

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

Oscar Shannon Building

July 19, 2022

5:15 P.M.

Members Present: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield (via zoom)

Members Absent: Tim Clark

Others Present: Tony Elliott, Superintendent; Price Elliott, Board Attorney; Ruby Bennett, Assistant Superintendent; Tonya Kuhl, Business Manager; Kelly Gates, Federal Programs/Curriculum Director

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. Ruby Bennett read the South Tippah School District Vision Statement and Mission Statement.

The July 19, 2022 South Tippah School District Meeting Agenda was approved on a motion by Arnold Witt, seconded by Kerry Cockrell. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: Tim Clark.

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

The June 8, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and June 29, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes were approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell and seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: Tim Clark.

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

Donations

Pine Grove School

Parent, \$20 for Archery Team

Emilee Young, \$800 for Volleyball Jerseys

Ripley High School

Band Boosters, \$3,156.47

Fund Raisers

Ripley High School

Band, Chicken Supper, August 19, 2022

Softball, sell chances on custom glove, August 2022

Field Trips

Ripley High School

Band, Memphis/Drum Corp Competition, July 16, 2022

Band, Orlando, FL, March 9-13, 2023

Request for Release from South Tippah

Easton Gates	North Tippah
Everly Gates	North Tippah
Ellie Childs	New Albany City
Cadence Rolison	North Tippah
Molly-Kate Rolison	North Tippah
Landon Ketchum	North Tippah
Mallory Ketchum	North Tippah
John Aydon Wilbanks	North Tippah
Madison Lindley	North Tippah
Bailey Boswell	North Tippah
Gavin Boswell	North Tippah
Michael Box	Prentiss County
Jackson Box	Prentiss County
Lea Jamin-Belz	Prentiss County
Tripp Barnes	North Tippah
Tryson Barnes	North Tippah
Orin Miles	Benton County

Request for Transfer to South Tippah

Keith Luster	North Tippah
Akyree Lustter	North Tippah
Davarius Luster	North Tippah
Olivia Smith	North Tippah
Sophie Moran	North Tippah
Miles Robinson	North Tippah

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

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

The Claims Docket, claims #94515 - #94641, was approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell and seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

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

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to employ the following licensed personnel for SY22-23:

Ripley High School

Nolan Stevens, Teacher/Coach  
Richie Hatcher, Teacher

Ripley Elementary School

Rhonda Bailey, Part-time Interventionist @ \$20/hour  
Tammy Miller, Part-time Interventionist @ \$27,296  
Debbie Flake, Part-time EL Interventionist @ \$20/hour  
Jo Beth Akins, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour  
Kathy Hatcher, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour  
Lynda Orman, Part-time EL Interventionist @ \$20/hour  
Barbara Graddy, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour  
Pam Simelton, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour

Ripley Middle School

Taylor Bain, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour  
Sandra Cole, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour

Beverly Moffitt, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour  
Beverly Stubbs, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour

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

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

Blue Mountain School

Judy Norton, Part-time Tutor @ \$10/hour

Pine Grove School

Nancy Bailey, Part-time Tutor @ \$10/hour

Ripley High School

George Ruedas, Boys Soccer Coach  
Matthew Otey, Girls Soccer Coach  
Taylor Bowling, Assistant Volleyball Coach  
Brande Shackelford, Part-time EL Tutor @ \$20/hour

South Tippah Pre-Kindergarten

Taylor Garner, Teacher Assistant

South Tippah Lunchroom

Ethel Simmons, Worker @ \$12.10/hour

South Tippah Bus Drivers

Al Graves, Reg. Rt. Bus Driver  
Scott Kuhl, Special Needs Bus Monitor  
Candi Sparkman, Reg. Rt. Bus Driver  
Jessica Prather, Reg. Rt. Bus Driver  
Keith Fox, Reg. Rt. Bus Driver & NASTUC Rt.  
Byron Ledbetter, PG TCTC Rt.  
David Wooley, RHS ½ TCTC Rt.  
Bonnie Rowland, Reg. Rt. Bus Driver

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

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Board, Superintendent, & Principals Duty-Related Travel. The motion was seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: Kerry

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

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the request for a one-year emergency license for Karrie Beth Kent. The motion was seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None.  
Absent and not voting: Tim Clark.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Contract Agreement for Services with ELA Consulting, LLC for FY23. Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: Tim Clark.

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

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

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

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the Child Nutrition Procurement Plan for SY22-23. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not

voting: Tim Clark.

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

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

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the revision to Board Policy GBRIA: Family and Medical Leave Act. The motion was seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: Tim Clark.

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

There was no action required on Agenda Item 25: Deletions or Additions to Annual Agenda Calendar.

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, 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 10th day of August 2022, at the Oscar Shannon Building, at 410 Greenlee Street, Ripley, Mississippi.

ORDERED, ADOPTED, and RESOLVED, this the 19th day of July 2022.

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Chairman, South Tippah School Board

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Secretary, South Tippah School Board