

**SWEETWATER CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES  
November 13, 2023**

The Sweetwater City Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Sweetwater Administration Building.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

SES State Cross Country team led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Ms. Lovingood welcomed everyone to the meeting. Guest present were: Ms. Bethany Hughes, SPED; Dr. Jason Vance, Supervisor of Instruction; Janet Collins, Finance Director; Principals, Ms. Tonya Wallis, Ms. Nicki Nile, Ms. Angie Kyle, and Ms. Alice Tyler; faculty, staff, visitors, and a representative from the Monroe County Buzz.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

Dr. Fox made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the minutes from the last meeting, October 3, 2023, and the September financial report. A second was made by Ms. McCosh. Motion passed. Director recommended.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Mr. Campbell made a motion to approve the November 13, 2023 agenda. A second was made by Mr. Campbell. Motion passed. Director recommended.

**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A-F-Policies 1.105, 1.701, 2.400, 2.601, 4.603, and 2.8051 were approved on the first and final reading of the policy committee as presented by Dr. Fox. The policies will be updated with wording changes according to TSBA recommendations. Motion passed. Director recommended.

G. Executive Committee Report-Dr. Vance reported on the TISA Annual Report which was approved in an executive committee meeting on October 19, 2023.

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

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

B. Consideration of the December meeting – On a motion made by Ms. McCosh and a second by Mr. Campbell, members of the board approved to forego the December meeting. Motion passed. Director recommended.

C. Esser 3 Budget-On a motion made by Dr. Fox and a second by Mr. Campbell, members of the board approved the Esser 3 Budget as presented by Ms. Hughes. Motion passed. Director recommended.

D. Budget Amendments-On a motion made by Mr. Campbell and a second by Ms. McCosh, members of the board approved the Budget Amendments as presented by Ms. Collins. Motion passed. Director recommended.

E. State of the school report SJHS – Principal Nicki Nile reported on Sweetwater Junior High. Ms. Nile highlighted leadership, behavior and data teams. They are focused on building strong relationships, being role models, community involvement and extensive staff development. Ms. Nile also discussed rewards for attendance and the new baseball team that will be starting up.

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

Mr. Boruff discussed attendance and incentives and Jewel retiring. He also discussed driving the Sped Bus.

**9. REPORT FROM THE BOARD CHAIR**

A. Calendar of Events

Next Board meeting is January 8 at 6:00 with a workshop at 5:20.

Thanksgiving Break November 22-24

TSBA Convention November 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>

**10. ACCOLADES AND GRATITUDES**

SPS raised \$4200 at the PTO Cruise-In to provide a digital sign for the school.

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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Director of Schools

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