

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE RECESSED MEETING OF THE
DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BE IT REMEMBERED that the DeSoto County Board of Education met in recessed session on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at 12:30 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 Secretary Josh Sullivan and Board Members Michele Henley, Jerald Wheeler and Shelia Riley. Also present were the Superintendent of Education Cory Uselton; Assistant Superintendents Van Alexander, Lucy Hasselman, Thomas Spencer and Keith Williams and Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board Beth Cross. Board Member and President Charles Barton and Board Attorney Jim Keith were absent. Board Member and Secretary Josh Sullivan served as Acting Chairperson in the absence of Board President Charles Barton.

Approve Agenda

Approval of the September 28, 2023 Agenda.

New Business

A. At Mr. Uselton's request, Ryan Kuykendall, Chief Accountability Officer made a presentation to the board of the 2022-20223 Accountability Results highlighting elementary, middle and high school accountability, proficiency and growth definitions for all grade levels, the EL component, Kindergarten Readiness, District data from SY2015-2016 through SY2022-2023 and the overall state ranking for each school. Mr. Kuykendall informed the board that DeSoto County School District continues to be an "A" district and thanked the board members, school and district personnel for the daily efforts to make DeSoto County Schools successful. An opportunity was given for questions or comments. No board action was taken.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Uselton stated it was an honor to serve as the Superintendent of DeSoto County Schools. He thanked teachers, administrators, the academic team and school board for the support and efforts made in overcoming obstacles during the past three years. The team efforts have kept DeSoto County Schools at an "A" level in the state accountability model.

The board adjourned the meeting until Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.