

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, January 18, 2024, 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 President Charles Barton, Board Member and Secretary Josh Sullivan and Board Members Michele Henley, Jerald Wheeler and Shelia Riley (all present by phone, due to inclement weather). Also present were the Superintendent of Education Cory Uselton; Board Attorney Elizabeth Maron (by phone); Chief Operations Officer Rob Chase; Assistant Superintendents Lucy Hasselman and Van Alexander and Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board Beth Cross. Assistant Superintendents Thomas Spencer and Keith Williams were absent.

Approve Agenda

Approval of the January 18, 2024 Agenda.

Superintendent's Report

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Approval to grant three (3) additional Personal leave days to 230-day employees for SY2023-2024, effective January 22, 2024.

Attorney's Report

None

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the January 4, 2024 board meeting.

Consent Agenda

The board voted for:

- A. Approval to accept the Declaration of Surplus Property.
- B. Approval to accept the Donations and Contributions.
- C. Approval of an amended contract with Cornerstone Rehabilitation.
- D. Approval of the Board Attorney Agreement with Adams and Reese, LLP.
- E. Approval of a rental building use agreement with SouthPoint Church.
- F. Approval of a contract with Addy Photography Ltd.
- G. Approval of a contract with Addy Photography Ltd.
- H. Approval of a contract with Alex Isom.
- I. Approval of a contract with BorderLan, Inc.
- J. Approval of a contract with Business U LLC.
- K. Approval of a contract with CareerSafe.
- L. Approval of a contract with Certiport a business of NCS Pearson, Inc.
- M. Approval of a contract with Cline Tours, Inc.
- N. Approval of a contract with DeSoto County Convention and Visitors Bureau dba Landers Center.
- O. Approval of a contract with Discipline Associates, LLC.
- P. Approval of a contract with Explore Learning LLC.

- Q. Approval of a contract with Fund the Nations.
- R. Approval of a contract with GradImages.
- S. Approval of a contract with Home Place Pastures.
- T. Approval of a contract with Independent Event Producers, Inc.
- U. Approval of a contract with Knight Coach, Inc.
- V. Approval of a contract with Learning A – Z.
- W. Approval of a contract with MS Fruit and Vegetable Company.
- X. Approval of a contract with Music Theatre International.
- Y. Approval of a contract with Party Towne Photo Booth.
- Z. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- AA. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- BB. Approval of a contract with Shadow Lake Music.
- CC. Approval of a contract with Sivad, Inc.
- DD. Approval of a contract with SlateXP, Inc.
- EE. Approval of a contract with Vend Natural of the Mid-South LLC.
- FF. Approval of a rental agreement with Pitney Bowes, Inc.
- GG. Approval of final pay change order #001 for the addition at DCS transportation.
- HH. Approval of final pay change order #001 for Surveillance system upgrades at Center Hill High School.
- II. Approval of final pay change order #001 for Surveillance system upgrades at Olive Branch Middle School.
- JJ. Approval to advertise for bids for Fleet Vehicles for DeSoto County School District.
- KK. Approval to destroy inactive and past graduate cumulative folders from SY2019.
- LL. Approval of the January 2024 spreadsheet detailing the present status of grants.
- MM. Approval of FY23 MCAPS Budget Revision 5 IDEA, Part B for the Special Education Department.
- NN. Approval of Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.

New Business

- A. Approval to pay an invoice pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. §31-7-57 (2).
- B. Approval to purchase vehicles for the Child Nutrition Department.
- C. Approval to purchase vehicles for the Physical Plant Maintenance Department.
- D. Approval of the November 2023 Statement of Revenue and Expenditures.
- E. Approval of the November 2023 Combined Balance Sheet.

- F. Approval of the November 2023 Statement of Cash Flow.
- G. Approval of the November 2023 Certification of Bank Reconciliations.
- H. Approval of employment recommendations.
- I. Due to inclement weather, there were no residency appeal matter.
- P. Due to inclement weather, there were no student discipline matters.

Executive Session – Action Taken

The board heard student matters regarding early graduation and student matters regarding preschool.

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting adjourned until Thursday, February 1, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.