

October 14, 2024

The Board of Trustees of the West Point Consolidated School District met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, October 14, 2024, 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 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 follows:

1. Minutes – Regular Meeting - September 9, 2024
Special Meeting - September 18, 2024
2. Check Preview Register

Dr. Jermaine Taylor, superintendent, presented Anna Ramsey, Counselor at Church Hill, with a certificate of appreciation honoring her contributions and dedication to the district, students, and community.

Jon Oswalt, principal of Church Hill Elementary, presented student data. He also discussed some of the programs and interventions being implemented for the students.

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

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, 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 #
East Side	13653	UPS	1000	2942HY0SM826700612
East Side	17624	Chromebook	CBX360	5CD116QYSD
East Side	17939	iPad	8 th Gen	FNXGQ1SSQ1GC
Church Hill	17612	Chromebook	CBX360	5CD116R0RP
Fifth Street	17200	Laptop	3551	907SDB3
WPHS-S	17257	Macbook	N/A	FVFF23R5Q05G

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the hereto attached 2023-2024 Amended Budget in compliance with Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), §37-61-21.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the corrected financial statements for the month/fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved revisions to the Support Staff Salary Scale changes.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board approved Sports Con as a single source vendor for Bottom Lift Grand Slam Batting Cage for the WPHS Baseball.

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the hereto attached contract agreements with Delta Rehab, The Excellence Group, Kids First (Oak Hill), LJP, Educational Consulting, Performace Based Edcucation Co., Charles L. Shivers CPA and Ballfrog.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Laquante Pruitt, and passed unanimously, the Board accepted a monetary donation of \$212,500.00 from Mary Kirkpatrick-Haskell, Mary Sprayberry School Nurse Grant to the West Point Consolidated School District..

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board accepted a monetary donation from "Vertical Raise" for \$5,295.20. Roger Burton, coach, participated in a crowdfunding project to raise funds for the West Point High athletic department for the 2024-2025 football season.

Tommy Coleman made a motion to accept \$1000.00 from Fun-Tastic Promotions to JROTC program at West Point High School. His motion was seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously by the Board.

Policy EFC - Use of Artificial Intelligence, was presented for a first reading.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board approved to table the revision to polices IA - Virtual Classroom, II - Testing Program, JBDE - Reporting Attendance for Virtual Learning and JCA - Student Conduct.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revision to policy BDC - Board Policy Adoption.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revision to policy IHE - Promotion and Retention.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the rescinding of policy JRA - Student Directory Information.

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revision to policy JRAB - Compliance with FERPA

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the bid submitted by Bank of America to finance West Point Consolidated School District's master tax-exempt lease/purchase pending review of legal document.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the resignation of certified personnel as follows: (Not a Detriment)

Kyetta Richardson Interventionist East Side (effective 10/14/24)

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

Lillie Jones Kindergarten Teacher Cert: A
East Side Exp.: 2 yrs.
Salary:\$31,259 (135 days)

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

Kameka Bradshaw Cafeteria Worker South Side (effective 10/1/24)

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved employment recommendations of non-certified employees as follows:

Nurse:
Ashley Morris Fifth Street \$34,616.25 (0 yr @ 153 days)

Assistant Teacher:
Sheilah Moore East Side (Title I) \$13,745.45 (13 yrs @136 days)
Jennifer Townsend West Clay (Title I) \$13,176.47 (0 yrs @ 140 days)

Maintenance:
Rafael Harrison Custodian/WPHS-North \$10,640 (A-0@8 hrs. @ 133 dsys)

Maintenace (Intersession Work as needed):

Maurice Bowen - \$14/hour
Joel Mitchell - \$10.75/hour
George Randle - \$10.25/hour

Supplement / Athletic Supplements:

Anfernee Brand - Asst. Varsity Baseball	\$2,012
Noah Lawson - JV Assistant Baseball	\$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 Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board went into executive session to discussion the student discipline report. There were no public attendees at the meeting for the chairman to announce executive session.

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

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



Chairman



Secretary