

Regular Meeting

February 14, 2022

The Board of Trustees of the West Point Consolidated School District met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, February 14, 2022, 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 Burnell McDonald, superintendent; Jermaine Taylor, assistant superintendent of operations; Susan Cothren, business manager; and Thomas B. Storey, Jr., Board attorney.

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

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

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved consent items and ratified claims on the check preview register as follows:

1. Minutes – Special Meeting - January 10, 2022
Regular Meeting - January 10, 2022
Special Meeting - February 8, 2022
2. Check Preview Register

Burnell McDonald, superintendent, announced that Governor Tate Reeves proclaimed February 13-19, 2022 as “School Board Member Recognition Week” for the State of Mississippi. Mr. McDonald presented each Board member with a certificate of appreciation honoring their contributions and dedication to the district, students, and community. Mr. McDonald also took this opportunity to recognize Patrick Ray as District Administrator of the Year and Vanessa Avant as the District Teacher of the Year.

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

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the deletion of fixed assets as follows:

SCHOOL	ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	MODEL #	SERIAL #
Information Technology	11267	iPad Mini	iPad	F9GQT77UFCM5
Information Technology	11268	iPad Mini	iPad	F9FQV1V7FCM5
Information Technology	11269	iPad Mini	iPad	F9FQV0C0FCM5
Information Technology	11270	iPad Mini	iPad	F9FQV35ZFCM5
Information Technology	11271	iPad Mini	iPad	F9FQV1CCFCM5
Information Technology	11362	Computer	3040	FQ95V62
Information Technology	12294	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT5802FCM6
Information Technology	12296	iPad Mini	ME227LLA	F9FT47XEFCM6
Information Technology	12298	iPad Mini	ME277LL/A	F9GT388UFCM6
Information Technology	12300	iPad Mini	ME227LLA	F9GT37R0FCM6
Information Technology	12301	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT5745FCM6
Information Technology	12302	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT50J1FCM6
Information Technology	12303	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT5111FCM6
Information Technology	12304	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT50NEFCM6
Information Technology	12305	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT5186FCM6
Information Technology	12306	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT583HFCM6

Information Technology	12307	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT3XRBF6M6
Information Technology	12308	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT5005FCM6
Information Technology	12309	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT502HFCM6
Information Technology	12311	iPad Mini	ME277LLA	F9FT41PJFCM6
Office of Special Services	09285	Laptop	E6530	J01YFS1
Office of Special Services	10522	Laptop	3340	CBQ0892
Office of Special Services	10507	Computer	3040	B3S9M82
East Side	8310	Computer	780	40PQ4M1
East Side	09479	Computer	7010	D85M6Y1
East Side	09589	Projector	EX3220	TU8F385916L
East Side	13925	iPad	8 th Gen	H95DGSAGQ1GC
East Side	17296	iPad	8 th Gen	DMPF6DVYQ1GC
Church Hill	11400	Computer	3040	BVWG8C2
Church Hill	16565	iPad	8 th Gen	H96DFAK9Q1GC
Church Hill	16630	iPad	8 th Gen	H97DGERSQ1GC
Church Hill	16652	iPad	8 th Gen	H97DGGDSQ1GC
Church Hill	16757	iPad	8 th Gen	H97DGNWHQ1GC
Church Hill	16855	iPad	8 th Gen	H97DH18NQ1GC
Church Hill	16873	iPad	8 th Gen	H97DH1XLQ1GC
Church Hill	17301	iPad	8 th Gen	H97F5OU6Q1GC
Church Hill	7167	SmartBoard	680	066972
South Side	09508	Computer	7010	3YH0CZ1
South Side	09600	Projector	EX3220	TU8K3Y07557
South Side	09658	Computer	7010	CG0DM02
South Side	09720	Computer	7010	25ZWV12
West Clay	1658	Computer	N/A	4T36PS1
Fifth Street	6083	DVD Player	EWD2004	U33499418A
Fifth Street	7975	Computer	760	HFS4JL1
Fifth Street	8790	Printer	P2035N	CNB9S43102
Fifth Street	09120	Laptop	E6520	BRLK6R1
Fifth Street	09648	Computer	7010	G29GZ12
Fifth Street	09687	Computer	7010	8D0CV12
Fifth Street	09882	Computer	7010	HFYJP22
Fifth Street	09883	Computer	7010	HG5BP22
Fifth Street	09884	Computer	7010	HG5MP22
Fifth Street	09885	Computer	7010	HFYMP22
Fifth Street	09886	Computer	7010	HG2MP22
Fifth Street	09887	Computer	7010	HG1KP22
Fifth Street	09888	Computer	7010	HFWPN22
Fifth Street	09889	Computer	7010	HG08P22
Fifth Street	09890	Computer	7010	HG3MN22

