

**WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
RULES COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, June 15, 2022 – 12:00 P.M. – Conference Room, Weakley County Department of Education, Dresden, TN**

**Rules Committee Members Present:** Commissioners David Hawks, Roger Donaldson, Dennis Doster, Gary Eddings, Dale Overton, Eric Owen, Greg Usery, and James Westbrook

**Rules Committee Members Absent:** Commissioner Larry Taylor

**I.-II. Call to Order – Approval of Minutes**

Chairperson Hawks called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and called for the consideration of the minutes from the meeting that was held on October 27, 2021. Commissioner Donaldson made the motion to approve, and with a second by Commissioner Eddings, the motion passed unanimously.

**III. OLD BUSINESS** None.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2023-05 Resolution to Appoint a Rules Committee of the Weakley County Board of Commissioners:** Commissioner Hawks recommended that the Commissioner that will fill Commissioner Overton’s seat on the Rules Committee will be the top vote-getter of that district. Commissioner Usery made a motion that the commissioners appointed be as follows:

District 1: Dennis Doster	District 5: Larry Taylor	District 9: James Westbrook
District 2: Eric Owen	District 6: David Bell	
District 3: Greg Usery	District 7: Billy Hazlewood	
District 4: Gary Eddings	District 8: Roger Donaldson	

Commissioner Westbrook seconded Commissioner Usery’s motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion to Amend Resolution 2019-07:** Commissioner Donaldson brought up that Rule Change 1 would, hypothetically, drop the pay of commissioners. Mayor Bynum recommended Rule Change 2. In Rule Change 2, using the meeting numbers from this budget year, the most a commissioner could have possibly gotten paid was \$3,800. Mayor Bynum stated that the Finance Department would find it easier to switch the Commission to a salary, not a per-meeting basis. Commissioner Eddings expressed concern about commissioners not being incentivized to show up to meetings if they are not being paid per meeting. Commissioner Doster agreed with Commissioner Eddings and made a motion that Commission meetings be paid at a rate of \$300 (up from \$200) and Subcommittee meetings be paid at a rate of \$150 (down from \$200). The motion passed unanimously.

**V. OTHER BUSINESS**

Commissioner Westbrook suggested the Rules committee and Finance Ways and Means Committees remain at 9 members and all other standing committees have seven members. Commissioner Eddings brought up that some committees, such as the Electric Board, have some non-commission members, and

asked if that would be a possibility on standing committees. Commissioner Hawks stated that was an original supporter behind the idea of 9 members on HEED and Public Safety, stating that he liked the increase in communication between the Commission. Commissioner Westbrook stated that the Rules state that Commission members are prohibited from serving on HEED and FWM. Commissioner Doster made a motion to go from 9-7 on heed, the 7 on heed can't serve on FWM or vice versa. Commissioner Overton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**VI. ADJOURN**

Having no other business, Commissioner Hawks adjourned the meeting at 12:42 a.m.

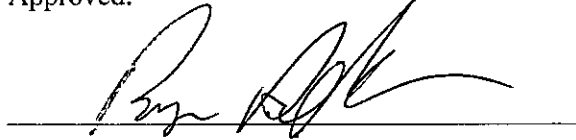
Respectfully Submitted,



Lauren Rush, Secretary

Rules Committee

Approved:



~~David Hawks~~, Chairperson  
ROGER DONALDSON  
Rules Committee

Date: 9/1/22