

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH TIPPAAH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Oscar Shannon Building
August 10, 2021
5:15 P.M.

Members Present: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Tony Elliott, Superintendent; Price Elliott, Board Attorney; Tonya Kuhl, Business Manager; & Ruby Bennett, Assistant Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman David Duncan 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, Mission Statement, and Belief Statement.

The July 21, 2021 South Tippah School District Meeting Agenda was approved on a motion by Wayne Jumper, seconded by Kerry Cockrell. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

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

The July 21, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes were approved on a motion by Wayne Jumper and seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

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

Fund Raisers

Blue Mountain School

Cheerleading, sell school gear, August 2021

Cheerleading, sell chocolate bars, August 2021

Ripley High School

Football, Sell BBQ plates, August 2021

Baseball, Gun Give Away, October 2021

Donations

Ripley High School

Big M Transportation, \$4000 for football time clock

Field Trips

Pine Grove

FFA, National Convention/Indianapolis, IN, October 26-30, 2021

Request for Release

Shamer Hamer	North Tippah
Jayden Lococo	Booneville City
Julian Lococo	Booneville City
Matthew Elijah Jones	North Tippah
Emma Windham	North Tippah
Lantana Thompson	Union County
Brailee Quinn	North Tippah
Carmen Butler	North Tippah
Garrett Butler	North Tippah
Tarajie Morgan	North Tippah
Taven Morgan	North Tippah
Jenna Hannah	Pontotoc County
Mackenzie Beaty	Pontotoc County
Jonathan Simmons	North Tippah
Micheal Simmons	North Tippah
Cadence Rolison	North Tippah
Molly-Kate Rolison	North Tippah
Jayla Poole	Prentiss County
Jadin Poole	Prentiss County

Request for Transfer

Kaylin Harris	Benton County
Amiyah Harris	Benton County
Andrew Dixon	Benton County
Reese Brown	Benton County

Kinsley Peters	Benton County
Kaden Cissom	North Tippah
Abigail Hall	North Tippah

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

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

The Claims Docket, claims #91022 - #91259, was approved on a motion by Kerry Cockrell and seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

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

Tim Clark made the motion to accept the resignation of the following licensed Personnel: Lamar Aldridge, Ripley High School. Wayne Jumper seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Wayne Jumper made the motion to employ the following licensed personnel for SY21-22:

Ripley Elementary School
Genia Thomas, SpEd Teacher

Ripley Middle School

Kakie Jeter, Teacher

Kelly Ward, Remote Learning Instructor @ \$1,500 per class

Blue Mountain School

Beverly Stubbs, Mentor/Interventionist @ \$25/hour

Joyce Graddy, Mentor/Interventionist @ \$25/hour

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

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

SY21-22:

Pine Grove School

Laura Harris, Full-time Substitute

Emily Morrison, Teacher Assistant

Lori Mims, 504 Tutor

Joni Bullock, Receptionist

Karen Shelby, Pre-K Teacher

Michelle Bellew, Teacher Assistant

Steaven Hall, Teacher Assistant/Study Hall/ISS

Ripley High School

Larry Gann, Assistant Football @ \$3,500

Bus Shop

Chad Brown, Bus Driver

Elizabeth Castro, Bus Monitor

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

Wayne Jumper made the motion to approve the employment of the following substitutes for SY21-22:

Yessenia Brock

Walter Hardaway

Will Gardner
Linda Tipler
Leigh Allison Akins
Lou Ann Price
Kate Harrison
Debbie Clemmer
Debbie Davis
Titus Tyer
Courtney Akins
Cody Hardin
Jimmy Benefield
Angie Burks
Amber Huey

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

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to employ the following Substitute Bus Drivers and Monitors for SY21-22:

Jamal Braddock
Josh Davis
Joel Gafford
Joe Hunsucker
Janna LaBarreare
Tyler Pittman
Jessica Prather
Caleb Reno
TJ Seago
Jase Stroupe
Mark Morton
Katie Bates
Matt King
Lori Mims
Russell Pannell
Alecia Sanderson
Winston Smith
Candice Sparkman
Karrie Beth Kent
Jake Walker
Rachel Michael, Monitor
Janice Gaillard, Monitor
Shirley Hancock, Monitor

Rondia Nance, Monitor
Stacy Givens
Rob Allen
Kelly Gates
Ben Knight
Mike Hudson
Sam Vaughan
Damon Ladner
Kevin Williams
Chris Moore
Josh Palmer
Chad White
Jon Grisham
Kayla Hall, Monitor
Kay Sides, Monitor
Al Graves
Genia Thomas

The motion was seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim

Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None.

Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the following cafeteria substitutes for SY21-22:

Amber Huey
Sharon Pounds
Kim Boyd

The motion was seconded by Wayne Jumper. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark,

Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and

not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to approve the MHSAA Fee Schedule & Officials
Budget for SY21-22. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan,

Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None.

Absent and not voting: None

Wayne Jumper made the motion to approve the 2021-2022 District Supplements
(Attached). Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim

Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None.

Absent and not voting: None.

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

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the Application to Purchase New School Buses which includes air conditioning. Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Wayne Jumper made the motion for approval of Shafer, Zahner, Zahner to complete design and advertise for bids on cafeteria flooring at Pine Grove, Ripley Middle, & Ripley Elementary. Tim Clark seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion for approval of Shafer, Zahner, Zahner to complete design and advertise for bids on Ripley High School window project. Arnold Witt seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Wayne Jumper made the motion for approval of Shafer, Zahner, Zahner to complete design and advertise for bids on Ripley Event Center exterior mechanical equipment. Kerry Cockrell seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Wayne Jumper made the motion for approval to issue Mask Mandate for both vaccinated and unvaccinated and allow the Superintendent to manage mandate on a daily basis and adjust as needed. Tim Clark seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark,

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

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the Mississippi Action for Progress, Inc./Local Education Agency Transition Plan Agreement. Wayne Jumper seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the Collaborative Agreement between South Tippah School District & Millcreek of Pontotoc for SY21-22. The motion was seconded by Wayne Jumper. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the BUSE Education Services, LLC Contract for Specified Services with South Tippah School District for SY21-22. Wayne Jumper seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Contract for Specified Services with Rosemont Consulting for SY21-22. The motion was seconded by Wayne Jumper. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the Independent Contract Agreement between South Tippah School District and Victoria Jean Strahan, School Psychologist for SY21-22. Wayne Jumper seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion to approve the recommendation to accept the bid from Roberts Builders, Inc. on the Opportunities Lab at Blue Mountain School. The motion was seconded by Kerry Cockrell. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting:

None.

Wayne Jumper made the motion to approve the South Tippah School District Agreement with King Therapies, LLC for SY21-22. The motion was seconded by Arnold Witt. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Kerry Cockrell made the motion to grant administrative leave to any employee who must quarantine for COVID or who tests positive and must stay home (H.B. No. 1647). Wayne Jumper seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion to approve the final adoption of Board Policy IAC: Virtual Learning Days. The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Wayne Jumper made the motion to approve the revision to Board Policy: FFF. The motion was seconded by Kerry Cockrell. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Tim Clark made the motion to approve the Board Policy Review of Section F: Facilities. Wayne Jumper seconded the motion. Voting for the motion: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, & Arnold Witt. Voting against the motion: None. Absent and not voting: None.

Arnold Witt made the motion that the Board of Education allow teachers the option of wearing scrubs. The motion died for lack of second.

There was no action required on Agenda Item 38: Deletions or Additions to Annual Agenda Calendar.

There being no further action to come before the Board, Chairman Duncan entertained a

motion to adjourn. On a motion by Wayne Jumper, seconded by Kerry Cockrell, and unanimously approved by the affirmative vote of all Board Members present: David Duncan, Tim Clark, Kerry Cockrell, Wayne Jumper, and Arnold Witt, the Board adjourned until the next regular meeting of the South Tippah School District Board to be held at 5:00 o'clock p.m., on the 15th day of September 2021, at the Oscar Shannon Building, at 410 Greenlee Street, Ripley, Mississippi.

ORDERED, ADOPTED, and RESOLVED, this the 10th day of August 2021.

Chairman, South Tippah School Board

Secretary, South Tippah School Board