Fifth Street	09891	Computer	7010	HG1LP22
Fifth Street	09892	Computer	7010	HFY8P22
Fifth Street	09893	Computer	7010	HFWLN22
Fifth Street	09894	Computer	7010	HG08P22
Fifth Street	09895	Computer	7010	HG0LP22
Fifth Street	09896	Computer	7010	HFW8P22
Fifth Street	09897	Computer	7010	HG38P22
Fifth Street	09898	Computer	7010	HFYNN22
Fifth Street	09899	Computer	7010	HG3MP22
Fifth Street	09900	Computer	7010	HFZNN22
Fifth Street	09901	Computer	7010	HFYPN22
Fifth Street	09902	Computer	7010	HG2LP22
Fifth Street	09903	Computer	7010	HFZ7P22
Fifth Street	09904	Computer	7010	HFW7P22
Fifth Street	09905	Computer	7010	HG2BP22
Fifth Street	09926	Computer	7010	HG0KP22
Fifth Street	09932	Computer	7010	HG2PN22
Fifth Street	09933	Computer	7010	HFZJP22
Fifth Street	09934	Computer	7010	HG4PN22
Fifth Street	09935	Computer	7010	HG28P22
Fifth Street	09936	Computer	7010	HG4BP22
Fifth Street	09937	Computer	7010	HG3KP22
Fifth Street	09938	Computer	7010	HG1PN22
Fifth Street	09939	Computer	7010	HFWKP22
Fifth Street	09940	Computer	7010	HFY9P22
Fifth Street	09941	Computer	7010	HFYMN22
Fifth Street	09942	Computer	7010	HFY8P22
Fifth Street	09943	Computer	7010	HFYKP22
Fifth Street	09944	Computer	7010	HG5NP22
Fifth Street	09945	Computer	7010	HG4MN22
Fifth Street	09946	Computer	7010	HFY9P22
Fifth Street	09947	Computer	7010	HFY7P22
Fifth Street	09948	Computer	7010	HG3BP22
Fifth Street	09949	Computer	7010	HG4MP22
Fifth Street	09950	Computer	7010	HFYLP22
Fifth Street	09951	Computer	7010	HG4LP22
Fifth Street	09952	Computer	7010	HG5MN22
Fifth Street	09953	Computer	7010	HG0PN22
Fifth Street	09954	Computer	7010	HFWMN22
Fifth Street	09955	Computer	7010	HFYNN22
Fifth Street	09956	Computer	7010	HG2KP22

Fifth Street	09985	Computer	7010	HG5PN22
Fifth Street	11751	Chromebook	11	4RFNLF2
Fifth Street	12755	Computer	3050	2SM7GQ2
West Point High School North	09566	Computer	7010	4DK78Z1
West Point High School North	09742	Computer	7010	CJKDV12
West Point High School North	09994	Computer	7010	GTJ2W02
West Point High School North	10177	Teach	ICD02-01	2SF3B914
West Point High School South	7827	Computer	760	CD28511
West Point High School South	09733	Computer	7010	CJKBV12
West Point High School South	09741	Computer	7010	CJMDV12
West Point High School South	10897	Chromebook	11	1FTD8B2
West Point High School South	12900	Chromebook	C202S	K4NXCX01290016
Learning Center	8367	Computer	780	115J3M1

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, second by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board approved the write-off of checks over one year old as follows:

PAYEE	CHECK #	DATE	AMOUNT
<i>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLEARING</i>			
Effie Morrison	22903	12/7/20	\$75.00
Morgan Bowens	22915	12/14/20	\$16.95
NEMBDA	23032	1/13/21	\$80.00

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board voted to rescind the approval of the highest/best bids for the sale of buses approved by the Board on September 14, 2020. The Board authorized re-advertisement for new bids for sales of vehicles. Her motion was seconded by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously by the Board.

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, second by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the following merchant specific credit cards to be used by district employees:

- Fuelman
- Hobby Lobby
- Lowe's
- Sams
- Wal Mart

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved Ethos Contracting Group LLC as the lowest and best bid for the construction contract at Fifth Street School. Bids received were as follows:

Ethos Contracting Group, LLC	\$3,141,229
Burks-Mordecai Builders, Inc.	\$3,374,380
Weathers Construction	\$3,591,400
Flagstar Construction	\$4,036,000

Elizabeth Bailey made a motion to adopt policy DJI - Use of District Credit Cards in accordance with recommendations from the State Auditor and MS Department of Finance and Administration Offices. Her motion was seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously by the Board.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the out-of-state travel request by Bruce Mize and MacArthur Hilbert, teachers at West Point High School,

to take approximately fifty (50) students to the National WWII Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana on March 25, 2022. They will be accompanied by five (5) chaperones and will travel by charter bus.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board approved the out-of-state travel request by third grade teachers at South Side Elementary to take approximately one hundred fifty eight (158) students to the Memphis Zoo in Memphis, Tennessee on May 20, 2022. They will be accompanied by forty (40) chaperones and will travel by charter bus.

