by Mr. Prather with a second by

Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously to remain in executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

Ms. Heyer announced to those outside the meeting that the Board had voted unanimously to go into executive session.

Mrs. Heyer called the executive session to order. No action was taken in executive session. Mr. Prather moved to come out of executive session. Mrs. Stone seconded the motion and upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried unanimously, the President of the Board declared the motion passed and the Board in open session.

Following the executive session, the public meeting resumed and Mrs. Heyer announced that the Board had met in executive session to consider the personnel matter of employing a new superintendent of schools. She stated that no action was taken by the Board in executive session.

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mr. Prather made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Stone seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously, and the Board stood adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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Arlissa Heyer, President

Elizabeth Stone, Secretary