Minutes of Mississippi Board of Education Meeting

September 29, 2023

The members of the Mississippi Board of Education met in a Special-Called Teleconference Board meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, September 29, 2023 for the purpose of discussing issues related to appointments made by the State Board of Education. The location of the meeting available to the public was in Suite 311 at the Central High School Building, Mississippi Department of Education, 359 North West Street, Jackson Mississippi. Board members present via Zoom were: Mr. Glen V. East (Gulfport, Mississippi), Dr. Wendi Barrett (Ocean Springs, Mississippi), Mr. Bill Jacobs (Monticello, Mississippi), Dr. Ronnie L. McGehee (Madison, Mississippi), Mr. Matt Miller (Hattiesburg, Mississippi), and Ms. Mary Werner (Saltillo, Mississippi). Board member absent: Mr. Mike Pruitt.

- I. Mr. Glen V. East called the Special-Called Board meeting to order at 11:33 a.m., after determining that a quorum of the Board existed for the purpose of conducting a meeting through teleconference and video means in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-5.
- II. On a motion by Dr. Ronnie L. McGehee, seconded by Dr. Wendi Barrett, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.
- III. Mr. East stated that this is a Special-Called meeting of the Board of Education being held today and the notice was posted in accordance with state law and included the date, time, place, and purpose of the meeting and identified the location of the meeting available to the public. Mr. East stated that each Board member received a copy of the agenda. Mr. East stated that this is a Special-Called Board meeting and therefore the only business that can be transacted is that which has been specified in the call of this meeting.

IV. Consideration of Executive Session

Mr. Matt Miller moved that the Board consider making a closed determination of the need to go into Executive Session. Ms. Mary Werner seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 5 to 0. Mr. Glen V. East asked for Dr. Donna H. Boone, Ms. Wendy Clemons, Dr. Marla Davis, and legal counsel to remain in the room.

Mr. Matt Miller, then moved that the Board go into Executive Session in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-7(a) and (k) to discuss discrete personnel matters. Dr. Ronnie L. McGehee seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5 to 0. Ms. Jennifer Nichols informed the public of the Board's vote to go into Executive Session for the above stated reasons.

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Minutes of the Executive Session

During the Executive Session, the Board discussed discrete personnel matters.

On a motion by Mr. Matt Miller, seconded by Dr. Ronnie L. McGehee, the Board unanimously voted to come out of Executive Session.

The public came back into the Board meeting and Mr. East stated that the Board approved a motion to appoint Ms. Ginger Tedder as the Interim Executive Director of the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science.

- 01. On a motion by Mr. Matt Miller, seconded by Ms. Mary Werner, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Ms. Ginger Tedder as the Interim Executive Director of the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science.
- V. On a motion by Mr. Matt Miller, seconded by Dr. Wendi Barrett, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Approved:

Glen V. East, Chair

Mississippi Board of Education

Raymond C. Morgigno

Interim Executive Secretary
Mississippi Board of Education