

<b>Date</b>	<b>Kind of Meeting</b>	<b>Where Held</b>
February 10, 2011	Special	Dothan City Board of Education, Teachers' Center, 500 Dusy Street
<b>Presiding Officer</b>	<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Members Absent</b>
Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish, Chairman	Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish, Chairman Mr. Franklin Jones, District 2 Mr. Charles Woodall, District 3 Mr. Jimmy Addison, District 4 Mr. Ben Armstrong, District 5 Mr. Chris Maddox, District 6	Mrs. Brenda Guilford, Vice-Chairman, District 1

Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Franklin Jones led in prayer.

Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Comments:**

There were no Board comments.

**Approval of Agenda and Proposed Agenda Modifications:**

Mr. Charles Woodall made a motion seconded by Mr. Franklin Jones to approve the Agenda and proposed Agenda modifications as presented and as recommended by the Superintendent. The motion carried. Voting was as follows: "YEA" – Jones, Woodall, Addison, Armstrong, Maddox. "NAY" – None. "ABSTAIN" – None.

**Superintendent Recommendations:**

Dr. Sam Nichols addressed the Board stating I would like to welcome tonight Mr. Ed Price and a delegation from the Yes We Can! Dothan initiative for Better Funding Committee. They have a resolution they are going to present to the Board tonight for consideration.

Mr. Ed Price addressed Dr. Nichols and the Board thanking them for the opportunity to come today. He stated I come here on behalf of Yes We Can and Co-Chair of Yes We Can, Judge Rose Gordon, and on behalf of The Better Funding. We would like for you to support the resolution that we have given to you which will commence the process to allow people of the City of Dothan to vote on an ad valorem tax increase that will benefit the school system. It would be 13 mills to the school system. There is a similar resolution that the Library Board will vote on that does not concern us. The 13 mills will be used for the benefit of the Dothan City Schools. This is not a request that you support the increase in ad valorem taxes. It is not a request that you oppose it. It is simply a request that you support the process or the commencement of the process to allow this to be voted on by the people of the City of Dothan. As we all know, the founding fathers of this country founded fundamental principles that when there were issues to be considered to allow the people to vote on it. Today we do not have to do much but pick up the paper or turn on the TV and we see other countries that do not allow folks to vote on issues and apparently try to resolve those issues by throwing rocks. We are not here to throw rocks; we are not here to debate the merits or demerits of a particular resolution. There is a process that has to be followed, as you know, and that is to commence the process to ask the Dothan City Commission to make the next step and then the Legislative people to support an amendment for the people of the City of Dothan to vote. Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish asked if there were any questions and there were none.

Dr. Sam Nichols stated Members of the Board I would like to recommend that you adopt this Resolution that has been submitted by the Yes We Can delegation. (See Attachment "A")

Mr. Jimmy Addison made a motion seconded by Mr. Franklin Jones to support the Superintendent's recommendation. The motion carried. Voting was as follows: "YEA" – Jones, Woodall, Addison, Armstrong, Maddox. "NAY" – None. "ABSTAIN" – None.

**New Business**

Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish stated the Board would meet again on Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup> for a Regular Meeting. See Attachment "B" for additional Board meeting dates.


Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish expressed his appreciation to Yes We Can, the Finance Committee and the Chamber for all their hard work.

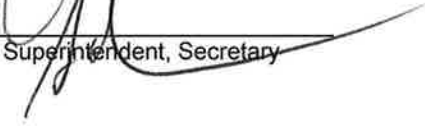
**Adjournment:**

Mr. Jimmy Addison made a motion seconded by Mr. Ben Armstrong to adjourn. The motion carried. Voting was as follows: "YEA" – Jones, Woodall, Addison, Armstrong, Maddox. "NAY" – None. "ABSTAIN" – None.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

APPROVED: May 16, 2011

  
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Dr. Harry Wayne Parrish, Chairman

  
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Sam Nichols, Superintendent, Secretary

