## Regular Meeting

## February 10, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the West Point Consolidated School District met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, February 10, 2025, 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 of Instruction and Federal Programs; Susan Cothren, Business Manager; and Angela Turner Ford, Board Attorney attended by phone

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 Israel Lee, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved consent items and ratified claims on the check preview register as follows:

- 1. Minutes Regular Meeting January 13, 2025
- 2. Check Preview Register

Richard Bryant, principal, at the Learning Center presented to the Board information on the changes involving the enrollment and accountability.

Dr. Jermaine Taylor, superintendent, presented Jamie Hodnett-Lee, special education teacher at the Learning Center, with a certificate of appreciation honoring her contributions and dedication to the district, students, and community.

Dr. Jermaine Taylor, superintendent, presented the "WPHS Monthly updates for January and February ruquired be MDE.

Dr. Jermaine Taylor, superintendent, announced that Governor Tate Reeves proclaimed February 17-21, 2025 as "School Board Member Recognition Week" for the State of Mississippi. Dr. Taylor presented each Board member with a gift of appreciation honoring their contributions and dedication to the district, students, and community.

After discussion, Laquante Pruitt moved approval of the December financial statements. Her motion was seconded by Elizabeth Bailey, and unanimously approved by the Board.

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

SCHOOL	ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	MODEL#	SERIAL#
IT	14705	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD034DDP4
Church Hill	15182	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD0349VVR
Church Hill	15192	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD0346K6L
Church Hill	7712	Chromebook	11MK	5CD1201J8R
South Side	14294	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD0346LR8
South Side	15088	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD0346K7D
South Side	15377	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD034J5JY
South Side	15381	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD034J34Z
South Side	16014	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD0346GW8
South Side	16096	Chromebook	11 G8 EE	5CD0349VYJ
WPHS-N	16969	IPad Pro	Pro	DMPDG8KHPV03

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

SCHOOL	TRACKING#	DESCRIPTION	MODEL#	SERIAL#
Career & Technology Center	WP965	System Mechanical Tester	950-MEI	445290

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the hereto attached contractual agreements with Dex Imaging, Equitable Employee Benefits, Pitney Bowes and UA Athletic Agreement.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board accepted a donation of equipment for West Point Consolidated School District's Pre-K students through the Institute of Community Services.

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board accepted a monetary donation of \$2,500.00 to the Athletic Department from Southern Ionices Incorporated.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the Board approved the out-of-state travel request by Kahla Thomas, teacher at West Point High School, to take approximately 48 NHS students to Gradnite at Six Flags, in Atlanta, GA on May 2, 2025. They will be accompanied by 4 chaperones and will travel by charter bus.

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revisions to Policy IA - Distance Learning, Blended Learning and Online Courses.

Upon motion made by Tommy Coleman, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revisions to Policy II - Testing Program.

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revisions to Policy JBDE - Reporting Attendance for Virtual Learning.

Upon motion made by Israel Lee, seconded by Tommy Coleman and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revisions to Policy JCA - Student Conduct.

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Bailey, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved the revisions to Policy GBRE - Professional Personnel Extra Duty.

Elizabeth Bailey made a motion to approve the request to reschedule the regular March Board meeting from Monday, March 10, 2025, to Monday, March 17, 2025, due to Spring Break being the week of March 10-14, 2025. Her 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 accepted the resignations of certified personnel as follows:

Alison Reed

Sped Teacher

Church Hill (effective 4/11/2025)

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

following Intersession recommendations will all be paid with District Funds (1120-9001260-000-111-department #) \$40/hour unless otherwise noted:

East Side

Contessa Ewing - Sub Facilitator

Danyelle Gibbs Newassa Howard

Newassa Howard Lillie Jones - Sub Melissa McKinney Syrena Shelton Nichhi Stovall

## Church Hill

Grace Adams

Anna Coker

Stephanie Craven

Monica Johnson

Tara Lowery - Sub

Gina Pearson Alison Reed - Facilitator (\$45/hour)

Sara Rimmer

Katherine Mitchell

South Side

Bettye Banks - Sub

Devan Boatner

Jessica Glusenkamp - Facilitator (\$45/hour) Emma Hicks - Sub

LeeAnn Jenkins

Laura McBrayer

Garnett McDaniel

Julia McDill

Caroline Pochop

Ashley Wooten

West Clay

Tracy Arnold

Melinda Crowley

Roteryia Ford Mary Hays

Lacie Pumphrey - Facilitator (\$45/hour)

Hannah Snow

Porshe Washington - Sub

following Intersession recommendations will all be paid with District Funds (1120-9001260-000-111department #) \$40/hour unless otherwise noted (cont.):

Fifth Street

Andrea Adams

Annetta Bouldes

Kayla Brown

Sarah Ewing

Jeffery Jones

Shycambree Sanders

Christina White - Facilitator (\$45/hour)

Kim Wilson

**WPHS** 

Sherisse Carino Arlander Gathing

Shalonda Nance

Perry Price

Lamerica Richardson Shanequa Robbins

Kasey Trainer

Monica Webb - Facilitator (\$45/hour)

The Learning Center

Demetria Stewart - Facilitator/Teacher (\$45/hour)

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Elizabeth Bailey and passed unanimously, the Board accepted the resignations of non-certified personnel as follows:

Alyssa Julien

Assistant Teacher

East Side (effective 2/14/25)

Curtisha Lenoir

Assistant Teacher

East Side (effective 1/13/25)

Jamyiah McKinney

Assistant Teacher Cafeteria Worker

West Clay (effective 1/17/25)

Dianisha Gray Cynethia Quinn

Cafeteria Worker

WPHS - S (effective 1/29/25) South Side (effective 1/7/25)

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

Maintenance:

Tavaris Hawkins

**HVAC** Technician

\$22,617.39 (4 yrs. @ 102 days)

Child Nutrition:

Beaunka Grice Mary Hogan

Brittany Powell Makeska Shoemaker South Side

East Side South Side \$5,362.50 (65 days, 7.50 hrs/day at step A-4)

\$2,730 (65 days, 4hrs/day at step A-2) \$6,123.75 (71 days, 7.50 hrs/day at step A-6)

WPHS - South

\$4,875 (65 days, 7.50 hrs/day at step A-0)

following Intersession recommendations will all be paid with District Funds (1120-9001260-000-112-

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## department #) \$30/hour:

East Side

Pearlie Smith

Bernice Thomas-Johnson

Elizabeth Ward - Sub

Church Hill

Syndy Andrews (Title I funds)

Britney Boyd

Shirley Ewing (Title I funds)

Tammy Hamby Valerie Smith

Jaiyatta Walker (Title I funds)

South Side

Courtney Ward

West Clay

Lorie Parker

Jennifer Townsend

Supplements/Athletic Supplements:

Joy Carino - Piano for Choir

\$500 \$1,038

Emma Hicks - JV Assistant Softball

Upon motion made by Laquante Pruitt, seconded by Israel Lee and passed unanimously, the Board approved lump sum leave payments to retiring employees as follows:

Jericho Bates

\$2,650.00

At this time, Israel Lee recused himself from the meeting.

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

following Intersession recommendations will all be paid with District Funds (1120-9001260-000-111-department #) \$40/hour unless otherwise noted:

East Side

Kara Lee - Facilitator (\$45/hour)

Israel Lee re-entered the meeting at this time.

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. The board chairman, Gene Brown, announced that the Board would be going into executive session for the purpose of discussion of student discipline report and personnel.

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 Laquante Pruitt and passed unanimously, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Chairman

Egiabeth Bailey
Secretary