SWEETWATER CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
July 14, 2025

The Sweetwater City Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, July 14, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Administration Building.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mr. Campbell.

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Mr. Gaines welcomed everyone to the meeting. Guest present were: Ms. Danielle Gross, Board Secretary; Ms. Janet Collins, Finance Administrator; Ms. Mardee Miller, SPED Director; Dr. Jason Vance, Supervisor of Instruction; Principals, Ms. Angie Kyle and Ms. Tonya Wallis; faculty, staff, and visitors.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Fox 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 Ms. Lovingood. Motion passed. Director recommended.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT-None given.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Campbell made a motion to approve the Agenda for July 14, 2025. A second was made by Ms. Lovingood. Motion passed. Director recommended.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. On the policy committee's recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Campbell to approve Policies 1.407, 1.700, 2.403, 3.202, 4.100, 4.301, 4.403, 4.406, 4.601, 5.100, 5.110, 5.119, 5.305, 5.500, 5.701, 6.303, 6.304, 6.312, 6.411 and 6.600 on the first and final reading as suggested by TSBA. Motion passed. Director recommended.

B. On the policy committee's recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Campbell to approve Policy 3.204 on the first reading as suggested by TSBA. These policies will need a second reading at the August meeting to be approved. Motion passed. Director recommended.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

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

B. Election of Board Chair – On a motion by Ms. Lovingood, members of the Board voted to nominate Jon Campbell as Chair for the Sweetwater Board of Education. A second motion was made by Dr. Fox. Motion passed. Director recommend. Roll Call: 4 in favor. 1 absent.

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

D. CIPA Compliance – Dr. Vance stated that each year we make sure we are following the Children's Internet Protection Act and have internet safety policies in place.

E. Budget Amendment #5-On a motion by Ms. Lovingood and a second by Dr. Fox, members of the Board approved the budget amendment for the 2024/2025 year as presented by Ms. Collins. Motion passed. Director recommend.

9. 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. Director Boruff also discussed the new robot to paint the football fields and the many projects that maintenance is working on to get ready for the school year.

10. REPORT FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Next Board meeting is August 11th at 6:00 with a workshop at 5:20.

Opening breakfast – July 28th, 8:30 at SPS.

First Day of School-August 4th

July 31st-SCS Open Houses

11. ACCOLADES AND GRATITUDES

Ms. Wallis thanked Jacky Jones Ford for the donation of a golf cart to SPS.

With there being no other business before the Board, Mr. Gaines adjourned the meeting.

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Board Chair, Sweetwater City Schools Director of Schools

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Date Date