

Regular Meeting

August 14, 2023

The Board of Trustees of the West Point Consolidated School District met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 14, 2023, in the conference room of the administrative office building located at 359 Commerce Street, West Point, Mississippi. Members present were: Gene Brown, chairman; Tommy Coleman, vice chairman; Elizabeth Bailey, secretary; Laquante Pruitt, member; and Israel Lee, member. Also present were Dr. Jermaine Taylor, Superintendent; Dr. Kendall Pickens, Assistant Superintendent of Operations; Reita Humphries, Assistant Superintendent Instruction and Federal Programs; Susan Cothren, Business Manager; and Angela Turner Ford, Board Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by Gene Brown, Chairman.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the adoption of the agenda as presented.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board approved consent items and ratified claims on the check preview register as follow:

1. Minutes – Regular Meeting - July 17, 2023
2. Check Preview Registers

Dr. Jermaine Taylor, superintendent, presented Lou Ivy, Head Custodian at the High School north campus with a certificate of appreciation honoring her contributions and dedication to the district, students, and community.

Meon Carroll, Instructional Tech Coach/Intersession Coordinator, presented to the Board regarding information on fall and spring intersession.

Tommy Coleman moved approval of the June financial statements. His motion was seconded by Israel Lee and unanimously approved by the Board.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the deletion of fixed assets and declared each one surplus property as follows:

SCHOOL	ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	MODEL #	SERIAL #
Church Hill	13416	Chromebook	100E	YW000212
Church Hill	17607	Chromebook	CBX360	SCD116R1DB
South Side	13152	Chromebook	100E	P2049LSS
South Side	13263	Chromebook	100E	P204D6GE
South Side	13291	Chromebook	100E	P204P8BE
West Clay	0734	Pickup	N/A	1FTEF15N7RNA56807
WPHS-S	17676	Drone	N/A	N/A
Career & Technology Center	09841	Desktop Computer	N/A	BRWRX12

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board approved the deletion of vocational equipment as follows:

SCHOOL	TRACKING #	DESCRIPTION	MODEL #	SERIAL #
Career & Technology Center	WP774	Computer Color	DCNE	5JYBPJ1
Career & Technology Center	WP1005	Printer Ink Jet	M601DN	CNCCF7B00R
Career & Technology Center	WS98	Computer Notebook	C20SA-TS02-GR	HANXCX019052429
Career & Technology Center	WS99	Computer Notebook	C20SA-TS02-GR	HANXCX01863842B

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved St. Clair, CPA, PLLC, as auditor for the district for fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Israel Lee made a motion to approve the job description for Academic Coach Teacher. His motion was seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously by the Board.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board approved the 2023-2024 Professional Development Plan.

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the cooperative agreement between Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services/Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (MDRS/OVR) and West Point Consolidated School District.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the Special Education FY24 Project Application and Assurances.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey, and passed unanimously, the Board approved the out-of-state travel request by Beverlee Jackson and Andrea Adams, teachers at Fifth Street, to take approximately 120 students to the Coca Coke and Aquarium, in Atlanta, GA on May 17, 2023. They will be accompanied by 12 chaperones and will travel by charter bus.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the purchase of a bus for the Career & Technology Center.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the employment recommendation of certified personnel as follows:

Natasha Richey	Academic Coach (Title 1) WPHS South	Cert: AAA Exp.: 19 yrs. Salary:\$64,814 (207 days)
Aubree Greggs	SPED Inclusion South Side	Cert: AA Exp.: 10 yrs. Salary:\$48,369 (177 days)

**Testing Supplements:**

**\$500 Supplement:**

**Career & Technology Center**

Sheila Fulgham

**SKW After School Tutoring (Fund 2211-9001296-000-111-001-2023):**

Carol Doss \$35/hour

**Homebound Services (2610-9001220-111-020-2024):**

Crystal Barr \$31.75/hour

**Speech Services (2610-9001295-000-111-001-2023) (\$70/student):**

Ruth Baker  
Taylor Knowles

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the resignation of non-certified personnel as follows:

Monica Davis	ISS Assistant Teacher	WPHS-S (effective 7/24/23)
Nakish Ewing	Assistant Teacher	East Side (effective 7/28/23)
Rhonda Ewing	Cafeteria Worker	Fifth Street (effective 8/2/23)
Linda Fulgham	Cafeteria Worker	East Side (effective 7/26/23)
Stephanie Malone	Cafeteria Worker	South Side (effective 7/17/23)
Kaytlyn Noble	Cafeteria Worker	South Side (effective 7/17/23)
Connie Robinson	School Nurse	WPHS-S (effective 7/19/23)
Inez Webber	Cafeteria Worker	WPHS-S (effective 7/17/23)

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the employment recommendation of non-certified personnel as follows:

**Assistant Teachers:**

Sawana Bean	South Side (SPED 2610)	\$17,600 (0 years)
Alicia Cherry	Church Hill (Title I - 2211)	\$16,094 (0 years @ 171 days)
Shatondra Johnson	Fifth Street (SPED 2610)	\$17,134 (3 years @ 179 days)
Hosea Lairy	WPHS-South (ISS)	\$15,624 (0 years @ 166 days)
Jacqueline Vance	East Side	\$19,465 (24 years @ 182 days)

**Child Nutrition:**

Shatesha Ewell	Cafeteria/South Side	\$13,837.50 (A-1@7.5 hrs.@ 180 days)
Avonda Hunter	Cafeteria/South Side	\$16,537.50 (A-9@7.5 hrs.@ 180 days)
Jeoucious Shoemaker	Cafeteria/Fifth Street	\$13,500.00 (A-0@7.5 hrs.@ 180 days)
Teresa Walker	Cafeteria/Fifth Street	\$10,395.00 (A-1@5.5 hrs.@ 180 days)
Janice Young	Cafeteria/East Side	\$13,500.00 (A-0@7.5 hrs.@ 180 days)

**Supplements/Athletic Supplements:**

Anfernee Brand - Asst. Varsity Baseball	\$1,994
Oliver Johnson - 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Head Boys Basketball	\$1,886
Bryan Nichols - 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Head Football	\$3,735
Courtney Wilson - 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Assistant Boys Basketball	\$1,038

Elizabeth Bailey made a motion to go into closed session to determine the need for executive session.

The board determined that the items listed on the agenda were executive session issues as allowed by law. Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board went into executive session to discuss student transfer and student release requests and a legal matter.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the transfer of a student listed below to attend West Point Consolidated School District for the 2023-2024 school year based on employment of parents with the District. No funds will be transferred and no transportation will be provided.

Parent Name	Student Name	Transfer From
Amy Baswell	Maisy Sesser	Starkville Oktibbeha Consolidated School District

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board approved the release of students, listed below, from West Point Consolidated School District for the 2023-2024 school year to attend the school district in which their parent(s) are employed. No funds will be transferred and no transportation will be provided.

Parent Name	Student Name	Release To
Joshua Funderburg	Elijah, Jack & Luke Funderburg	Tupelo School District

Following discussion, Elizabeth Bailey moved the meeting be reopened to the public. Her motion was seconded by Laquante Pruitt and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no further business, upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the meeting was duly adjourned.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary