

**SWEETWATER CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
July 10, 2023**

The Sweetwater City Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, July 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Administration Building.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mr. Campbell.

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Ms. Lovingood welcomed everyone to the meeting. Guest present were: Ms. Danielle Gross, Board Secretary; Ms. Janet Collins, Finance Administrator; Mr. Jason Vance, Supervisor of Instruction; Ms. Bethany Hughes, SPED Director; Principals, Ms. Nicki Nile and Ms. Tonya Wallis; faculty, staff, and visitors.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Gaines made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which included minutes from the last meeting and the May financial report. A second was made by Dr. Fox. Motion passed. Director recommended.

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Campbell made a motion to approve the Agenda for July 10, 2023. A second was made by Dr. Fox. Motion passed. Director recommended.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. On the policy committee's recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Gaines to approve Policy 1.402-Notification of Meetings as suggested by TSBA. Motion passed. Director recommended.

B. On the policy committee's recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Campbell to approve the change in wording of Policy 1.404-Appeals to and Appearances Before the Board as suggested by TSBA. Motion passed. Director recommended.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

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

B. Election of Board Chair – On a motion by Mr. Gaines members of the Board voted to retain Kenzie Lovingood as Chair for the Sweetwater Board of Education. A second motion was made by Dr. Fox. Motion passed. Roll Call: 4 in favor. 1 absent.

C. Election of Vice-Chair – On a motion by Mr. Campbell members of the Board voted to retain Patrick Gaines as Vice-Chair of the Sweetwater Board of Education. A second motion was by Mr. Campbell. Motion passed. Roll Call: 4 in favor. 1 absent.

D. Annual review of transfer of duties – Dr. Fox made a motion to table this item until the August meeting. A second was made by Mr. Campbell. Motion passed. Director recommended.

E. CIPA Compliance – Ms. Kidder stated that each year we make sure we are following the Children’s Internet Protection Act and have internet safety policies in place.

F. SJHS Baseball Team-Director Boruff stated that there has been interest in sanctioning a junior high baseball team. The board and administration will be doing further research to weigh the pros and cons of adding this program to the district.

G. On a motion by Mr. Gaines and a second by Mr. Campbell, the board approved Budget Amendment #5 as presented by Ms. Collins. Motion passed. Director recommended.

8. REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

A. Ethics policy - Director Boruff provided a copy of the Ethics policy to members of the Board along with a signature page acknowledging receipt of the policy to be executed by each member.

B. Director Boruff gave an annual report on the bonding information.

9. REPORT FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Next Board meeting is August 14th at 6:00 with a workshop at 5:20.

Opening breakfast – August 1st, 8:30 at SPS.

First Day of School-August 4th

August 3rd-SCS Open Houses

10. ACCOLADES AND GRATITUDES

Mr. Campbell recognized the 7/8-year-old team for their State-Runner up accomplishment.

The board discussed the grant by Governor Lee that provides an SRO for each school.

With there being no other business before the Board, Ms. Lovingood adjourned the meeting.

Board Chair, Sweetwater City Schools

Director of Schools

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