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**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FILING WITH THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF DOTHAN, ALABAMA  
OF A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR THE LEVY OF AN ADDITIONAL 15 MILLS  
OF MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE SUPPORT OF  
DOTHAN CITY SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN THE CITY OF DOTHAN**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF DOTHAN, ALABAMA (the "Board"), as follows:

The Board hereby approves, authorizes and directs the filing with the Board of Commissioners of the City of Dothan, Alabama of a written request for an increase, pursuant to Section 217(f) of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, in the rate at which the City of Dothan's existing municipal ad valorem taxes are levied from one-half of one percent (5 mills) to two percent (20 mills), subject to approval by the Alabama State Legislature and thereafter majority vote of the qualified electors residing in the City of Dothan to vote in a special election, with such additional ad valorem tax revenues (net of the cost of collection) being distributed as follows: (i) thirteen-fifteenths (13/15ths) of such additional revenues would be distributed to the City Board of Education of the City of Dothan, Alabama to be used exclusively for public school purposes and (ii) the remainder of such additional revenues would be distributed to the Houston-Love Memorial Library Board to be used exclusively for the improvement, operation and maintenance of public libraries within the City of Dothan.

Such written request shall be in substantially the form and of substantially the content as the form of the request attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, executed in the name and on behalf of the Board by the Chairman and Secretary thereof.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2011.

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Chairman

SEAL

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

**Exhibit A**

(See Attached)

**REQUEST FOR THE LEVY OF AN ADDITIONAL  
15 MILLS OF MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE SUPPORT OF  
DOTHAN CITY SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN THE CITY OF DOTHAN**

TO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF DOTHAN, ALABAMA:

The undersigned City Board of Education of the City of Dothan, Alabama, hereby requests your honorable body to propose an increase, pursuant to Section 217(f) of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, in the rate at which the City of Dothan's existing municipal ad valorem taxes are levied from one-half of one percent (5 mills) to two percent (20 mills), subject to approval by the Alabama State Legislature and thereafter majority vote of the qualified electors residing in the City of Dothan to vote in a special election, with such additional ad valorem tax revenues (net of the cost of collection) being distributed as follows: (i) thirteen-fifteenths (13/15ths) of such additional revenues would be distributed to the City Board of Education of the City of Dothan, Alabama to be used exclusively for public school purposes and (ii) the remainder of such additional revenues would be distributed to the Houston-Love Memorial Library Board to be used exclusively for the improvement, operation and maintenance of public libraries within the City of Dothan.

This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2011.

CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
CITY OF DOTHAN, ALABAMA

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Chairman

SEAL

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

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Secretary

STATE OF ALABAMA )

HOUSTON COUNTY )

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned duly elected, qualified and acting Secretary of the City Board of Education of the City of Dothan, Alabama (the "Board"), does hereby certify that: the above and foregoing pages constitute a complete, verbatim and compared copy of excerpts from the minutes of a meeting of the Board duly held on the \_\_\_\_ day of February, 2011, the original of which is on file and of record in the minute book of the Board in my custody; the resolutions set forth in such excerpts are complete, verbatim and compared copies of such resolutions as introduced and adopted by the Board on such date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Secretary of the Board and have affixed the official seal of the Board, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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Secretary of the City Board of Education of the  
City of Dothan, Alabama

SEAL

**DOTHAN CITY SCHOOLS**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**BOARD MEETINGS**

Regular Meetings are normally held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month.

All meetings are scheduled for 5:00 P.M. in the Dothan City Schools' Teachers' Center, 500 Dusy Street, unless otherwise announced.

Meeting dates are occasionally changed due to holidays or conflicts. Additional Special meetings are held as needed and are announced in local media.

Monday, February 14, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, March 21, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, April 18, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, May 16, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, June 20, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, July 18, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, August 15, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, September 19, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, November 14, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, December 12, 2011	.....	Regular Board Meeting