

**SWEETWATER CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
September 17, 2018**

The Sweetwater City Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 17, 2018 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, and Director of Schools, Mr. Rodney Boruff. A quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6th grade boys Basketball Members led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Dr. Fox welcomed everyone to the meeting. Guests present were: Ms. Danielle Gross, Board Secretary; Ms. Janet Collins, Finance Administrator; Ms. Nancy Crabtree, SPED; Ms. Holly Kidder, Supervisor of Instruction; Principals, Mr. Darrin Nichols, Ms. Brandi Smith, and Ms. Alice Tyler; Monroe County Dental Clinic representative, Ms. Kristy Blakenship, faculty, staff, visitors and representatives from the Advocate Democrat and the Monroe County Buzz.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Campbell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the adoption of the agenda, minutes from the last meeting, August 13, 2018, and the July financial report. A second was made by Mr. Gaines. Motion passed. Director recommended.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. First and final reading of Policy updates - Ms. McCosh reported on policies 1.701-School District Planning and 4.206-Homebound Instruction. On the Policy Committee's recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Gaines and a second by Mr. Campbell, to approve the first and final reading as recommended by TSBA. Motion passed. Director recommended.

B. Adoption of Policy 3.212 – Ms. McCosh reported on the District Water Testing policy. On the Policy Committee's recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Campbell and a second by Mr. Gaines, to approve the first readings of Policy 3.212 as recommended by TSBA. A second reading is required. Motion passed. Director recommended.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on SJH – Director Boruff updated the Board on SJH. The Director reported that there is painting going on in the new gym and 4 out of the 5 rooms in the old gym now have metal studded walls. It has been a long process, but he encouraged the Board and Media to stop by and see the changes.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Personnel Report - Available as information to Board members.
- B. Monroe County Dental Clinic – Ms. Kristy Blakenship shared what the Monroe County Dental Clinic is offering students in the county. They would like to transfer students one day a month who have dental needs and meet the criteria. Decision to be made by the board at a later date.
- C. State of the school report SES – Principal Alice Tyler reported on Sweetwater Elementary for 2017-18. Ms. Tyler highlighted data analysis, Read to be Ready, Student led Parent Teacher Conferences, Private donors, Active shooter training and safety, chromebooks, and being a Level 5 school.
- D. Selection of textbook committee – On a motion by Ms. Lovingood and a second by Ms. McCosh, members of the Board approved the textbook committee as presented by Ms. Kidder. Motion passed.
- E. Ink Cartridge Bid-On a motion by Mr. Campbell and a second by Mr. Gaines, members of the Board approved the district ink cartridge bid go to Quill as presented by Ms. Gross. Motion passed.

7. REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

- A. Raptor check-in system for visitors is installed
- B. Mr. Boruff reported that we fell into the Level 1 because of our TN Ready scores. However, he feels in some areas we have improved and that with the adjustments we have made in staff we will see even more progress.

8. REPORT FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

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

Fall Break is October 1-5th.

TSBA Convention 2018 – Thursday, November 1 – Sunday, November 4. All Board members are registered.

9. ACCOLADES AND GRATITUDES

Mr. Campbell and Mr. Gaines recognized Ms. Smith and SJHS for the Tailgate Party and Grandparent’s breakfast.

Mr. Boruff recognized Karen Sadikoff for all her work on Read to Be Ready.

With there being no other business before the Board, Dr. Fox adjourned the meeting.

Board Chair, Sweetwater City Schools

Director of Schools

Date

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