

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, January 4, 2024 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 and Jerald Wheeler. Also present were the Superintendent of Education Cory Uselton; Board Attorney Jim Keith; Assistant Superintendents Van Alexander, Lucy Hasselman, Thomas Spencer and Keith Williams and Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board Beth Cross. Board Member Shelia Riley was absent.

Approve Agenda

Approval of the January 4, 2024 Agenda.

Superintendent's Report

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Attorney's Report

Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the December 7, 2023 board meeting and the December 12, 2023 Special Called Meeting.

Consent Agenda

The board voted for:

- A. Approval of the December 2023 Docket of Claims and Summary of Accounts Payable.
- B. Approval of the November 2023 Activity Fund Receipts and Disbursements Report.
- C. Approval to accept the Donations and Contributions.
- D. Approval of an amended contract with Kronos SaaS, Inc.
- E. Approval of a contract with Alex Isom.
- F. Approval of a contract with Austin Smith.
- G. Approval of a contract with Carrie Smith.
- H. Approval of a contract David Pickett dba DNA Entertainment.
- I. Approval of a contract with Derick Culver Entertainment.
- J. Approval of a contract with Gary Gold.
- K. Approval of a contract with Glazier Clinics.
- L. Approval of a contract with Hailey Witt.
- M. Approval of a contract with Hicks Convention.
- N. Approval of a contract with Mears Destination Services, Inc.
- O. Approval of a contract with Mears Destination Services, Inc.
- P. Approval of a contract with Music Theatre International.
- Q. Approval of a contract with Ohioyle Prints, Inc.
- R. Approval of a contract with Pel Industries, Inc.

- S. Approval of a contract with Scholastic Book Fairs.
- T. Approval of a contract with School Datebooks.
- U. Approval of a contract with Theatre Memphis.
- V. Approval of a contract with ThinkMap Inc. dba Vocabulary.com.
- W. Approval of a contract with Total Transportation Solutions, Inc.
- X. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- Y. Approval of a contract with Varsity, Inc.
- Z. Approval of a contract with View Plus Technologies, Inc.
- AA. Approval of a contract with World's Finest Chocolate.
- BB. Approval of MDE Educator in Residence Application for a three-year term.
- CC. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between DeSoto County Schools and Health Connect America, Inc.
- DD. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between Mississippi University for Women (MUW) and DeSoto County School District.
- EE. Approval to advertise for bids for internet filter services for DeSoto County Schools.
- FF. Approval for Lewisburg High School, Lake Cormorant High School, Olive Branch Middle School and DeSoto Central Middle School to participate in a Youth Tobacco Survey per Board Policy IIA – Testing and Student Surveys.
- GG. Approval of Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.
Approval of denied Student Transfer Requests for SY2023-2024.

New Business

- A. Approval of a bid for beef and breakfast sausage for the Child Nutrition Department.
- B. Approval of employment recommendations.
- C. Request for consideration of Executive Session.
- D. Request for consideration of Executive Session.

Public Comment

None

Request to Appear before the Board

None

Executive Session – Action Taken

The board heard the student matter regarding preschool, a facility use matter, two property contract matters, the residency appeal matter and the student discipline matters.

There being no further business to come before the board recessed the meeting until Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.