

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE
COTTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

June 30, 2022 7:00 P. M.

The following members of the Board were in attendance for the meeting: Allen Franks, Cameron Ross, Russel Duggins, Andy Slater, and Jimmy Morgan. Administrators and other guests were also in attendance. Appropriate notice of this meeting has been given to local news media as well as posted on the District's website.

Reorganization of the Board

Superintendent Jones Chaired for the purpose of Reorganization of the Board. Cameron Ross nominated Allen Franks and was seconded by Andy Slater for the new President of the Board.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:07 pm)

Superintendent Jones relinquished the Chair in favor of the new Board President, Allen Franks.

Russel Duggins nominated Cameron Ross for Board Vice President, seconded by Jimmy Morgan.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:07 pm)

Cameron Ross nominated Jimmy Morgan for Board Secretary, seconded by Russel Duggins.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:07 pm)

Jimmy Morgan nominated Allen Franks for Board Disbursing Officer, seconded by Cameron Ross.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:08 pm)

A random drawing was conducted to determine terms for Cotter School Board Members:

- 5 year term: Allen Franks
- 4 year term: Russel Duggins
- 3 year term: Cameron Ross

Approval of Minutes

Russel Duggins made a motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the meeting minutes from Regular Board Meeting May 15, 2025, and Special Board Meeting June 23, 2025.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:09 pm)

Recommendation to approve Deletion of Unused Funds

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the deletion of outdated and unused funds.

Motion to approve the Deletion of Unused Funds

Russel Duggins made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the deletion of outdated and unused funds as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:21 pm)

Recommendation to Move Funds

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the moving of balances from outdated and unused funds to current activity funds.

Motion to approve the Move of Funds

Cameron Ross made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the moving of balances from outdated and unused funds to current activity funds as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:22 pm)

Financial Reports

Superintendent Jones reviewed the Financial Reports for May.

Recommendation to approve Financial Reports

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the Financial Reports as presented.

Motion to approve the Financial Reports

Cameron Ross made the motion, seconded by Russel Duggins to approve the Financial Reports as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:27 pm)

Policy Revisions - LaDonna Mendleski

LaDonna Mendleski presented updated and revised Certified District Policies.

Recommendation to approve Policy Updates and Provisions

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the updated and revised Certified District Policies as presented.

Motion to approve the Policy Updates and Provisions

Russel Duggins made the motion, seconded by Cameron Ross to approve the Certified Policy Updates and Provisions as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:32 pm)

Policy Revisions - Ruth Howse

Ruth Howse presented updated and revised Classified District Policies.

Recommendation to approve Policy Updates and Provisions

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the updated and revised Classified District Policies as presented.

Motion to approve the Policy Updates and Provisions

Cameron Ross made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the Classified Policy Updates and Provisions as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:32 pm)

Policy Revisions - Jarod Jefferson

Jarod Jefferson presented updated and revised District Policies January 2025 & May 2025.

Recommendation to approve Policy Updates and Provisions

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the updated and revised District Policies as presented.

Motion to approve the Policy Updates and Provisions

Cameron Ross made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the Policy Updates and Provisions as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:51 pm)

High School Handbook Changes

High School Principal Jarod Jefferson presented to the Board the High School Handbook Changes for School Year 2025/2026.

Recommendation to approve the Handbook Changes

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the High School Handbook changes as presented.

Motion to approve the Handbook Changes

Cameron Ross made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the Handbook changes as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:51 pm)

Elementary Handbook Changes

Superintendent Jones presented to the Board the Elementary Handbook Changes for School Year 2025/2026.

Recommendation to approve the Handbook Changes

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the Elementary Handbook changes as presented.

Motion to approve the Handbook Changes

Cameron Ross made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the Handbook changes as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:51 pm)

Chenal Therapy Memorandum of Understanding

Superintendent Jones presented to the Board the Memorandum of Understanding from Chenal Therapy for the 2025/2026 School Year.

Recommendation to approve the Chenal Therapy Memorandum of Understanding

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the Chenal Therapy Memorandum of Understanding as presented.

Motion to approve the Chenal Therapy Memorandum of Understanding

Russel Duggins made the motion, seconded by Cameron Ross to approve the Chenal Therapy Memorandum of Understanding as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:55 pm)

School Supplies

Superintendent Jones presented the purchasing of school supplies for the Cotter School District for the 2025/2026 school year, K-12, to the Board.

Recommendation to Purchase School Supplies

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the purchasing of school supplies for the Cotter School District for the 2025/2026 school year, K-12, as presented.

Motion to approve the Purchase of School Supplies

Cameron Ross made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the purchasing of school supplies for the Cotter School District for the 2025/2026 school year, K-12, as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:57 pm)

Board Entered Executive Session - 7:57 PM

Board Exited Executive Session - 9:20 PM

Recommendations on Personnel Report – Superintendent Jones

Superintendent Jones requested Board approval of the staff recommendations as submitted in the Personnel Report.

Motion on Personnel Report

Jimmy Morgan made the motion, seconded by Russel Duggins to approve recommendations on the Personnel Report as presented.

The motion carried unanimously. (9:20 pm)

Petition for Student Transfer In – Superintendent Jones

Superintendent Jones presented four (4) Petitions for Transfer of Student into the Cotter School District.

Recommendations on Petition for Student Transfer In– Superintendent Jones

Superintendent Jones requested Board approval for the four (4) Petitions for Transfer of Student into the Cotter School District as presented.

Motion on Petition for Student Transfer In

Jimmy Morgan made the motion, seconded by Cameron Ross, to approve the Petitions for Student Transfers as recommended.

The motion carried unanimously. (pm)

Petition for Student Transfer Out– Superintendent Jones

Superintendent Jones presented two (2) Petitions for Transfer of Student from the Cotter School District into the Mountain Home School District..

Recommendations on Petition for Student Transfer Out– Superintendent Jones

Superintendent Jones requested Board approval for the two (2) Petitions for Transfer of Student from the Cotter School District into the Mountain Home School District as presented.

Motion on Petition for Student Transfer Out

Jimmy Morgan made the motion, seconded by Russel Duggins, to approve the Petitions for Student Transfers as recommended.

The motion carried unanimously. (9:21 pm)

Adjournment

Cameron Ross made a motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.


Allen Franks, President
Jimmy Morgan, Secretary