

**Regular**  
**TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**12:00 PM - Hancock Leadership Center, 5:00 PM Rankin Elementary School**  
**April 21, 2015**

**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 2014-2015**

- 1. Increase student achievement across the District.**
- 2. Provide a safe, secure and orderly environment in all schools.**
- 3. Attract and retain all stakeholders.**
- 4. Maintain sound financial stability.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

**III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Presenter: Mrs. Modesty Shumpert, Recording Secretary

- A. March 17, 2015 Regular Meeting at Noon, Hancock Leadership Center
- B. March 17, 2015, Regular Meeting, 5:00PM, ECEC
- C. March 27, 2015, Special Called Meeting, 2:45PM, Central Administrative Office

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

A. Welcome and Recognition of Rankin Elementary Advisory Council and PTO Officers  
Presenter: Mrs. Amy Barnett, Principal, Rankin Elementary School

B. Recognitions (TPSD Goal #3)

1. West Point Academy Appointment -- THS Senior William Ikerd
2. Mr. Rob Hudson
3. Special Education Department
4. April Employees of the Month
5. District III 2015 DECA Advisor of the Year and 2015 Career Technical Education New Teacher of the Year for State of Mississippi -- THS Teacher Brookes Prince; THS DECA State Winners -- CJ Williams and Neely Brown; 1st Place Winners; 2nd Place Winners; 3rd Place Winners; 5th Place Winners; and 6th Place Winners
6. Lindy Calhan Scholar Athlete Award -- Christina Daniels
7. THS State Championship Bowling Team
8. THS Synergy 2014-2015
9. Structure Crew
10. Gum Tree Writing Winners
11. Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America Scholar -- Caitlin Gardner, THS 11th Grade Student
12. All-State Honor Choir
13. 2015 MSPRA Awards
14. TSA Competition Winners
15. Vocational Early Childhood Education State Winners (Natasha Richey)
16. Barnes and Nobel's "My Favorite Teacher" Award
17. Business Partners -- Donna Loden (Farm to School) and Brent Waldrop (BancorpSouth)

**V. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

- A. Ad Valorem Update (TPSD Goal #4)  
Presenter: Mrs. Rachel Murphree
- B. Audit Report (TPSD Goal #4)  
Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims

## VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Office of Director of Finance Mrs. Rachel Murphree (TPSD GOAL #4)
  - 1. Contractual Agreements
    - a. Contracts to Acknowledge and Accept Contractual Agreements #CO1546 and #CO1547; BC#2014-2015-008 through BC#2014-2015-011; and SFR1522 and SFR1523
  - 2. Accept Donations #2014-2015-039 through #2014-2015-043
  - 3. Request Permission to Add and Delete Items from TPSD Fixed Assets Listing
- B. Office of Assistant Superintendent Dr. Eddie Peasant
  - 1. Student Transfer Report
  - 2. Overnight Field Trip Requests
    - a. Overnight Field Trip to Waukegan, IL for THS Students to attend the FAME National Finals, April 25, 2015
    - b. Overnight Field Trip to Manassas, VA, for THS Aerospace Class (National Rocket Competition Finals), May 7-10, 2015
  - 3. Career-Technical Center Local Plan Update for Fiscal Year 2016
- C. Office of Assistant Superintendent Dr. Diana Ezell
  - 1. Consideration to Adopt Resolution authorizing the Sale of Five Buses and One Truck (Deadline Vehicles) for Salvage
- D. Office of Executive Director of Operations Mr. Andy Cantrell
  - 1. Request Approval of Updated Joint Use Agreement with City of Tupelo
- E. Office of Superintendent Dr. Gearl Loden
  - 1. Request to Authorize Payment of Moving Expense

## VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Office of Director of Finance Mrs. Rachel Murphree (TPSD Goal #4)  
Presenter: Mrs. Rachel Murphree
  - 1. Docket of Claims for March 1, 2015 through April 10, 2015, Docket of Claims #26243 through #27201, Accounts Payable Checks #16493 through #17112, THS Activity Check Register for March, 2015, and Athletic Activity Check Register for March, 2015, for a grand total of \$2,141,553.95.  
Presenter: Mr. Rob Hudson
  - 2. Finance Reports for Month Ending February 28, 2015
    - a. Reconciled Bank Statements Certification
    - b. Statement of Revenue and Expenditures with Current Budget Status by Fund
    - c. Cash Flow Report for District Maintenance Fund
    - d. Consolidated Fund Balance Sheet for all General and Special Revenue Funds
    - e. Monthly Financial Statement
  - 3. Office of Assistant Superintendent Dr. Eddie Peasant  
Presenter: Dr. Eddie Peasant
    - a. Student Discipline Case #41-2-2014-2015 (TPSD Goal #2)
- B. Office of Director of Human Resources Mr. Jim Turner (TPSD Goal #3)
  - 1. Licensed Staff Recommendations
  - 2. Approval of New Job Description and Pay Scale for Office Assistant at One D'Ville Apartments and Occupational Therapist Assistant
    - a. Job Description and Pay Scale for Office Assistant at One D'Ville Apartments
    - b. Job Description and Pay Scale for Occupational Therapist Assistant
    - c. Job Description -- Clerk of the School Board Part Time
    - d. Job Description -- Director of Educational Enhancement and Innovative Research
  - 3. Reemployment of TPSD Licensed Staff for 2015-2016 School Year  
Presenter: Mr. Jim Turner
  - 4. 2015-2016 Salary Schedules -- Teacher (TPSD Board Policy GCBA-E)

Presenter: Mrs. Rachel Murphree

5. Reemployment of 2015-2016 School Administrative Personnel, Building Administrators, Licensed District Administrators and District Wide Positions -- No License Required.

Presenter: Dr. Gearl Loden

- C. Office of Assistant Superintendent Dr. Diana Ezell

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1. Revision to TPSD Policy GBRIA Family and Medical Leave Act

- D. Office of Superintendent Dr. Gearl Loden (TPSD Goal #3)

Presenter: Dr. Gearl Loden

1. Legislative Update

Presenter: Dr. Eddie Moore

2. Summer Projects Update

Presenter: Mr. Andy Cantrell

- a. Permission for Architects JBHM to develop bids for the following projects: Security Cameras, Security Film, Fire and Burglar Alarms, Possibly Canopies, and Cross Country Trail

3. Information Items

- a. Approval of Summer Board Retreat Dates (June 18-19); and Location (HLC)

- b. Reminder of AEE Luncheon, THS Graduation

4. Miscellaneous

## VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. First Reading of 2015-2016 School Handbooks, District Guidebooks and Athletic Handbook Changes

Presenter: Dr. Diana Ezell

- B. Approval of 2015-2016 Awarded AEE Grants

Presenter: Mr. Ryan Roper

- C. Adoption of Resolution Ratifying and Approving the Transfer of the Surplus Funds to the Limited-Tax notes Debit Service Fund

Presenter: Mr. Otis Tims

### X. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- A. Future Agenda Topics -- Dr. Gearl Loden

1. Approval of School Handbooks, Recruiting Update, Federal Programs Application

- B. Future Agenda Topics -- Board Members

- C. Consideration of Executive Session

### XI. ADJOURNMENT