

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOON MEETING MINUTES  
October 25, 2011**

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, October 25, 2011, at the Hancock Leadership Center, 1920 Briar Ridge, Tupelo, Mississippi.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Amy Heyer 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. Rob Hudson  
Mrs. Beth Stone  
Mr. Lee Tucker

Members Absent: Mr. Eddie Prather

Staff Present:	Mr. David Meadows	Ms. Rachel Murphree
	Mrs. Diana Ezell	Mrs. Julie Connolly
	Dr. Fred Hill	Ms. Glenda Scott
	Mrs. Kay Bishop	Dr. Derwood Tutor
	Ms. Lea Johnson	Ms. Patrice Tate
	Mrs. Marisa Martin	Mr. Jim Turner
	Mrs. Linda Pannell	Mrs. Dale Warriner
	Mrs. Pamela Traylor	

Mrs. Heyer announced a quorum and stated that the meeting was lawfully in session. School Board Attorney Otis Tims was also present. Members of the press were also present.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

On a motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Hudson, the Board voted unanimously by all members present to confirm the agenda, amended as follows:

ADD: Addendum to Section VII. Superintendent's Report, Item A. Consent Agenda Contractual Agreements – consider adding one Charter Bus Service Contract #BC11-12-004 (Tupelo High School Swim Team to the state championship in Cleveland, Mississippi on October 28-29, 2011), Corinth Charters & Tours, one 47-passenger bus @ \$1,400.00 (paid by Booster Club).

## **REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

The minutes of the September 26, 2011, Special Called meeting and October 11, 2011, regular meeting were presented by Board Clerk Patrice Tate for consideration for approval. One change on the September 26<sup>th</sup> Special Called meeting was noted by Board Member Beth Stone.

## **COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD**

No “Communication” reports were scheduled for the October 25, 2011 regular meeting.

## **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

### **A. Consent Agenda**

The following Consent Agenda items were presented by Interim Superintendent David Meadows for discussion:

1. Contract for Rental of School Facilities #SFR1206 through #SFR1215  
Charter Bus Service Contracts #BC11-12-003 and #BC11-12-004
2. Granted Permission to Apply for TPSD Grant #1204
3. Granted Permission to Remove 34 Assets from the TPSD Capital Assets Listing

### **B. Student Transfer Report**

Mrs. Pamela Traylor, Director of Support Services, presented for review the following in-district transfers:

- Approval of two (2) resident student transfers (in-district)
- Approval of one (1) resident student transfer (in-district for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year)
- Approval of admission of four (4) non-resident students (tuition)

### **C. Personnel Recommendations**

Interim Superintendent David Meadows and Human Resource Director Jim Turner presented Licensed Staff recommendations. Mr. Turner also updated the Board regarding 2011-2012 TPSD Staffing.

### **D. Docket of Claims**

Mr. Tucker 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 September 30 through October 14, 2011, Docket of Claims #96538 through #96888, Accounts Payable Checks #67754 through #67977 in the amount of \$638,891.45.
- Tupelo High School Activity Check Register for September, 2011, Checks #3403 through #3417 in the amount of \$1,875.62.
- Athletic Activity Check Register for September, 2011, Checks #5004 through #5071 in the amount of \$5,617.39.

The grand total for all funds is \$646,384.46.

#### **E. TPSD Policies GCRD Tutoring for Pay and GBEA Staff Conflict of Interest**

Mr. Meadows recommended that no action be taken on TPSD Policies GCRD Tutoring for Pay and GBEA Staff Conflict of Interest. Mr. Meadows stated that the administrative staff will continue to review and study these policies to ensure compliance with the Mississippi Educator Code of Ethics Standards of Conduct before a final recommendation is presented to the Board of Trustees.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No Unfinished Business items were presented at this meeting of the Board.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. Change Order Number Five (5), Tupelo High School Additions and Renovations Phase II Project, Century Construction Company**

In Mrs. Hind's absence, Dr. Fred Hill presented information regarding Change Order Number Five (5), Tupelo High School Additions and Renovations Phase II Project, Century Construction Company.

##### **B. Thomas Street Elementary School Sign**

Dr. Hill also provided information regarding a proposed new sign at Thomas Street Elementary School.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

##### **A. Future Agenda Topics**

Board Member Lee Tucker requested an update on the added support being provided for extra-curricular activities.

**B. Superintendent Search**

In Mr. Prather's absence, Board Member Beth Stone led a discussion regarding the timeline, criteria and information to be included in the superintendent search pamphlet.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The President of the Board declared the motion passed and the meeting in adjournment at 12:37 p.m.

APPROVED:  
TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Arlissa C. Heyer, President

ATTEST:

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Elizabeth Stone, Secretary