BOYD RESIGNS AS DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

Putnam Co., TN

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The Putnam County School Board will have a special called meeting this afternoon for the purpose of appointing an interim Director of Schools following the sudden resignation of Jerry Boyd from that job Tuesday.



"It is with a heavy heart that I must submit my resignation to end my time with the Putnam County School System to be effective immediately," Boyd said in a letter to board members. "Ongoing personal issues necessitate my resignation so I can give my full focus to my family and the future of my family."

Deputy Director of Schools Corby King said, "This has not been an easy decision for Mr. Boyd, but he believes this is what is best for him and his family at this time."

In the letter submitted to the Putnam County Board of Education Tuesday, Boyd said it had been "an honor for me serve the Putnam County School System for the past 23 years as a teacher, principal, curriculum supervisor, technology supervisor, assistant director of schools, and director of schools for the past eight years."

"No words can adequately express the true level of admiration I have for the educators and all that support them in our schools and across our school system," Boyd said in the letter. "I am also thankful to have had the opportunity to work with so many community members that strive to ensure that Putnam County is the best community to raise, work, learn and thrive."

The school board has scheduled a special called board meeting for 5 p.m. today (Wednesday) for the purpose of accepting Boyd's resignation and to appoint an Interim Director of Schools.

Boyd was first appointed interim Director of Schools in January 2012 and was later given the job on a permanent basis. The school board has given him consistently positive evaluations since then and voted last month to give him a raise and extend his contract through June 30, 2022.

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