

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BE IT REMEMBERED that the DeSoto County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the office of the Superintendent of Education in Hernando, MS, with the following present, to-wit: Board Member and President Charles Barton; Board Member and Secretary Josh Sullivan; Board Members Michele Henley, Shelia Riley and Jerald Wheeler. Also present were the Superintendent of Education Cory Uselton; Board Attorney Jim Keith; Assistant Superintendents Van Alexander, Lucy Hasselman, Thomas Spencer and Keith Williams and Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board Beth Cross.

**Approve Agenda**

Approval of the February 1, 2024 Agenda.

**Superintendent's Report**

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

**Attorney's Report**

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

**Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the minutes of the January 18, 2024 board meeting.

**Consent Agenda**

The board voted for:

- A. Approval of the January 2024 Docket of Claims and Summary of Accounts Payable.
- B. Approval of the change in bank signers at various locations in the district.
- C. Approval to accept the Declaration of Surplus Property.
- D. Approval of the December 2023 Activity Fund Receipts and Disbursements Report.
- E. Approval of an amended contract with Alex Isom.
- F. Approval of a contract with Addy Photography Ltd.
- G. Approval of a contract with Addy Photography Ltd.
- H. Approval of a contract Avant Assessment, LLC.
- I. Approval of a contract with Compel Church.
- J. Approval of a contract with David Kersey.
- K. Approval of a contract with DeSoto County Convention and Visitors Bureau dba Landers Center.
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- S. Approval of a contract with DeSoto County Convention and Visitors Bureau dba Landers Center.
- T. Approval of a contract with DeSoto County Convention and Visitors Bureau dba Landers Center.
- U. Approval of a contract with Fifth Asset, Inc. dba DebtBook.
- V. Approval of a contract with Four Seasons Tours, Inc.
- W. Approval of a contract with Hemker Portraits.
- X. Approval of a contract with Hemker Portraits.
- Y. Approval of a contract with Innovative Solutions.
- Z. Approval of a contract with Jose Hernandez.
- AA. Approval of a contract MoneyDolly LLC.
- BB. Approval of a contract with Mosaic Evaluations LLC.
- CC. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- DD. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- EE. Approval of a contract with Sports Floors, Inc.
- FF. Approval of a contract with The Orpheum Theatre Group.
- GG. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Delta State University Department of Counselor Education and Psychology.
- HH. Approval of final pay change order #001 for the band hall expansion project at Lewisburg High School.
- II. Approval to advertise for bids for bank depositories for the fiscal years of 2024-2025 through 2026-2027 for the DeSoto County School District.
- JJ. Approval of Mississippi Department of Education FY2025 Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services in Schools (MCOPS) Grant Application.
- KK. Approval for Center Hill Middle School to sell surplus football jerseys that can no longer be used in the athletic program.
- LL. Approval of the February 2024 spreadsheet detailing the present status of grants.
- MM. Approval of Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.  
Approval of denied Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.

**New Business**

- A. Approval of a bid for the Olive Branch High School Rewire E-Rate reimbursable project.

- B. Approval of the SY2024-2025 proposed DCS academic calendar.
- C. Approval of the December 2023 Statement of Revenue and Expenditures.
- D. Approval of the December 2023 Combined Balance Sheet.
- E. Approval of the December 2023 Statement of Cash Flow.
- F. Approval of the December 2023 Certification of Bank Reconciliations.
- G. Approval of employment recommendations.
- H. Request for consideration of Executive Session.

**Public Comment**

None

**Request to Appear before the Board**

None

**Executive Session – Action Taken**

The board heard a student matter, a personnel contract matter, the potential litigation matter as the discussion of the matter in Open Session would be detrimental to the district's litigation position and the student discipline matters.

There being no further business the board recessed until Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.