

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

BE IT REMEMBERED that the DeSoto County Board of Education met in recessed session on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 10:00 a.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 and Board Members Michele Henley, Shelia Riley and Jerald Wheeler. Also present were the Superintendent of Education Cory Uselton; Assistant Superintendents Lucy Hasselman, Thomas Spencer and Keith Williams and Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board Beth Cross. Board Attorney Jim Keith and Assistant Superintendent Van Alexander were absent.

Approve Agenda

Approval of the October 19, 2023 Agenda.

Superintendent's Report

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Approval to adopt a proclamation recognizing and honoring former Southaven High School student.

Attorney's Report

None

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the October 5, 2023 board meeting.

Consent Agenda

The board voted for:

- A. Approval of a Claims Docket for October 2023.
- B. Approval of the August 2023 Activity Fund Receipts and Disbursements Report.
- C. Approval to accept the Declaration of Surplus Property.
- D. Approval to declare as surplus property a list of Vocational State Equipment items.
- E. Approval to accept the Donated Fixed Assets.
- F. Approval of an amended contract with Amplify Education, Inc.
- G. Approval of a contract with Addy Photography, Ltd.
- H. Approval of a contract with BrandConnex LLC as agent for US News & World Report, L. P.
- I. Approval of a contract with Crown Coach Carters and Tours.
- J. Approval of a contract with DeSoto County Convention and Visitors Bureau dba Landers Center.
- K. Approval of a contract with GraceNotes, LLC.
- L. Approval of a contract with Great Minds PBC.
- M. Approval of a contract with Herff Jones.
- N. Approval of a contract with Hilton Jackson.
- O. Approval of a contract with Independent Event Producers, Inc.
- P. Approval of a contract with Independent Event Producers, Inc.

- Q. Approval of a contract with Irby Psychological Services.
- R. Approval of a contract with J. T. Ray Company.
- S. Approval of a contract with Jennifer Rushton.
- T. Approval of a contract with Mears Transportation Group.
- U. Approval of a contract with Nearpod, Inc.
- V. Approval of a contract with The Orpheum Theatre Group.
- W. Approval of a contract with Our Group Tour.
- X. Approval of a contract with Patti House.
- Y. Approval of a contract with Playhouse on the Square.
- Z. Approval of a contract with Playhouse on the Square.
- AA. Approval of a contract with Pro-Ed, Inc.
- BB. Approval of a contract with Receptively Yours.
- CC. Approval of a contract with Receptively Yours.
- DD. Approval of a contract with Receptively Yours.
- EE. Approval of a contract with Receptively Yours.
- FF. Approval of a contract with Rumble on the Ridge.
- GG. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- HH. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- II. Approval of a contract with Shutterfly Lifetouch, LLC.
- JJ. Approval of contract with Student Group Tours, Inc.
- KK. Approval of contract with Student Group Tours, Inc.
- LL. Approval of contract with Student Group Tours, Inc.
- MM. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- NN. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- OO. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- PP. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- QQ. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- RR. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- SS. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- TT. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- UU. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.

- VV. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- WW. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- XX. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- YY. Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement between DeSoto County Schools and Delta State University.
- ZZ. Approval to advertise for bids for fresh produce for Child Nutrition Department.
- AAA. Approval to advertise for bids for Brand Specific VEX Robotics.
- BBB. Approval of the notice of change of regular board meeting time for the November 2, 2023 board meeting from 3:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- CCC. Approval of a list of Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.
Approval of a list of denied Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.

New Business

- A. Approval of a bid for the athletic turf field at DeSoto Central High School.
- B. Approval of a contract with Geosurfaces, Inc. for the athletic turf field at DeSoto Central High School.
- C. Approval of a bid for the athletic turf field at Horn Lake High School.
- D. Approval of a contract with Grassland, Inc. for the athletic turf field at Horn Lake High School.
- E. Approval of a bid for classroom additions at Center Hill Elementary School.
- F. Approval of a contract with Murphy and Sons, Inc. for the classroom additions at Center Hill Elementary School.
- G. Approval of a bid for classroom additions at Lake Cormorant Middle School.
- H. Approval of a contract with Murphy and Sons, Inc. for the classroom additions at Lake Cormorant Middle School.
- I. Approval of the August 2023 Statement of Revenue and Expenditures.
- J. Approval of the August 2023 Combined Balance Sheet.
- K. Approval of the August 2023 Statement of Cash Flow.
- L. Approval of the August 2023 Certification of Bank Reconciliations.
- M. Approval of revised Board Policy GAHB - Political Activity of Staff Members.
- N. Approval of revised Board Policy GBN – Professional Separation/Nonrenewal.
- O. Approval of revised Board Policy IHEA – Class Ranking.
- P. Approval of revised Board Policy JGCB – Student Health Services Inoculations.
- Q. Approval of personnel recommendations.
- R. Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Executive Session – Action Taken

The board heard student matters regarding early graduation, a construction contract matter and the residency appeal.

The board adjourned until Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.