

## Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting

### The Board of Trustees Tate County School District

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A Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Tate County School District was held Tuesday, January 10, 2017, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Tate County School Board Boardroom.

Members Present:

Heather Ashe, President  
Brandy Crockett, Secretary  
Malinda White  
Martha Jeffries

Others Present:

Alee' Dixon, Deputy Superintendent  
John Lamar, Attorney representing Lamar & Hannaford, P.A.  
Amy Williams, Federal Programs Director  
Kristie Foster, Special Education Director  
Sandy Patton, Business Manager  
Melissa Wallace, School Board Clerk  
Brett Brown, The Democrat Reporter

**I. Call to Order**

- A. The President called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., welcomed all present and led the Invocation.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance, led by Chase Roberson, Student at Coldwater Attendance Center

**II. Roll Call**

Heather Ashe, District 1-Present  
Martha Jeffries, District 2-Present  
Brandy Crockett, District 3-Present  
Carolyn Shead, District 4-Absent  
Malinda White, District 5-Present

**III. Election of Board Officers**

Malinda White made a motion to leave the school board officers the same, Heather Ashe-President and Brandy Crockett-Secretary. The motion was seconded by Martha Jeffries and unanimously carried.

**IV. Adoption of Agenda**

Malinda White made a motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of Student Matters to the Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Brandy Crockett and unanimously carried.

**V. Consideration to approve the Consent Agenda**

Malinda White made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Brandy Crockett and unanimously carried.

- A. Approval of the following minutes: (Board Policy BCBH)
  - 1. December 13, 2016, Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of the following Agreements with PBEC:
  - 1. District-wide Teacher Coaching and Classroom Management for 30 days for no more than \$40,500
  - 2. Coldwater Attendance Center Teacher Coaching and Classroom Management for 40 Days for no more than \$54,000
- C. Approval for the Special Education Department to contract with SpedTrack

D. Approval of the following Substitute Employee Recommendations:

1. Nina Cummins, Classroom

E. Approval of the following Employee Recommendations for FY17:

1. Tonya Wright, Teacher, Beginning November 14, 2016
2. Kelli Rankin, Teacher, Beginning January 9, 2017, pending criminal background and child abuse clearance
3. Hunter Lovell, Child Nutrition Assistant, Beginning January 18, 2017
4. Shameka Muhammad, Teacher Assistant, Beginning January 11, 2017
5. Jasmine Williams, Teacher Assistant, Beginning January 11, 2017, pending background and child abuse clearance

F. Approval of the following Fundraiser Requests:

1. ETE to sell from Gourmet Selections January 27-February 10, 2017
2. SES Library to profit from emails sent at home through Reading for Education January 23, 2017

G. Approval to adopt Board Policy GACK-Use of District Vehicles

H. Approval to Amend Board Policy BCAF-Public Comments at Board Meetings

- I. Approval to Amend Board Policy JBCD-Transfers and Withdrawals of Students

VI. **Financial**

Upon the recommendation of Sandy Patton, Business Manager, Malinda White made a motion to accept the Financial Statements and approve the Accounts Payable Docket as presented. The motion was seconded by Brandy Crockett and unanimously carried.

A. Financial Statements for December 1-31, 2016

B. Accounts Payable Docket Numbered 15946 to 16104 totaling \$330,066.49

VII. **Priority School Report**

Mrs. Amy Williams presented the School Board with the Coldwater Attendance Center Priority School Report for December 2016.

VIII. **Superintendent Report**

A. Alee' Dixon, Deputy Superintendent, presented the school board with updates on the district attendance and discipline for December 2016.

B. Upon recommendation of Mrs. Dixon, Malinda White made a motion to approve the updated FY17 District Calendar, making February 20, 2017, make-up day for the January 9, 2017, snow day. The motion was seconded by Martha Jeffries and unanimously carried.

IX. **Other Business**

None

X. **Public Comment**

None

XI. **Motions From The Board**

None

XII. **Executive Session**

A motion was made by Malinda White and seconded by Martha Jeffries for a closed determination upon the issue of whether to declare an Executive Session for the discussion of Personnel Matters, Student Matters and Pending Litigation in light of the fact that on open

meeting would have a detrimental effect on the Tate County School Board, pursuant to the provisions of Section 25-41-7. The motion was brought forward by the President for a vote and the result was as follows:

Heather Ashe – Aye  
Brandy Crockett – Aye  
Malinda White – Aye  
Martha Jeffries – Aye

The motion having received an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Tate County School Board present, the President declared the motion carried and the meeting closed for a preliminary determination of the necessity for an Executive Session.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Malinda White and seconded by Brandy Crockett to go into Executive Session for the discussion of Personnel Matters, Student Matters and Pending Litigation. The motion was brought forward by the President for a vote and the result was as follows:

Heather Ashe – Aye  
Brandy Crockett – Aye  
Malinda White – Aye  
Martha Jeffries – Aye

The motion having received an affirmative vote of a majority of the members present, the President declared the motion carried and the Board in Executive Session.

(EXECUTIVE SESSION)

Malinda White made a motion that the Board come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Brandy Crockett and unanimously carried. The President declared the Board in open session.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the minutes of the Tate County School Board reflect that said Board discussed Personnel Matters, Student Matters and Pending Litigation during the Executive Session, and that the following action was taken by the Tate County School Board during its Executive Session.


- A. Personnel Matters-No Actions
- B. Pending Litigation-No Actions
- C. Student Matters-The transfer request for student A.B. #850185 was hereby approved.

The vote was as follows:

Heather Ashe – Aye  
Brandy Crockett – Aye  
Malinda White – Aye  
Martha Jeffries – Nay

XIII. **Adjournment**

Malinda White made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. The motion was seconded by Brandy Crockett and unanimously carried.

  
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Heather Ashe, President

  
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Brandy Crockett, Secretary

