

**SWEETWATER CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES  
May 8, 2023**

The Sweetwater City Schools Board of Education met on Monday, May 8, 2023 at 6 p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

SJHS Volleyball Students Chloe Harrison, Lily Woodruff, Jill Patel, Sarah Hutchison and Baylee Bohrer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Ms. Lovingood welcomed everyone to the meeting. Guests present were: Ms. Danielle Gross, Board Secretary; Ms. Janet Collins, Finance Administrator; Ms. Jewel Sledge, Food Service Director; Ms. Holly Kidder, Supervisor of Instruction; Ms. Jennifer Davis, CSH Director and Ms. Bethany Hughes, SPED; Principals, Ms. Tonya Wallis, Ms. Alice Tyler, Ms. Nicki Nile and Ms. Angie Kyle; faculty, staff and 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 minutes from the last meeting, April 10, 2023, and the March financial report. A second was made by Ms. McCosh. Motion passed.

**4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Ms. McCosh made a motion to approve the Adoption of Agenda from May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. A second was made by Mr. Campbell. Motion passed.

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

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

B. Consideration of the 2023/2024 budget-On a motion made by Mr. Campbell and a second by Mr. Gaines, members of the Board approved the 2023/2024 budget as presented by Ms. Collins. Motion passed. Director recommended.

C. Budget Amendments-On a motion made by Dr. Fox and a second by Mr. Gaines, members of the Boards approved the 2022/2023 Budget Amendment as presented by Ms. Collins. Motion passed. Director recommended.

D. Approval of the food service budget-On a motion made by Mr. Gaines and a second made by Mr. Campbell, members of the Board approved the 2023/2024 food service budget as presented by Ms. Collins. Motion passed. Director recommended.

E. Approval of the food service bids-On a motion made by Ms. McCosh and a second made by Dr. Fox, members of the Board approved the 2023/2024 food service bids as presented by Ms. Sledge. Motion passed. Director recommended.

F. Approval of federal plan and program Budget-Ms. Hughes presented an outline of the 2023/2024 federal programs budget. On a motion made by Mr. Gaines and a second by Mr. Campbell, members of the Board approved the federal plan and program budget as presented by Ms. Hughes. Motion passed. Director recommended.

G. Approval of the 2023/2024 Special Education Budget-On a motion made by Mr. Campbell and a second by Dr. Fox, members of the Board approved the Special Education Budget as presented by Ms. Hughes. Motion passed. Director recommended.

H. CSH Report-Ms. Davis reported on new programs such as Healthy Roots, Cares and a partnership with Sweetwater Hospital Association. She also reported that CSH received \$360, 612 direct and in-kind funding. CSH was also able to provide programs such as Tasty Days, Teen Cuisine, Backpacks and health screenings.

I. Kindergarten Report-Ms. Wallis reported that as of now they have 155 Kindergarten students pre-registered. They also have 59 PreK students pre-registered.

J. Employee Retirement Recognition-Director Boruff and the Board recognized the following staff for all their years of service to SCS: Sarah Preston, Cynthia Dean, Susie Price and Lisa Archer.

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

The Director reported that testing was complete, and summer camp planning is in full swing. He also said that they are in the process of hiring new teachers to replace the retirees.

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

The next board meeting is June 12, 2023 at 6:00 pm with a workshop at 5: 20 pm.

May 17<sup>th</sup>-SJHS Graduation  
May 19<sup>th</sup>-Board tour of schools  
May 19<sup>th</sup>-PD Day (no students)  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>-Last day of school (2-hour day)

**10. ACCOLADES AND GRATITUDES**

Director Boruff thanked our SRO's at each school.  
The SJHS baseball and soccer teams are District Champs.

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

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Board Chair, Sweetwater City Schools

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