

**SWEETWATER CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
July 13, 2020**

The Sweetwater City Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, July 13, 2020 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, Ms. Kenzie Lovingood, Mr. Jon Campbell, Ms. Christy McCosh, City Representative Lamar Hughes and Director of Schools, Mr. Rodney Boruff. A quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-Director Boruff

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. Holly Kidder, Supervisor of Instruction; Ms. Jewel Sledge, Food Service Director, Ms. Nancy Crabtree, SPED Director; Principals, Mr. Darrin Nichols, Ms. Alice Tyler, and Ms. Angie Kyle; faculty, staff, visitors and a representative from the Monroe County Buzz.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

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

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. June recommendations postponed until the August meeting.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. 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 elected Kenzie Lovingood as Chair for the Sweetwater Board of Education. Motion passed. There was not a second before the nominations ceased.

C. Election of Vice-Chair – On a motion by Dr. Fox members of the Board elected Mr. Gaines Vice-Chair of the Sweetwater Board of Education. A second motion was made to nominate Dr. Fox by Mr. Campbell before the nominations ceased. Mr. Gaines was elected by a 2-1 vote.

D. Board Assignments

1. Policy Committee-Mr. Campbell, Dr. Fox

2. LTVEC-Mr. Gaines

3. PECCA-Ms. Lovingood, Ms. McCosh, and Mr. Campbell

4. Health Advisory Council-Dr. Fox

5. Ethics Committee-Mr. Gaines, Ms. Lovingood, Ms. McCosh, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Wilson

6. Board of Distinction-Ms. McCosh and Dr. Fox

7. TLN Representative-Ms. Lovingood

E. Selection of delegates to the TSBA convention – Ms. Lovingood and Dr. Fox were selected as delegates.

F. Annual review of schedule for use of school facilities – Director Boruff presented to the Board the current facility rental request with no changes.

G. Annual review of transfer of duties – In accordance with policy 5.801, should the Director of Schools be unable to fulfill their duties, the immediate successor would be Ms. Kidder. If Ms. Kidder is unable to fulfill the duties of the Director, Ms. Crabtree would be next and if she was unable to fulfill the duties of the Director the successor will be chosen by the Board Chair from the following list as determined by the Board.

H. 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.

I. Revision to the salary schedule-Due to circumstances and state budget cuts, the 2% raise across the board will be cut in 2020/2021

7. 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.

C. Reopening plan for the Fall-Director Boruff presented the plan to open on August 7th including temperature checks, masks in the hallway, frequent handwashing, less transition in the hallways, no visitors in the schools and social distancing when possible. We will also offer a virtual program for those who choose to stay home.

8. REPORT FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Next Board meeting is August 10th at 6:00 with a workshop at 5:20.

Opening breakfast – August 3rd, 8:30 at SPS. (K-4th)

Opening breakfast-August 4th, 8:30 at SPS. (5th-8th)

First Day of School-August 7th

9. ACCOLADES AND GRATITUDES

Mr. Campbell and Mr. Gaines acknowledged Dr. Fox for his years as Chairman and congratulated Ms. Lovingood.

Dr. Boruff thanked all who came out to the meeting.

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

Board Chair, Sweetwater City Schools

Director of Schools

Date

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