

**Regular**  
**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**12:00 PM - Hancock Leadership Center, 5:00 PM Pierce Street Elementary School**  
**March 5, 2013**

**MISSION**

**The Tupelo Public School District serves the community by engaging each student in an excellent education that develops skills and citizenship needed for success in a global society.**

**DISTRICT GOALS FOR 2012-2013**

- 1. Increase student achievement across the District.**
- 2. Provide a safe and orderly environment in all schools.**
- 3. Improve, develop and retain human capital.**
- 4. Improve internal and external communication.**
- 5. Increase management effectiveness and efficiency.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM, AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ITEMS**

- A. Election of Board Officers  
Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims
- B. Appointment of Legal Counsel  
Presenter: Board President
- C. Posting of Public Notices  
Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims
- D. Appointment of Recording Secretary  
Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims
- E. Authorization of District Signatures for District Financial Accounts  
Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims
- F. Consideration to Adopt Previously Approved Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibits  
Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims
- G. Appointment of Board Audit Committee to Review TPSD 2012-2013 Audit  
Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims

**IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Presenter: Ms. Patrice Tate, Recording Secretary

- A. February 12, 2013 Noon and 5:00 PM Regular Meetings

**V. WELCOME, PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- A. Welcome  
Presenter: Mr. Kenneth Goralczyk
- B. Public Comments
- C. Recognitions (TPSD Goal #3)
  1. TPSD and City of Tupelo 2013 Governor's Award
  2. PREPS Value Added Award -- Tupelo Middle School SATP2 Algebra I
  3. Tupelo High School Cheerleaders -- Won State Championship and Placed 7th at Nationals
  4. District III DECA Advisor of the Year -- Tupelo High School Teacher Brookes Mayes
  5. Tupelo High School DECA Students Place at State Tournament
  6. Tupelo High School Soundwave -- 1st Place at Jackson Academy Show Choir Invitational
  7. Announcement of 2013 TPSD Administrator of the Year -- Milam Principal Mr. Travis Beard
  8. Tupelo High School Student Jacob Manley, Tupelo High School Student Zach Ellis, Tupelo High School Teacher Suzy McGrath, and CPR Instructor Bev Crossen with the Weston Reed Foundation and Beth Ekerd with Junior Auxiliary for handling an emergency at THS
  9. Tupelo High School Theatre Department -- "Almost, Maine" wins 1st Place at Thespain Conference

**VI. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

- A. Talk About It -- Bullying Prevention Program at THS/TMS (TPSD Goal #2)  
Presenter: Mrs. Diana Ezell
- B. Bring Your Own Device (TPSD Goals #1 and #4)  
Presenter: Mrs. Kimberly Britton
- C. Ad Valorem Collections Report (TPSD Goal #5)  
Presenter: Mrs. Linda Pannell

## VII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Office of Director of Finance Mrs. Linda Pannell (TPSD GOAL #5)
  - 1. Contractual Agreements
    - a. Charter Bus Service Contract #BC2012-2013-006
    - b. Contracts for Rental of School Facilities #SFR1327 and #SFR1328 and Revision of #SFR1325
  - 2. Donations #2012-2013-039 through #2012-2013-041
  - 3. Permission to Submit TPSD Grants #1318 and #1319
  - 4. Permission to Accept TPSD Grant #1320
  - 5. Permission to Add 14 Items to the Asset List and Permission to Remove 11 Items from the Asset List
  - 6. Cash Flow Statements for Month Ending January 31, 2013
- B. Office of Assistant Superintendent Dr. Matthew Dillon
  - 1. Student Transfer Report
  - 2. Overnight Field Trip Request (TPSD Goals #2 and #4)
    - a. Tupelo Middle School Bridge Builders, March 4-5, 2013, Jackson, MS
    - b. Tupelo Middle School, Excel Technology Team, April 9-11, 2013, Washington, D.C.
    - c. Tupelo High School, Bridge Builders, March 4-5, 2013, Jackson, MS
    - d. Tupelo High School Mayor's Youth Council, March 1-2, 2013, Hattiesburg, MS
- C. Office of Superintendent Dr. Gearl Loden
  - 1. Request Approval of Appropriate Travel Expenses for three Board members to attend the annual NSBA Conference, April, 12-15, 2013, San Diego, California
  - 2. Approval of Dues for 2013-2014 National School Boards Association (April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014)

## VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Office of Director of Finance Mrs. Linda Pannell (TPSD Goal #5)
  - 1. Docket of Claims for February 2 through February 25, 2013, Docket of Claims #8295 through #8858 in the amount of \$1,271,043.77  
Presenter: Mr. Kenneth Wheeler
  - 2. Financial Statements for Month-Ending January 31, 2013  
Presenter: Mrs. Linda Pannell
  - 3. Review and Consideration for Approval of 2011-2012 Audit Report  
Presenter: Mrs. Linda Pannell
- B. Office of Director of Human Resources Mr. Jim Turner (TPSD Goal #3)
  - 1. Approval of Licensed Staff
- C. Office of Assistant Superintendent Dr. Matthew Dillon (TPSD Goal #2)
  - 1. Student Case #43-02-2012-2013  
Presenter: Mrs. Pamela Traylor
  - 2. Student Case #50-02-2012-2013  
Presenter: Mrs. Pamela Traylor
- D. Office of Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Kimberly Britton (TPSD Goal #1)
  - 1. Consideration for Approval of Camp Possibility, Summer 2013  
Presenter: Mrs. Dale Warriner
- E. Office of Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Diana Ezell (TPSD Goals #1 through #5)
  - 1. Proposed TPSD Policy Changes

- a. Second Reading of New TPSD Policy IEBA Dyslexia
- b. Proposed Amendment to TPSD Policies
  - (1) CA-E Administrative Goals/Priority Objectives: Statement of Ethics
  - (2) CBI Superintendent Evaluation
  - (3) CBJA Dismissal of Superintendent
  - (4) JHB Truancy
  - (5) BID Board Member Compensation
  - (6) BHA School District Logo and/or Motto
  - (7) IKF Graduation Requirements
  - (8) JICC Student Conduct on Buses
  - (9) DKA Payroll Procedures
  - (10) GCQF Suspension and Dismissal of Licensed Staff
- F. Office of Superintendent of Schools Dr. Gearl Loden (TPSD Goal #4)
  - 1. Information Items
    - a. Summary of Mississippi School Boards Association Conference, February 25-27, 2013
    - b. Dual Enrollment Update  
Presenter: Dr. Matthew Dillon
    - c. Whole Schools Arts Initiative
    - d. School Visit (Santa Rosa, FL, March, 2013)
    - e. Miscellaneous

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between City of Tupelo and TPSD for Safe Routes To Schools Grant award, Phase 1  
Presenter: Mrs. Mary Ann Plasencia

XI. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- A. Future Agenda Topics
  - 1. Parent of the Year Recognition (April 9)
  - 2. Staffing Update by Mr. Jim Turner (April 9)
  - 3. Personnel Recommendations for School Year 2013-2014 (April 9)
- B. Consideration of Executive Session

XII. ADJOURNMENT