

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
APRIL 22, 2009**

The Board of Trustees of the Tupelo Public School District convened in a duly called special meeting of the Board held in open session at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 2009, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice-President Lee Tucker.

II. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

The following School Board members were present during roll call:

Members Present: Mrs. Amy Heyer
 Mr. John Nail
 Mr. Eddie Prather
 Mr. Lee Tucker

Members Absent: Mr. Mike Clayborne

Staff Present: Dr. Randy McCoy
 Mr. David Meadows
 Dr. George Noflin
 Mrs. Diana Ezell
 Mrs. Linda Pannell
 Dr. Derwood Tutor
 Mrs. Kay Bishop
 Mrs. Jennifer Strunk
 Ms. Patrice Tate

TPSD Administrators were also present in addition to members of the press. Mr. Tucker announced a quorum and stated that the purpose of the special meeting is to hear an Oral Exit Report from the Quality Assurance Review (QAR) Team representing the AdvancED/Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) concerning their onsite visit in the Tupelo Public School District on April 19-22, 2009.

III. ORAL EXIT REPORT

Dr. Patricia Golding, Chair of the Quality Assurance Review (QAR) Team, expressed appreciation for hosting the AdvancED District Accreditation Quality Assurance Review team. Dr. Golding extended special thanks to those at the central office and school levels who helped provide the needed information for assisting the team in the making the best professional decisions regarding the school district.

Dr. Golding advised that a written report will be received approximately one month after the visit, however, indicated that the Tupelo Public School District will be recommended for accreditation using the district-wide accreditation method. Dr. Golding stated that the recommendation will be at the highest level. The district rated highly functional on the seven standards set by AdvancED. The review team did make three recommendations that the district will seek to implement improvements as part of its two-year progress report for the five-year accreditation.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this meeting of the Board of Trustees, it was moved by Mr. Nail and duly seconded by Mr. Heyer that the Board adjourn. Mr. Tucker declared the meeting in adjournment at 3:38 pm.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Mike Clayborne, President

Arlissa Heyer, Secretary