

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, August 3, 2023, 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 and Lucy Hasselman and Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board Beth Cross. Assistant Superintendent Thomas Spencer and Keith Williams were absent.

**Approve Agenda**

Approval of the August 3, 2023 Agenda.

**Superintendent's Report**

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

**Attorney's Report**

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Approval of a resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of a limited tax note of the DeSoto County School District.

**Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the minutes of the July 19, 2023 board meeting.

**Consent Agenda**

The board voted for:

- A. Approval of the July 2023 Docket of Claims and Summary of Accounts Payable.
- B. Approval of the June 2023 Activity Fund Receipts and Disbursements Report.
- C. Approval to accept the Donations and Contributions.
- D. Approval of an affiliation agreement with University of Wisconsin Eau Claire Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders.
- E. Approval of an amended clinical affiliation agreement with DeSoto Imaging Specialists.
- F. Approval of an amended contract with Scenario Learning LLC dba Vector Solutions.
- G. Cancellation of a contract with Keagan Massey.
- H. Cancellation of a contract with OrthoSouth a division of MSK Group, PC.
- I. Approval of a collaborative agreement between DeSoto County School District and Millcreek School of Magee.
- J. Approval of a contract with A-1 Fire Protection.
- K. Approval of a contract with Concord Theatricals.
- L. Approval of a contract with Dell Marketing.
- M. Approval of a contract with Dramatic Publishing.
- N. Approval of a contract with Edmentum, Inc.
- O. Approval of a contract with Edmentum, Inc.
- P. Approval of a contract with Generation Genius, Inc.

- Q. Approval of a contract with Hemker Portraits.
- R. Approval of a contract with Hemker Portraits.
- S. Approval of a contract with Hemker Portraits.
- T. Approval of a contract with Hemker Portraits.
- U. Approval of a contract Homecourt Publishers.
- V. Approval of a contract with Jimmy Alford Studio, Inc.
- W. Approval of a contract with Kelsi Miller.
- X. Approval of a contract with Memphis Communications Corporation.
- Y. Approval of a contract with Music Theatre International.
- Z. Approval of a contract with Ohioyle Prints, Inc.
- AA. Approval of a contract with OrthoSouth a division of MSK Group, PC.
- BB. Approval of a contract with PlaBook/Rubi Education.
- CC. Approval of a contract with QuaverEd.
- DD. Approval of a contract with QuaverEd.
- EE. Approval of a contract with QuaverEd.
- FF. Approval of a contract with Renaissance Learning, Inc.
- GG. Approval of a contract with Respondus, Inc.
- HH. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- II. Approval of a contract with Scholastic, Inc.
- JJ. Approval of a contract with Scholastic, Inc.
- KK. Approval of a contract with Scholastic, Inc.
- LL. Approval of a contract with SEA Level Social.
- MM. Approval of a contract with St. Clair CPA, PLLC.
- NN. Approval of a contract with TransUnion Risk and Alternative Data Solutions, Inc.
- OO. Approval of a contract with Turnitin, LLC.
- PP. Approval of a contract with Tyler Technologies, Inc.
- QQ. Approval of a contract with USA Test Prep.
- RR. Approval of a contract with Williams Gallagher.
- SS. Approval of a contract with Zonar Systems, Inc.
- TT. Approval of a corrected contract with Follett School Solutions, LLC.
- UU. Approval of a corrected contract with Simple Strokes Therapy, Inc.

- VV. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Northwest Mississippi Community College.
- WW. Approval of an emergency purchase.
- XX. Approval to advertise for bids for netbook carts for DeSoto County School District.
- YY. Approval to destroy inactive and past graduate files for students with 504 files or SPED records from FY2015-2016 and prior.
- ZZ. Approval to pay CDWG for netbooks for grades six through twelve from a board approved bid.
- AAA. Approval to place on hold the Work Based Learning teacher unit at Horn Lake High School for SY2023-2024.
- BBB. Approval of SY2023-2024 DeSoto County Schools District Test Security Plan.
- CCC. Approval of a contract with Imagine Learning.
- DDD. Approval of Student Transfer Requests for SY2022-2023.  
Approval of denied Student Transfer Requests for SY2022-2023.

**New Business**

- A. Approval of a tax levy order requesting ad valorem tax effort in dollars for the support of the school district.
- B. Approval of an architectural services contract with Allen & Hoshall, PLLC for the athletic turf field at DeSoto Central High School.
- C. Approval to advertise for bids for the athletic turf field at DeSoto Central High School.
- D. Approval of an architectural services contract with Allen & Hoshall, PLLC.
- E. Approval to advertise for bids for the athletic turf field at Horn Lake High School.
- F. Approval of an architectural services contract with Allen & Hoshall, PLLC.
- G. Approval to advertise for bids for classroom additions at Center Hill Elementary School.
- H. Approval of a contractual agreement with Burns Cooley Dennis, Inc.
- I. Approval of an architectural services contract with Allen & Hoshall, PLLC.
- J. Approval to advertise for bids for classroom additions at Lake Cormorant Middle School.
- K. Approval of a contractual agreement with Burns Cooley Dennis, Inc.
- L. Approval of a bid for Bus AC Retrofit for DeSoto County School District.
- M. Approval of a bid for charging towers for DeSoto County School District.
- N. Approval for the Lewisburg High School football boosters to install a sidewalk from the Lewisburg High School football locker room connecting to the football stadium entrance.
- O. Approval to pay an invoice pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. §31-7-57 (2).
- P. Approval of personnel recommendations.
- Q. Request for consideration of Executive Session.

**Public Comment**

None

**Request to Appear before the Board**

Requests to appear will be heard in Executive Session.

**Executive Session – Action Taken**

The board heard a student matter regarding early graduation, a facility use matter, a litigation matter as the discussion of the matter in Open Session would be detrimental to the district's litigation position, the residency appeals and the requests to appear.

The board recessed until Thursday, August 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.