

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, October 5, 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, Lucy Hasselman and Keith Williams and Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board Beth Cross. Assistant Superintendent Thomas Spencer was absent.

Approve Agenda

Approval of the October 5, 2023 Agenda.

Superintendent's Report

No board action was taken.

Attorney's Report

None

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the September 21, 2023 and September 28, 2023 board meetings.

Consent Agenda

The board voted for:

- A. Approval of the September 2023 Docket of Claims and Summary of Accounts Payable.
- B. Approval of the change in bank signers at various locations in the district.
- C. Approval of an affiliation agreement with the City of Olive Branch Fire Department.
- D. Approval of an affiliation agreement with the City of Olive Branch Police Department.
- E. Approval of an amended contract with Instructure, Inc.
- F. Approval of an amended contract with Kelly Services, Inc.
- G. Approval of an amended contract with Office Management Systems, Inc. dba Logista.
- H. Approval of a contract with Alex Isom.
- I. Approval of a contract with Bluff City Party and Events.
- J. Approval of a contract with Book Systems, Inc.
- K. Approval of a contract with Custom Resources LLC.
- L. Approval of a contract with Donna Lackey.
- M. Approval of a contract with Four Seasons Tours, Inc.
- N. Approval of a contract with Hemker Portraits.
- O. Approval of a contract with Herff Jones.
- P. Approval of a contract with Herff Jones.
- Q. Approval of a contract with Jennifer Rushton.

- R. Approval of a contract with Jennifer Rushton.
- S. Approval of a contract with Learn2earn Corporation dba Whooo's Reading.
- T. Approval of a contract with Learning A – Z.
- U. Approval of a contract with Mississippi Wrestling Officials (MSWO).
- V. Approval of a contract with Motorola Solutions.
- W. Approval of a contract with Music Theatre International.
- X. Approval of a contract with Music Theatre International.
- Y. Approval of a contract with Orpheum Theatre Group.
- Z. Approval of a contract with Our Group Tour.
- AA. Approval of a contract with Our Group Tour.
- BB. Approval of a contract with Playhouse on the Square.
- CC. Approval of a contract with Renaissance Learning, Inc.
- DD. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- EE. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Products and Awards.
- FF. Approval of a contract with Scientific Minds LLC.
- GG. Approval of a contract with Super Duper, Inc.
- HH. Approval of a contract with Taylor Publishing Company dba Balfour.
- II. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- JJ. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- KK. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- LL. Approval of a contract with Varsity, 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 World's Finest Chocolate.
- VV. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Achievement School District.

- WW. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Marshall County School District
- XX. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Shelby County School District
- YY. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Tate County School District.
- ZZ. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Tunica County School District.
- AAA. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Shelby County School District.
- BBB. Approval to advertise for bids for additional single mode fiber for internal connections for middle and high schools (ERate reimbursable).
- CCC. Approval to advertise for bids for Olive Branch High School rewire (ERate reimbursable).
- DDD. Approval to advertise for bids for desktop computers for the DeSoto County School District.
- EEE. Approval to submit to the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors a Request for Maintenance of the school bus turnarounds.
- FFF. Approval to place on hold the Family and Consumer Science teacher unit at Horn Lake High School for SY2023-2024.
- GGG. Approval of the October 2023 spreadsheet detailing the present status of grants.
- HHH. Approval of FY21 MCAPS Budget Revision 4 ARP ESSER for the Federal Programs Department.
- III. Approval of the FY2022-2023 Final Amended Budget, a copy of which is on file in the Office of Business and Finance.
- JJJ. Approval of the FY2023-2024 Educational Interpreter Funds Application.
- KKK. Approval of FY2023-2024 Positive Behavior Specialist Application.
- LLL. Approval of the following FY24 New Budget Fund:
Fund 3043 2023 Limited Tax Note
- MMM. Approval of Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.
Approval of denied Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.

New Business

- Approval to pay an invoice pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. §31-7-57 (2).
- B. Approval to pay an invoice pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. §31-7-57 (2).
- C. Approval to rescind Board Policy GBQAB – Twenty-Five Percent Employee Phase Out.
- D. Approval of revised Board Policy DJEC – Federal Purchasing and Procurement.
- E. Approval of revised Board Policy IDAG – Dual Enrollment.
- F. Approval of revised Board Policy JG – School Wellness Policy.
- G. Approval of employment recommendations.
- H. Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Public Comment

None

Request to Appear before the Board

Request to appear will be heard in Executive Session.

Executive Session – Action Taken

The board heard student discipline matters and the request to appear.

The board recessed until Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.