

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH TIPPAAH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Oscar Shannon Building
October 18, 2022
5:15 P.M.

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

Members Absent: None

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

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

The October 18, 2022 South Tippah School District Meeting Agenda as amended was approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell, seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to accept the recognition of Ripley Middle School 2021-2022 State Test Perfect Score Recipients. Superintendent Elliott recognized all students that attained a perfect score and each was presented a certificate. Tim Clark seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, 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.

The September 14, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and October 6, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes were approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell and seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin

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

Tim Clark made the motion to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Disposal of Fixed Assets

Disposal Amount of \$24,522.98

Summary Statement of Fixed Assets

Additions of \$85,741.97

Donations

Blue Mountain School

Big M, \$1,427.00, Crawfish for a Cause Funds

Pine Grove School

The Peoples Bank, \$250 for Tippah County Fair

Ripley High School

Enrichment, \$500

Fund Raisers

Blue Mountain School

Sell plate supper at Meet the Cougars, October 7, 2022

Pine Grove School

Softball, Bake Sale/Cake Auction, October 1, 2022

Ripley Elementary School

Book Blast, November 2022

Fun Fridays, November 2022

Ripley High School

Cheer, Mini Cheer Camp, October 22, 2022

Volleyball, Baked Potato Sale, October 21, 2022

Cheer & Pom Squad, Beauty Review, January 2023

Pom Squad, sell Krispy Kreme donuts, November 2022

Pom Squad, Mini Dance Camp, December 3, 2022

Softball, sell Corky's meat, November 2022

Softball, sell washing detergent, October 2022

Tippah Career & Technology Center

Skills USA/HOSA, sell candy bars, October 24-December 15, 2022

Field Trips

Blue Mountain School

Gifted Classes 2nd-7th grade, Brices Crossroad Battlefield Tour, October 21, 2022
Senior Class, Northeast MS Community College, October 28, 2022

Pine Grove School

Seniors, Ormon Farms/Hickory Flat, MS, October 14, 2022
Gifted Art Class, Clay Canvas/Oxford, MS, October 28, 2022

Ripley Elementary School

2nd Grade, Wise Family Farms, October 21, 2022
Creatively Gifted Class, Ripley Park/Veterans Day Program, November 11, 2022

Ripley High School

Select TCTC students, Ormon Farms/Hickory Flat, MS, October 14, 2022
Special Education Class, Pumpkin Patch, October 13, 2022
Choir, Tupelo Furniture Market/Celebration Village Performance, October 21, 2022

Ripley Middle School

Choir, Tupelo Furniture Market/Celebration Village Performance, October 20, 2022
Choir, Itawamba Community College/Jr. High Choir Festival

Administration of Medication to Students:

PGM23-1 – PGM23-17
REM23-18 – REM23-24
RMM23-10

Request for Release

Dorrian Caldwell	North Tippah
Kolbie Hampton	North Tippah

Request for Transfer

Braydon Lyon	North Tippah
Layla Baker	North Tippah
Peyton Needham	North Tippah
Nadia Storey	Benton County

Additions to the Substitute List:

Adam Hull
Jamie Shorter
Ashlea Page
Amirhyae Smith

Additions to the Substitute Bus Driver List:

Allyson Knox
Steve Bass

Additions to the After-School Tutoring Program:

Kelly Fryar, ESSER Tutor @ \$30/hour
Anissa Yancey, ESSER Tutor @ \$30/hour
Shelley Akins, ESSER Tutor @ \$30/hour
Beth Kuykendall, ESSER Tutor @ \$30/hour
Shannon Salinas, ESSER Tutor @ \$30/hour
Laura Green, 21st CCLC Tutor @ \$22/hour

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

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

The Claims Docket, claims #95325 - #95688, was approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell and seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, 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 Arnold Witt and seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, 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: Robert Lovett, Blue Mountain School effective October 14, 2022 & Luke Hobson, Pine Grove School effective May 22, 2023. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

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

Ripley High School

Chelsea Hamilton, Teacher

The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None.

Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to employ the following non-licensed personnel for SY22-23:

Ripley Elementary School

Abba Edgeston, Secretary

Caitlyn Bascomb, Teacher Assistant

Billie Jade Chapman, Full-time Substitute

Ripley Middle School

Becky Montgomery, Teacher Assistant

Pine Grove School

Michelle Bellew, Susan Barton Tutor @ \$10/hour

Helen Chapman, Susan Barton Tutor @ \$10/hour

Bus Shop

Mike Hill, RES pick up

Lunchroom

Kristen Willis, Full-time Substitute

Tim Clark seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, 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 Test Security Plan for 2022-2023. The motion was seconded by Kerry Cockrell. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, 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 procedure

for receiving and processing Civil Rights complaints within the Child Nutrition Program. Kevin Barefield seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the FY23 Comparability. The motion was seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to approve the Federal Programs Budget for FY23. Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion to approve the final adoption of Board Policy INC: Extended Learning Opportunity. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to approve the revision to Board Policy: EFA-Data Breach Prevention (Cyber Security). The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the Board Policy Review of Section E: Business Management & Section A: School District Organization. Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

There was no action required on Agenda Item 23: Deletions or Additions to Annual Agenda Calendar.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to consider the need for Executive Session to discuss Agenda Item 24: Discussion of Juul Lawsuit, Item 25: Student Disciplinary Matter, & Agenda Item 26: Legal Issues. The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing items 24-26. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Arnold Witt, & Kevin Barefield. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Chairman Jumper immediately closed the session and cleared the room to consider an Executive Session of the October 18, 2022 Regular Meeting of the South Tippah School District Board of Trustees.

Chairman Jumper re-convened the open session and announced in the open meeting the board had voted unanimously to enter the juul lawsuit, to uphold the decision of Blue Mountain Principal, Chris Killough regarding the disciplinary action of Blue Mountain School Student ST1253, and that no action was taken on legal issues.

There being no further action to come before the Board, Chairman Jumper entertained a motion to adjourn. On a motion by Tim Clark, seconded by Kevin Barefield, and unanimously approved by the affirmative vote of all Board Members present: Wayne Jumper, Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, 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 16th day of November 2022, at the Oscar Shannon Building, at 410 Greenlee Street, Ripley, Mississippi.

ORDERED, ADOPTED, and RESOLVED, this the 18th day of October 2022.

Chairman, South Tippah School Board

Secretary, South Tippah School Board