Tommy Coleman made a motion to approve the request to reschedule the regular March Board meeting from Monday, March 14, 2022 to Monday, March 21, 2022 due Spring Break being the week of March 14-21, 2022, therefore, schools will be closed. His motion was seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously by the Board.

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, second by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the retirement of certified personnel as follows:

Jeanette Longstreet Special Services Director Central Office (effective 6/30/2022)

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the resignations of certified personnel as follow:

Shannon Bacot Librarian Fifth Street (effective 5/26/2022)
Danica Hardy Math Teacher Fifth Street (effective 5/26/2022)

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board voted to deny the resignation of certified personnel, which is a detriment to the district, as follows:

Shadaria Coffey 4th Grade ELA South Side (effective 2/7/2022)

Elizabeth Bailey made a motion to pursue the suspension of Shadaria Coffey’s educator’s license for a period of one (1) school year with the Mississippi Department of Education as her resignation is a detriment to the district. Her motion was second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously by the Board.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved recommendations of certified personnel as follow:

Yashundra Bobo Math Interventionist (Fund 2594) Cert: A
WPHS - South Exp.: 11 years
Salary: \$18,766 (82 days)
Cobie Dent Lead Teacher/Behavior Specialist Salary: \$27,543.31 (97 days)

After School Recommendations - ESSER II Funds (2594) - \$35/hour

West Clay Teachers

Melinda Crowley
Virginia Huffman

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the change in the after school rate of pay (effective 1/20/2022) as follows:

Facilitators \$40/hour
Teachers \$35/hour
Assistant Teachers \$25/hour
Assistant Teachers in the role of teacher \$35/hour
High School Tutors \$35/hour (Title I - 2211)
Administrative Assistants \$25/hour (ESSER - 2594)

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, second by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the retirement of non-certified employees as follows:

Carolyn Golson Administrative Assistant Central Office (effective 6/30/22)
James Michael Randle Custodial Supervisor Maintenance (effective 6/30/22)

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the resignations of non-certified personnel as follow:

Alicia White	Assistant Teacher	Church Hill (effective 2/4/22)
Tamiko Davis	Assistant Teacher	Fifth Street (effective 2/11/22)
Ciara Powell	Cafeteria Worker	WPHS-S (effective 1/31/22)

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved employment recommendations of non-certified personnel as follow:

Transfer

Debbie Kelly	From Church Hill	To East Side
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Assistant Teachers

Carson Embry	Church Hill	\$6,340.11 (A-0 @ 76 days)
Catherine Karl	South Side	\$5,756.15 (A-0 @ 69 days)

Custodians:

Ja'Liyah Gladney	Church Hill	\$5,056 (A-0 @ 8 hrs @ 79 days)
Sasha Haynes	South Side	\$6,598.08 (A-9 @ 69 days)
Abner Tallie	WPHS - North	\$10,902 (A-26 @ 8 hrs @ 79 days)

After School - ESSER II Funds (2594) - \$25/hour

Carson Embry	Church Hill	Assistant Teacher
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Upon motion made by Israel Lee, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved employment recommendations of certified personnel for 2022-2023 as follow:

Central Office Administrators

Reita Humphries *	Assistant Superintendent Instruction & Federal Programs
Susan A. Cothren *	Business Manager
Kris Hollis	Director of Testing & Curriculum
Mechelle Welch	Director of Technology and Security Services
Rickey Melton	Maintenance Director
Susan Byars	Director of Child Nutrition
Chris Chambless *	Athletic Director

Building Administrators:

Jacqueline Gray	East Side Preschool/Kindergarten
Cindy Donahoo	Church Hill Elementary
Casey Glusenkamp	South Side Elementary
Brad Cox	West Clay Elementary
Richard Bryant	Fifth Street School
Wynesther Cousins	West Point High School - North Campus
Kendall Pickens	West Point High School - South Campus
Patrick Ray	Career and Technology Center
Steve Parker	West Point Learning Center

* Pending Certification

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, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board went into executive session. The board chairman, Gene Brown, announced that the Board would be going into executive session for the purpose of discussion of a student transfer request, student release request, and a legal matter.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the transfer of Bentli Bobo from Starkville Oktibbeha Consolidated School District to attend West Point Consolidated School District for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year based on employment of parent, Yashundra Bobo with the West Point Consolidated School District. No funds will be transferred and no transportation will be provided.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board denied the request from parent, Montana Mathis, to release her child, Braxton Mathis, from the West Point Consolidated School District to attend Houston School District for the 2022-2023 school year.

Following discussion, Elizabeth Bailey moved that the meeting be reopened to the public. Her motion, seconded by Israel Lee was unanimously approved.

There being no further business, upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, second by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the meeting was duly adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary