

**CHOCTAW COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING – 4:30 P.M.  
CHOCTAW COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025**

**MINUTES:**

The meeting was called to order by Board President Tommy Campbell and a quorum was established with (5) members present:

Mr. Tommy Campbell  
Mr. Isaac Johnson  
Mrs. Marilyn Richard  
Mr. Randy Gibson  
Mrs. Beverly Skinner

Superintendent James was also present for the meeting.

**INVOCATION:**

Chris Holcombe

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the agenda for Tuesday, July 22, 2025, Board meeting.

Board President Tommy Campbell asked to remove item #10 on the agenda, executive session, due to our Board attorney Alex Braswell not being present for the meeting.

Motion- Johnson

Seconded- Gibson

Motion- Carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Superintendent James recommended the approval of the June 24, 2025, Board meeting minutes.

Motion- Skinner

Seconded- Gibson

Motion- Carried

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT & CASH REPORT/BANK RECONCILIATIONS**

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the financial statement & cash report/bank reconciliations as included in your Board packet, for the month of May 2025, with all accounts being reconciled.

Motion- Richard

Seconded- Johnson

Motion-Carried

**SHERRY OWEN – FY24 AUDIT**

Brooke Thompson with the Alabama Department of Public Examiners stood in for Sherry Owen, and presented the audit report for FY24.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the following consent items a-h listed on exhibit A, and the personnel report listed on exhibit B. (attached to the minutes)

Board member Johnson asked to remove item G, approval of lease agreement, and put this separately to item 7a.

Motion – Richard

Seconded – Johnson

Motion- Carried

### **7a. APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT**

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the lease agreement to lease the old Choctaw County Board of Education building.

Superintendent James informed the Board of a potential tenant interested in leasing the building, and that the tenant would be responsible for all maintenance and utilities tied to the building.

Board member Johnson asked the length of the lease.

Superintendent James said it would be on a month to month bases.

Motion – Richard

Seconded – Skinner

Motion-Carried

### **JAMES PRESTAGE – FACILITY USE & VOLUNTEER COACHING**

Mr. James Prestage – Thank you. This was my purpose at last month's meeting. I have a vested interest in the community. I want to give back to the students and donate my time to boys' basketball. My time is about giving back, to pay it forward. There is no compensation behind it, only to give back to the community.

Board member Johnson – I personally have been involved, early in my career with Mr. Armistead, Tara Armistead did camps together. So I applaud you just for coming and wanting to participate and help out, the process should go through Mr. Ezell. Hopefully we can come up with something that will be a positive and give back to the community. Thank you for coming and sharing that with us.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Superintendent James recommended the next Board Meeting be held on August 12, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. at the Choctaw County Board of Education.

Motion – Skinner

Seconded – Richard

Motion – Carried

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Board President Tommy Campbell adjourned the meeting.

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Superintendent of Education

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President, Choctaw County Board of Education