

**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES 5:00 PM MEETING MINUTES
January 27, 2009**

The Board of Trustees of the Tupelo Public School District convened in a regular meeting of the Board held in open session at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, at Lawndale Elementary School, 1563 Mitchell Road, Tupelo, Mississippi.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Shawn Brevard who welcomed guests attending the meeting. Mrs. Brevard also welcomed Dr. Randy Shaver who was in attendance.

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

The following School Board members were present during roll call:

Members Present: Mrs. Shawn Brevard
 Mr. Mike Clayborne
 Mrs. Amy Heyer
 Mr. John Nail
 Mr. Lee Tucker

Staff Present: Dr. Randy McCoy
 Mrs. Diana Ezell
 Dr. George Noflin
 Mr. Jim Turner
 Mrs. Linda Pannell
 Mrs. Kay Bishop
 Mrs. Jennifer Strunk
 Ms. Patrice Tate

Mrs. Brevard announced a quorum and stated that the meeting was lawfully in session.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mr. Clayborne, seconded by Mrs. Heyer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

Mrs. Brevard 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 Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mr. Nail, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2009, regular meeting as presented. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

WELCOME, PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Welcome

Principal Terry Harbin welcomed the Board of Trustees and administrative staff to Lawndale Elementary School.

B. Public Comments

No requests for Public Comments were received at this meeting of the Board.

C. Recognitions

The following recognitions were held at this meeting of the Board:

1. Representatives from the Mississippi Construction Education Foundation presented an award to the Tupelo High School Career and Technical Center. The award is a designation through the National Center for Construction Education and Research that accredits the Metal Trades and Construction Occupational programs as "Accredited Training and Education Facilities. "
2. TPSD Food Service State Winners at the Mississippi School Nutritional Association Convention were recognized as follows:
 - a. Kathy Johnansen received a First Place Award for her entry in the school lunch tray contest and also earned a Third Place Award for her entry in the story board contest.
 - b. Christina Klag received a Second Place Award for her entry in the story board contest.
3. The following TPSD Teachers of the Year for 2009 were recognized:

Carver	Pam McAlilly
Church St.	Dr. Linda Buchanan
ECEC	Amanda Young
Fillmore	Toni Bew
Joyner	Mary Harrell
Lawhon	Sharronda Evans
Lawndale	Tosha Denise Armstrong
Milam	Sarah Brown

Parkway	Jennifer Matthews
Pierce St.	Leslie VanBuskirk
Rankin	Alicia Goddard
Thomas St.	Carolyn Martin
TMS	Connie Gusmus
THS	Donna Ivy

4. Carver Elementary Teacher Pam McAlilly was named the Tupelo Public School District 2009 Teacher of the Year
5. The Tupelo High School Boys' and Girls' Cross Country Championship Teams were honored.

COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

A. City of Tupelo Long Range Plan

At the noon meeting Mr. Pat Falkner, Director of Planning and Development, City of Tupelo, updated the Board on the City of Tupelo's "The 2025 Comprehensive Plan" for planning and development and discussed the plan's potential impact on the Tupelo Public School District.

B. Update on Reorganization Construction/Renovation

At the noon meeting Mrs. Julie Hinds gave a brief update on reorganizational items currently under consideration, the status of the new additions, and renovation projects for Summer 2009. At the 5:00 p.m. session, Superintendent Randy McCoy summarized the report for the benefit of those not present at the noon meeting. A copy of the Reorganization Construction/Renovation Update Report is marked EXHIBIT 2 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

C. Progress Report – Interventionists Grades K-6

Assistant Superintendent Diana Ezell presented a progress report on the TPSD Interventionists Grades K-6 Program to the Board at the noon briefing session. Mrs. Ezell reported on the number of students served in the program and responsibilities of the interventionists. Mrs. Ezell also reported on the number of students evaluated for special services. At the 5:00 p.m. session, Superintendent Randy McCoy summarized the report for the benefit of those not present at the noon meeting. A copy of the Interventionists Grades K-6 Progress Report is marked EXHIBIT 3 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

D. TPSD 2009-2010 School Calendar

At the noon meeting Superintendent Randy McCoy reported on comments received from teachers and parents regarding the two proposed drafts of the TPSD 2009-2010 School Calendar. Dr. McCoy stated that the administrative staff will continue to solicit input on the two draft calendars and also closely study the timeline for the 2009-2010 school year reorganization plans. At the 5:00 p.m. session, Superintendent Randy McCoy summarized the report for the benefit of those not present at the noon meeting.

