

OPP CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE
Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.
Called Board Meeting

A. Call to Order

Dr. Walter Burgess, Board President, called the meeting to order.

B. Roll Call

Those present:

Dr. Walter Burgess
Mr. Merrill Culverhouse
Dr. Katie Fuller
Mr. Andrew McCord
Dr. Lori Stanfield

C. Approval of Agenda

- a. Mr. Andrew McCord moved to accept the agenda as presented. Dr. Katie Fuller seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

D. New Business

- a. Discussion of Superintendent Search

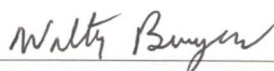
The Board conducted a discussion regarding the Superintendent search. Dr. Burgess shared that 21-applicants had applied for the position and the selection was narrowed down to 5 potential candidates for interviews. The potential candidates that were interviewed were Mr. Brent Jones, Mr. Ray Wilson, Mr. Tyler Booker, Mr. Shawn Short and Mr. Matt Blake. These candidates were ranked following their interviews as follows: Mr. Matt Blake – 25 points, Mr. Tyler Booker – 20 points, Mr. Shawn Short – 15 points and Mr. Brent Jones – 15 points. Dr. Burgess shared that Mr. Ray Wilson withdrew his name as a potential candidate prior to the rankings. Dr. Burgess also explained the points system for each candidate sharing that each Board Member ranked their top candidate with 10 points and their second candidate with 5 points. The Board conducted further discussion regarding the candidates narrowing the selection process down to Mr. Matt Blake, Mr. Shawn Short and Mr. Brent Jones. It was further decided by the Board to bring Mr. Brent Jones back for a second interview as Dr. Fuller was not present at his first interview. Mr. Mike Jones, Board Attorney, will reach out to Mr. Brent Jones for a possible second interview to be held on Friday, May 15th. No action was taken.

E. Adjourn

There being no further business, Dr. Walter Burgess moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Andrew McCord seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous vote.



Mr. Ted Watson, Acting Superintendent



Dr. Walter Burgess, Board President