

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
**SOUTH TIPPAAH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Oscar Shannon Building

June 8, 2022

5:15 P.M.

Members Present: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Tony Elliott, Superintendent; Price Elliott, Board Attorney; Tonya Kuhl, Business Manager; Judd Chapman & Karrie Beth Kent

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Wayne Jumper and commenced as an open meeting. The Invocation was led by Wayne Jumper. Tony Elliott led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Kerry Cockrell read the South Tippah School District Vision Statement and Mission Statement.

The June 8, 2022 South Tippah School District Meeting Agenda was approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell, seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

There was no action required on Agenda Item 6: Public Comments.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to accept The Ripley Insurance proposal for Property & General Liability without student coverage as presented by Judd Chapman. Forms will be sent home for parents to sign that they will be responsible for their child's accident. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

The May 17, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and May 17, 2022 Executive Session of the Regular Meeting Minutes were approved on a motion by Arnold Witt and seconded by Tim

Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Ripley Middle School Improvement Report presented by Superintendent Elliott. The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Disposal of Fixed Assets

Disposal Amount of \$260,104.59

Summary Statement of Fixed Assets

Additions of \$777,647.56

Fund Raisers

Pine Grove School

Volleyball, Donations, May 2022

Ripley High School

Volleyball, Ad Sales, June 2022

Field Trips

Ripley High School

Volleyball, Camp/Ole Miss, July 2022

Additions to the Summer Worker List:

District

Tiffany Gates @ \$10/hour

Bailey Kennedy @ \$10/hour

Teena Simpson @ \$10/hour

Amy Johnson @ \$10/hour

Samantha Walton @ \$10/hour

Katie Graves, Speech Therapist @ \$26.45/hour

Suzette Haynes, Speech Therapist @ \$38.32/hour

Melissa Willingham, Speech Therapist @ \$28.12/hour

Jayna McBride, Speech Therapist @ \$35.62/hour

Bus Shop

Mallory Bullock @ \$10/hour  
Nick Shappley @ \$10/hour  
Micah Johnston @ \$10/hour

Tippah Career & Technology Center

Bill McCain, Skills Camp Instructor @ \$22/hour  
Dana Chapman, Skills Camp Instructor @ \$22/hour  
Chris Colucci, Skills Camp Instructor @ \$22/hour  
Matt Graves, Skills Camp Instructor @ \$22/hour

Additions to the Summer Academy List:

Elizabeth Elliott, Teacher @ \$30/hour  
Rita Smith, Teacher @ \$30/hour  
Raiford Bullock, Bus Driver @ \$22/route  
Jase Stroupe, Bus Driver @ \$22/route  
Molly Palmer, Bus Driver @ \$22/route  
Nathan Wooley, Bus Driver @ \$22/route  
Chris Robbins, Bus Driver @ \$22/route

Request for Release

Hunter Kuhl	Nettleton City
Hayden Kuhl	Nettleton City

Request for Transfer

Keegan Horton	North Tippah
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Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Superintendent's Report as presented by Superintendent Tony Elliott. The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

The Claims Docket, claims #94051 - #94281, was approved on a motion by Arnold Witt and seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim

Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

The Financial Statements were approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell and seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the Budget Amendments for FY21-22. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion to accept the resignations from the following licensed personnel: Susan Rainey, Ripley Elementary School; Lori Elliott, Ripley Elementary School; Marc Fortner, Ripley Elementary School & Ben Knight, Blue Mountain School. Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to employ the following licensed personnel for SY22-23:

Blue Mountain School

Holly Nance, Teacher  
Audri Russell, Teacher  
Robert Lovett, Teacher

Pine Grove School

Justin Jordan, Teacher/Coach  
Chris Shinall, Assistant Principal  
Paris Moreland, Teacher  
Taylor Elzy, Teacher (pending licensure)  
Donnita Ginn, Teacher

Ripley Elementary School

Kylie Henry, Teacher (pending licensure)  
Kellie Kimery, Teacher  
Chris Moore, Assistant Principal

Dena Nance, Teacher  
Mandy Caviness, Teacher

Ripley High School

Brooke Lindsey, Teacher  
Brady Dancer, Teacher/Coach

Ripley Middle School

Caleb Smith, Teacher/Coach  
Sherry Pfahler, Teacher  
Olivia Chapman, Teacher

The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion to employ the following non-licensed personnel for SY22-23:

Pine Grove School

Courtney Akins, Full-time Substitute

Ripley High School

Jason Harrison, Assistant Football Coach

Ripley Middle School

Kenya Wilson, Teacher Assistant

Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to approve the student handbook revisions for SY22-23. The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion approve the athletic handbook revisions for SY22-23. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not

voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the personnel handbook revisions for SY22-23. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to accept the Gifted Report for SY21-22. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Instructional Management Plan for SY22-23. Tim Clark seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Homeless and Unaccompanied Youth Policy. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District English Learner, Immigrant and Migrant Policy and Plan. The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Parent and Family Engagement Plan. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District

Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care Plan for SY22-23. Tim Clark seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Private School Equitable Services Policy and Plan. Kevin Barefield seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Rental Agreement with Pitney Bowes for 48 months beginning September 30, 2022. The motion was seconded by Kerry Cockrell. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Independent Contracting Agreement for Occupational Therapy Services with David Pryce-Jones for SY22-23. Kevin Barefield seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between MS Department of Rehabilitation Services, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and Vocational Rehabilitation for the Blind and South Tippah School District for SY22-23. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Independent Contract Agreement between South Tippah School District and Victoria Strahan, School Psychologist for SY22-23. Kevin Barefield seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District contract for Specified Services with Buse Education Services for SY22-23. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Contract for Specified Services with Vance Smith for SY22-23. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion to approve the New Albany/South Tippah/Union County Alternative Education Agreement for 2022-2023. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Return to School Plan for 2022-2023. The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the revision to the South Tippah School District Maintenance Salary Schedule for FY22-23. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the final adoption of Board Policy DJI: Use of District Credit Cards. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to approve the final adoption of Board Policy FGDB: Project Administration Contract Awards Procedure. Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin



Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the revisions to the following board policies: GBEN & GBI. The motion was seconded by Kerry Cockrell. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Board Policy Review of Section G: Personnel (GBAAB-GBR-P). Kevin Barefield seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the discussion of School Safety Procedures. Kevin Barefield seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to move the Budget Adoption for FY22-23 to August on the Annual Agenda Calendar. Tim Clark seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

There being no further action to come before the Board, Chairman Jumper entertained a motion to adjourn. On a motion by Arnold Witt, seconded by Kerry Cockrell, and unanimously approved by the affirmative vote of all Board Members present: Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield, the Board adjourned until the next regular meeting of the South Tippah School District Board to be held at 5:15 o'clock p.m., on the 19th day of July 2022, at the Oscar Shannon Building, at 410 Greenlee Street, Ripley, Mississippi.

ORDERED, ADOPTED, and RESOLVED, this the 8th day of June 2022.

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Chairman, South Tippah School Board

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Secretary, South Tippah School Board