E. FY09 Budget Reductions

At the noon meeting Dr. Randy McCoy stated that on Wednesday, January 21, 2009, he and Finance Director Linda Pannell attended a meeting in Jackson with State Superintendent Hank Bounds where information was shared regarding FY09 Budget cuts. Dr. McCoy reported that he and Mrs. Pannell and other administrative staff members are working hard to determine a course of action to reduce the district's current FY09 Budget and have also begun to look toward FY10 regarding possible budget reductions. At the 5:00 p.m. session, Superintendent Randy McCoy summarized the report for the benefit of those not present at the noon meeting. Information regarding FY09 Budget Reductions is marked EXHIBIT 4 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Consent Agenda

In accordance with Dr. McCoy's recommendations, Mr. Nail moved to approve and ratify the Consent Agenda as listed below:

1. Contractual Agreement #CO9033
Contracts for Charter Bus Service #BC08-12 and #BC08-13
Contracts for Rental of School Facility #SFR921 and #SFR922
3. Accepted TPSD Grant #910
Grant Source: Lowe's
Grant Site: Rankin Elementary School
Grant Title: Rankin Commons
Grant Amount: \$5,000.00

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker 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 5 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

B. Student Transfer Report

In accordance with Dr. McCoy's recommendations, Mr. Clayborne moved to ratify the administrative decisions in regard to the following student transfer requests:

1. Approval of five (5) nonresident student transfers (tuition)

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Heyer and was approved unanimously by all members present.

A detailed copy of the Student Transfer Report is marked EXHIBIT 6 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

C. Personnel Recommendations

Mrs. Heyer moved to approve the Personnel Report which included the following items:

- a. Licensed Personnel
- b. Classified Personnel

The motion was seconded by Mr. Tucker and was approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A detailed copy of the Personnel Report is marked EXHIBIT 7 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

D. Docket of Claims

Mr. Tucker reviewed the Docket of Claims for the period January 1 through January 16, 2009, Docket of Claims #70721 through #71177 for Accounts Payable Checks #51628 through #51909 in the amount of \$751,245.47.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Clayborne and approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

This affirms that the claims 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 is marked EXHIBIT 8 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

E. December 31, 2008 Financial Statements

Finance Director Linda Pannell submitted the Statement of Income and Expenditures through month-ending December 31, 2008, for consideration of approval. Mrs. Pannell stated that a listing by fund is available for the Board's information.

On a motion by Mr. Nail, seconded by Mr. Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the December 31, 2008 Financial Statements as submitted. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A copy of the August 31, 2008 Financial Statements is marked EXHIBIT 7 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Issuance of a Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note on the Tupelo Public School District

At the noon meeting Superintendent Randy McCoy and Finance Director Linda Pannell presented for review and consideration for adoption the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ISSUANCE
OF A TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE OF THE TUPELO
PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Mrs. Pannell reported that Trustmark National Bank, Tupelo, Mississippi, submitted the best bid for the note in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 at 2.73%.

At the 5:00 p.m. session, Superintendent Randy McCoy summarized the report for the benefit of those not present at the noon meeting.

Mr. Clayborne offered and moved the adoption of the above Resolution awarding the \$1,000,000.00 Note to Trustmark National Bank, Tupelo, Mississippi. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nail and approved unanimously. The President of the Board declared the motion passed.

A copy of the above Resolution is marked EXHIBIT10 and held in the Exhibit Book of this meeting date and incorporated herein.

NEW BUSINESS

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

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A. Executive Session

An Executive Session was held during the noon meeting to discuss a student matter.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mrs. Heyer, seconded by Mr. Tucker, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The President of the Board declared the motion passed and the meeting in adjournment at 5:35 p.m.

APPROVED:
TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ATTEST:

Shawn Brevard, President

Lee Tucker, Secretary