

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE AUGUSTA SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
March 12, 2012**

The Augusta Board of Education met in regular session at 6:30 PM on Monday, March 12, 2012, in the administrative offices. Vice-President Lonnie May presided over the meeting. Members present were Debbie Briscoe, Janice Collier, James Harston and Buddy Porter. Members Amanda Hanna and Cleodis Smith were absent. Scott Jones, Superintendent, was also present.

Buddy Porter opened the meeting with a prayer.

On a motion by Buddy Porter and a second by Janice Collier the board approved the minutes of the March 12, 2012, regular meeting as presented without reading.

Lonnie May welcomed the visitors.

Elsie Chestnutt, ACPEA representative, addressed the board. She discussed the scholarship process and introduced Nancy Blount, AEA rep for this area.

There was not a representative from the PPC present.

Scott Jones recognized the Augusta Fire Dept. for their efforts in containing the fire at the preschool and superintendent's office.

Scott Jones discussed the finances. He noted the drop in enrollment and the need to cut spending. He presented a recommendation to reorganize the Augusta elementary and high school buildings. The board tabled this recommendation. The board discussed selling the Cotton Plant high school building. They instructed Mr. Jones to have the building appraised and have the people make an offer.

On a motion by Janice Collier and a second by Buddy Porter the board ratified payment of the bills.

On a motion by Buddy Porter and Janice Collier the board approved invoking the "Emergency Clause" for purchasing due to the fire.

On a motion by Janice Collier and second by James Harston the board approved the building requests by CWR District Association to use the HS cafeteria for their annual tea on May 6, 2012; by Daisy Williams to use the HS cafeteria for an appreciation dinner on July 14, 2012; by Elma Brown, REDO, to use the CPE cafeteria for a training conference on April 28, 2012; by the City of Cotton Plant to use the CPE cafeteria to feed the bands during Cotton Plant Days on September 1, 2012, to use the CP gym for a Jammers game on August 31, 2012, and approved the out of state trip for the TAP/TIF team to Arizona in June, 2012. They did not approve the City of Cotton Plant's request to use the CP gym on September 1, 2012, for a Fly Guy concert.

The board retired to executive session.

The board returned to open session with no action taken.

The regular April meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 16, 2012, 6:30 PM, at the high school library.

On a motion by Buddy Porter and a second by Debbie Briscoe the board was adjourned.

Board President

ATTEST: _____
Superintendent

Board Secretary