

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

Oscar Shannon Building

November 15, 2023

Members Present: Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Kevin Barefield, Arnold Witt and Nicole Bullock

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Tony Elliott, Superintendent; Ruby Bennett, Assistant Superintendent; & Price Elliott, Board Attorney

The Board convened in closed session with Chairman Cockrell presiding to determine the need for an Executive Session to address Agenda Item 23: Resignation of Licensed Personnel.

Kevin Barefield made the motion to enter executive session. The motion was seconded by Nicole Bullock. WHEREUPON, the Chairman called for a vote and upon said votes being duly canvassed the same were recorded as follows:

Kerry Cockrell, voting "Aye";  
Tim Clark, voting "Aye";  
Arnold Witt, voting "Aye";  
Nicole Bullock, voting "Aye";  
Kevin Barefield, voting "Aye";  
Voting against the motion: "None";

WHEREUPON, Chairman Cockrell declared the foregoing motion adopted by the unanimous vote of all South Tippah District Board Members present.

Chairman Cockrell called the Board to order and convened the Executive Session with the following members present: Kerry Cockrell, Tim Clark, Nicole Bullock, Kevin Barefield, and Arnold Witt. Tony Elliott, Ruby Bennett, & Price Elliott were also present.

Nicole Bullock made the motion to reject the resignation of Licensed Personnel ST23L1 and authorize the Superintendent to take the necessary steps through the Mississippi Department of Education to rescind said employee's teaching license due to abandonment of contract.

The motion was seconded by Kevin Barefield. WHEREUPON, the Chairman called for a vote and upon said votes being duly canvassed the same were recorded as follows:

Kerry Cockrell, voting "Aye";  
Tim Clark, voting "Aye";  
Arnold Witt, voting "Aye";  
Nicole Bullock, voting "Aye";  
Kevin Barefield, voting "Aye";  
Voting against the motion: "None";

WHEREUPON, Chairman Cockrell declared the foregoing motion adopted by the unanimous vote of all South Tippah Board Members present.

Arnold Witt moved that since the business for which the Executive Session has been called was completed that Executive Session be adjourned and that Board Chairman Cockrell report action that was taken therein. The motion was seconded by Tim Clark. WHEREUPON, the Chairman called for a vote and upon said votes being duly canvassed, the same were recorded as follows:

Kerry Cockrell, voting "Aye",  
Tim Clark, voting "Aye";  
Arnold Witt, voting "Aye";  
Nicole Bullock, voting "Aye";  
Kevin Barefield, voting "Aye";  
Voting against the motion: "None";

WHEREUPON, the Chairman declared that there being no further business to come before the session, and the foregoing motion to adjourn having been duly carried by the unanimous affirmative vote of all South Tippah School Board Members present, the Executive Session stood adjourned.

This the 15th day of November, 2023.

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Chairman, South Tippah School Board

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Secretary, South Tippah School Board