

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF THE AUGUSTA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
October 20, 2015**

The Augusta Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, October 20, 2015, in the Augusta High School Cafeteria. Terry Shadwick, President, opened and presided over the meeting. Members present were Debbie Briscoe, Janice Collier, Leslie Collins, Charlotte Hitt and Willie Powell. Susan Bengel arrived at 6:10 PM. Dr. Ray Nassar, Superintendent, was also present.

Terry Shadwick gave the prayer.

On a motion by Willie Powell and a second by Leslie Collins the board approved the minutes from the September 15, 2015 as presented without reading.

Terry Shadwick welcomed the visitors.

There was not a representative from the ACPEA present at the meeting.

There was not a PPC Representative present at the meeting.

As this was the first regular meeting after the certification of the election, the board was re-organized. President Shadwick turned the nominations for president over to Dr. Nassar. Leslie Collins nominated Terry Shadwick. Debbie Briscoe nominated Willie Powell. The vote was 4 for Shadwick and 2 for Powell.

Control of the meeting was returned to Terry Shadwick.

Terry Shadwick asked for nominations for Vice President. Janice Collier nominated Willie Powell. There were no other nominations. The vote was 6-0

Terry Shadwick asked for nomination for Secretary. Debbie Briscoe nominated Janice Collier. Janice Collier nominated Leslie Collins. The vote was 5 for Collins and 1 for Collier.

Susan Bengel was not present during the re-organization.

Joseph Brown, AE HS Principal, was not present at the meeting due to required professional development. Mr. Manning noted for Mr. Brown that the 45 day required report has been submitted.

Mr. Manning, Director of Student Services reported that the ACSIP plan has been submitted.

Dr. Nassar presented the financial information. He stated that he, Mr. Manning, and Ellyn Bengel, District bookkeeper, had met via Zoom with the Finance Director at ADE. He noted the Director would like to come and meet with the Board sometime in January 2016. He also noted that the auditor is here auditing the 2015SY.

On a motion by Willie Powell and a second by Charlotte Hitt the board ratified payment of the bills.

Dr. Nassar discussed the school election with the millage issue. He noted bonds will be sold next month which should bring in approximately \$2,000,000.00. He presented items that he felt needed to be addressed with this money and asked the board for input on these projects.

During the September board meeting Jerry Vaughn was hired as SIS for the elementary. ADE contacted Dr. Nassar and said this would not work for our District. He asked the Board to rescind this action and move Michael Manning into this position.

On a motion by Willie Powell and a second by Leslie Collins the board approved rescinding the hire of Jerry Vaughn as SIS for the elementary.

On a motion by Willie Powell and a second by Leslie Collins the board approved moving Michael Manning into the position as SIS for the elementary.

Dr. Nassar discussed school board training in Boston. He noted that the block of rooms will be open on October 28. He will book 7 rooms at that time. He reminded the board that the training to be held on October 13 has been moved to December 15, in Beebe.

Following a review by Child Nutrition, pricing for adult breakfast and lunch needed to be increase to \$2.00 for breakfast and \$3.40 for lunch.

On a motion by Leslie Collins and a second by Willie Powell the board the increase in adult meals as presented.

Due to the sale of the bonds, Marshall Hughes, 1<sup>st</sup> Security, Beardsley Public Finance, requested the November board meeting be held on Tuesday, 11/10. Due to a conflict with members the meeting was scheduled for Monday, 11/9, 6:00 PM, HS Library.

Dr. Nassar presented resignation letters for Kelly Mackey, teacher, effective immediately; Jackie Carter, bus driver, effective immediately; and Jacob Vanderheyden, football coach, effective 9/28.

On a motion by Debbie Briscoe and a second by Leslie Collins the board accepted the resignation of Kelly Mackey as presented.

On a motion by Debbie Briscoe and a second by Leslie Collins the board accepted the resignation of Jackie Carter as presented.

On a motion by Debbie Briscoe and a second by Leslie Collins the board accepted the coaching resignation of Jacob Vanderheyden as presented.

On a motion by Janice Collier and a second by Willie Powell the board approved hiring Joe Brown, bus driver for afternoon route only; Matt House, bus driver for morning route only and Wayne Tillman for a full route and with a \$2,000.00 stipend for an additional route, as recommended by Dr. Nassar.

On a motion by Willie Powell and a second by Leslie Collins the board approved hiring Laura Ladd, FACS teacher, beginning 10/22/2015, as recommended by Dr. Nassar. The vote was 6-1.

On a motion by Willie Powell and a second by Charlotte Hitt the board approved hiring Scott Bramlet as Sr. & Jr. Boys Basketball assistant coach, as recommended by Dr. Nassar.

On a motion by Janice Collier and second by Willie Powell the board approved allowing Dr. Nassar to hire a bus driver to the afternoon route to Cotton Plant.

Dr. Nassar invited to board to come to the school on Friday, 10/23, for lunch. The students will not be at school. The teachers will be in professional development all day. He is providing lunch.

The retired to executive session for the discussion of a student transfer.

The board returned to open session.

On a motion by Willie Powell and a second by Janice Collier the board denied the student transfer.

The board re-appointed Willie Powell to the board for another year.

Susan Bengel resigned her board position as of this meeting. She wished the best to the school.

The board was adjourned.

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Board President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent

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Board Secretary