

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF LAFAYETTE

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Lafayette County School District held on September 5, 2023 at 6:15 p.m. in the Commons at Lafayette High School, Oxford, Mississippi as advertised. The meeting was duly called to order in open session by Mr. Mike Gooch, Member from District 4.

Members present were:

Dr. Jamie Anderson - Member from District 1
Dr. Judith Thompson - Member from District 3
Mr. Mike Gooch - President and Member from District 4
Mrs. Kathy Worley – Secretary and Member from District 5

Absent were :

Mrs. Kimberly East - Member from District 2

Present were:

Mr. Jay Foster - Superintendent
Mr. Shea Scott - Board Attorney

Visitors Present:

Mr. Patrick Robinson - Assistant Superintendent
Ms Suzanne Ryals - Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Chad Chism - Director of Federal Programs
Mr. Bryan White – Director of Finances
Mrs. Haley Wilson - Curriculum-Technology Specialist
Mrs. Michelle Odom- Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Mrs. Leslie Covington - Director of Special Services
Mr. Greg Lewis - Director of Athletics
Mr. Jonathan Grantham - SRO
LHS Students who received recognition
Parents of those students

In the matter of agenda:

Mrs. Kathy Worley made a motion to adopt the agenda. Dr. Judith Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Board Minutes from August 1, 2023. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

In the matter of Presentations:

Dr. Thomas Tillman and Mr. Ryan Taylor recognized the MAAP highest and perfect score students on state testing. The students and parents left the meeting at this time.

Mr. Robinson recognized the August Employee of the Month, Mrs. Venice Boles

Ms Cara Buffington gave a report on the Summer Early Childhood Reading Development program. Ms Buffinton left the meeting at this time.

Mr. Alan Wright requested to speak to the board in regards to a parent's perspective on several issues. The board will consider the items discussed.

In the matter of Public Comments:

There were no public comments

In District matters:

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Central Access Corporation renewal for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve changes in the following policies: AACB, BAAA, BBBE, BCAC, CNA, GBA, GBRM-2, IDAG, IFG, IHA, IJ-R, IJ, JJABC, JCDAFF, JFABB

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to amend the motion to approve policies other than policy IFG and consider policy IFG at a future meeting. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to vote on the motion as amended. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion as amended passed unanimously. (4-0)

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Ole Miss Field Education Affiliation Agreement for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to approve the request to use facilities by Mr. Haggard. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the request to use facilities by EC SOX. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Food Service Procurement Plan for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Intercom payment application no. 5. Dr. Jamie Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to approve the Roof replacement/repair payment application no. 4. Dr. Judith Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Windows payment application no. 6. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Athletic Bid from BSN for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Student Drug Testing Bid for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Mrs. Kathy Worley made a motion to approve the new Assistant Golf Coach position with a recommendation of Mr. James Easley for the 2023-2024 school year. Dr. Judith Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the Workers Compensation renewal for 2023-2024 school year. Dr. Jamie Anderson seconded the motion. After a brief discussion Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to table this recommendation pending receipt of further information. Dr. Jamie Anderson seconded the motion and the motion to table passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the agreement with Readsters for Professional development for literacy intervention for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

In Fiscal matters:

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the July financial statements. Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0). Exhibit #1

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to approve the September District Claim Docket numbers 85135-85524 and OLSAT numbers 512457-512479. Dr. Judith Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0). Exhibit #2

In Personnel matters:

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to approve the following Personnel resignations:

Kelly Gillick, LES TA eff. 8-2-23

Rashundra Riley, LES TA eff. 7-28-23

Cathy Reese, LES Library Assistant eff. 8-8-23

Shaquita Curry, Bus Monitor #316, eff 8-1-23

Joe Fortenberry, BUs Driver eff 8-16-23

Tony Wortham, Food Service Worker eff. 7-1-2023

Easton Hall, LHS Special Ed Teacher eff 8-14-23

Dr. Judith Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to approve the following Personnel recommendations:

Tina Vaner - New full time position

Kewan Owens, LES TA replacing Kelley Gullick

Julie White, LES Library Assistant replacing Cathy Reese

Stephanie Young, LUES Custodian replacing Keunte Hill

Gabrielle Smith, LHS Intervention Specialist replacing Easton Hall

Allena Bratton, Food Service substitute eff 8-3-23

Karin Elmore, Food Service worker eff 7-27-23

Caitlyn Rhea, Paraprofessional Soccer Coach

Long Term Sub temporary change in pay, Anna Bruno

Cafeteria Sub list

Nurse Sub list

Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Jamie Anderson made a motion to approve the Assistant Shooting Sport Assistant Coach, Chris Roy for the 2023-2024 school year. Dr. Judith Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

In Student matters:

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the following employee children Transfer request:

Conner Wilson Moore	from Tupelo
Leah Harris	from Water Valley
Sarah Elizabeth Calderwood	from Oxford

Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the following student release request:

M'Lahjah Dukes	11th grade	Parent is employed by Oxford School District
Jayla Dukes	6th grade	
Jaida Dukes	5th grade	

Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Dr. Judith Thompson made a motion to approve the following student expulsion for one calendar year:

Student expulsion - 001298764 - JPA

Mrs. Kathy Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

In Transportation matters:

Mrs. Kathy Worley made a motion to approve the following LMS field trip:

AshleyCox students to Kroger 8-18-23

Dr. Jamie Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Mrs. Kathy Worley made a motion to approve the following LHS field trips:

ROTC students to Discovery Park of America, Union City, TN 9-22-23

9-12 students to Raymond, Leadership Conference 9-15, 9-16, 9-22, 9-23

FFA Students to Starkville, MS 9-21-23, Jackson, MS 10-8-23

Dr. Judith Thompson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

In Information matters:

Mr. Greg Lewis presented possible changes to policy EBH-School Facility Rental. This would include the structure and amount charged to use our facilities.

Mr. Jay Foster shared the Accreditation summary for the 2023-2024 school year.

Mr. Patrick Robinson gave an update on the Preliminary Accountability results 2023 and shared an update on the August 2023 enrollment status.

The following policies were submitted for review in September 2023:
ABCD, ABCE, AC, ACC, ADA, ADB, AE, AEA, AEAA, AEAB

Mrs. Haley Wilson gave an update on Apptegy for the District, how it works and where we are digitally. She also discussed how this would be beneficial to all students, faculty, staff and community.

Mr. Greg Lewis shared an architectural rendering of a future field house. He stated what the condition of the current field house is in and the district is growing and we are running out of space.

Ms Suzanne Ryals reviewed the Early Literacy Conference Booklet and gave an update on implementation plans for the district.

In closing:

Mrs. Kathy Worley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Jamie Anderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

The meeting was adjourned.


Chairman


Superintendent

ATTEST: 
Secretary