

**SWEETWATER CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**MINUTES**  
**August 12, 2019**

The Sweetwater City Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Administration Building.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. John Fox, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were: Mr. Patrick Gaines, Mr. Jon Campbell, Ms. Christy McCosh, City Representative Mr. Lamar Hughes, and Director of Schools, Mr. Rodney Boruff. Absent was Ms. Kenzie Lovingood. A quorum was present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

5/6-year-old Dixie Youth World Champions Team led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Dr. Fox welcomed everyone to the meeting. Guest present were: Ms. Danielle Gross, Board Secretary; Ms. Janet Collins, Finance Administrator; Ms. Nancy Crabtree, SPED; Ms. Holly Kidder, Supervisor of Instruction; Principals, Mr. Darrin Nichols, Ms. Brandi Smith, Ms. Angie Kyle and Ms. Alice Tyler; faculty, staff, and visitors. Principals introduced and welcomed new teachers. The 5/6-year-old Dixie Youth World Champions were recognized.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Campbell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the adoption of the agenda, minutes from the last meeting, July 8, 2019 and the June financial report. A second was made by Mr. Gaines. Motion passed. Director recommended.

**4. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. First and final reading of the Policy updates – Ms. McCosh reported on policy updates with a number change. Policy number 1.1061 will be changed to 1.2021. On the Policy Committee's recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Gaines and a second by Mr. Campbell, to approve the number change in the policy updates on the first and final reading. Motion passed. Director recommended.

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Board Assignments-On a motion by Ms. McCosh and a second by Mr. Gaines the board voted to keep their assignments from the previous year. There will be no change. Motion passed. Director recommended.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Personnel Report - Available as information to Board members.

B. State of the school report SPS – Principal Darrin Nichols reported on Sweetwater Primary for 2018-19. Mr. Nichols highlighted Kindergarten portfolios, grant money for new mulch, and good enrollment for this year. He also stated that SPS exceeded all targets for Aims Web and Star. They added a part-time nurse and only had 7 retentions last year.

C. The September meeting will be moved to Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> due to a Superintendents conference Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>.

D. On a motion made by Mr. Campbell and a second by Mr. Gaines, the board approved an easement on the SPS property line. Motion passed. Director recommended.

### **7. REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS**

A. Director Boruff reported that it was a good opening day and week and enrollment is up from last year. He is excited about the new staff changes at the schools. He also said the teachers with signs at SES was a welcoming experience for our students. The students were excited, and the Director feels that the changes that have been made have created a new start for SCS. He also stated that the open houses went very well with record attendance.

### **8. REPORT FROM THE BOARD CHAIR**

Next Board meeting is September 3 at 6:00 with a workshop at 5:20.

All Board members are registered for the TSBA Fall District meeting on Tuesday, September 17.

No school August 30<sup>th</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **9. ACCOLADES AND GRATITUDES**

Director Boruff complemented the Principals and teachers for great open houses. He also recognized the custodial staff for clean facilities and grounds.

With there being no other business before the Board, Dr. Fox adjourned the meeting.

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Board Chair, Sweetwater City Schools

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Director of Schools

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