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Ramer Special School District

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COMPILER'S NOTE: The Tennessee Department of Education has no record of this special school district. It is included in this compilation, however, because it has not been specifically repealed or superseded by law.

SECTION 1. That a Special School District, be and the same is hereby created and established in McNairy County, Tennessee, out of a part of the Fourth Civil District to be known and designated as the Ramer Special School District. The boundaries of the same are as follows: Beginning at a stake on the bank of Cypress Creek on the line between A. B. Hamm and Co. and Petty and Son, running in an easterly, then southern direction, following the present line between the Fourth and Fourteenth Civil Districts, to the Muddy Canal, crossing the Canal on the line between J. A. Houston and Sam Houston; then east with E. W. Mitchell's line to his southeast corner; then north with Tom Baker's east line crossing the Mobile and Ohio railroad near the old Muddy Bridge to Jas. S. Lawson's southwest corner, then east with his line to a stake on the Selmer and Guys road, then north with the road to J. A. Houston's line following said line to his northeast corner, then west with the said J. A. Houston line to the line of M. H. Hamm, then with his line north to the line of John H. Hamm, then with the line of John H. Hamm to W. P. McMahan's line, then west with the line of John H. Hamm to the line of T. P. Rammer, then south with the line of T. P. Rammer to Jas. S. Lawson's corner, following the line between Jas. S. Lawson and Chandler to J. C. Houston's northeast corner, then following the J. C. Houston's north line running west to Cal Tate's line then north to J. C. Reeder's line ; then north with Prairie Branch between J. C. Reeder and T. H. Prather and Robert Sheldon's line to his northeast corner; then west to his northwest corner, then south to Luther Engle, following line to his northwest corner, going west; then south to the line of Oscar Wallace; then west on the line between Oscar Wallace and L. S. Bell to his southwest corner, then north with Mrs. Lena Swain's line to her corner on the Darby land; then west to W. B. Johnson's line following his line to Bob Knight's line, then north on Bob Knight's line to his northeast corner, following line (sic) west with A. W. Smith's to Bob Knight's northwest corner, then north with A. W. Smith and Lee Richard's line to a thistle on Cypress Creek, then west with Lee Richard's north line to a stake on the present line between the Fourth and the First Civil Districts following this Civil District line between the two Civil Districts to the line of the Eighteenth Civil District, then to the beginning at the corner of the Fourth and Fourteenth Civil Districts.

SECTION 2. That the officers of the said Ramer Special School District shall be and consist of a Board of three members, to be called a Board of Directors, who and their successors in office shall be a body politic and corporate by and under the name of the Ramer School District, a majority of the said Board shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. The first Board of Directors shall be J. A. Houston, J. R. Hamm, and E. T. Kirk, and they shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. The said Board of Directors shall be elected by the qualified voters within the boundaries herein defined, and the first election for said Board of Directors shall be the election in August, 1922. Said members shall be freeholders, and 25 years of age, and of good moral character, and each to possess at least an elementary school education. Any vacancy that may occur in the Board shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board. The Board of Directors herein named, and hereinafter elected, shall organize by the election of one of their number as President or Chairman, one as Secretary, and one as Treasurer.

SECTION 3. That said Board of Directors and their successors in office are hereby declared to be the Board of Directors of the said Ramer Special School District, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and have continual succession for the purposes designated and stated in this Act. They may have a common seal, and may make such by-laws and rules and regulations as may be necessary to properly carry out the purposes of the Act, so as not to be inconsistent with the authority herein conferred and the laws of the State of Tennessee. The members of the said Board of Directors shall each serve for a term of two years; and until their successors are elected and qualified, but the Board of Directors herein named shall as before designated, serve until the next regular election in August, 1922, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SECTION 4. That the powers and duties of the said Board of Directors are as herein set out and generally as follows: to establish and maintain in conjunction with the County Boards of Education, a High School and Elementary School or Grammar School; to employ teachers, and to fix the salaries of such; and to discharge the same for sufficient reasons; to fix the time of the opening of such schools and the length of the term of such; to build or keep in repair all necessary buildings for school purposes, to suspend or dismiss pupils when in the judgement of the said Board, it is to the best interests of the school to do so; to use and expend as they may see fit and proper the funds that may come into their hands from any and all sources for school purposes; to fix the time of holding the meetings of the said Board , as well as the

place of the said meetings; to hold in trust school property, real and personal, and to dispose of the same by deed or otherwise as they in their judgement and discretion may determine, and apply the proceeds of same to the benefit of the said school district.

SECTION 5. That for the purposes of supporting and maintaining the schools as herein named and designated in the said Special School District, and to raise funds with which to supplement the general school fund now used and available to the end that there shall be at least an eight month's term of free school in each year, there is hereby for the year 1921 and for each following and subsequent year, levied a tax of fifty cents on every \$100 worth of taxable property; both real and personal situated within the said Special School District, and also a poll tax of one dollar on each and every person now subject to poll tax under the general law or that may be subject to such when the assessment is made. The basis for the assessment for the tax shall be the assessed valuation of all such property named as shown from the tax books of the County Trustee; all taxes assessed as to any real estate shall be in lien on such real estate. All taxes herein mentioned shall be due and payable as all other taxes are under the general law, and shall be collected by the County Trustee as other taxes are collected by him, authority is given the said Board of Directors to lower the rate, if in their judgement by so doing a sufficient amount can be thus realized to maintain the schools as herein provided, by supplementing the amount realized as hereinbefore set out. The tax collected under this special assessment by the County Trustee, shall be turned over to the Treasurer of the said Board of Directors and by him expended on the order of the said Board for the use and benefit of the said schools in the way of supplementing with the same the funds derived under the general law for school purposes. The Trustee of the County will as soon as convenient after the collection of the taxes or any portion of the same, turn same over to the said Treasurer. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as to in any way interfere with the collection of or the expenditure of the taxes under the general law.

SECTION 6. That within ten days after the passage of this Act, the said Board of Directors herein named shall meet and organize by the election of the President or Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. All of them shall serve without compensation, except the Secretary may be paid as allowed under the law for taking of the scholastic population of the said Ramer Special School District so that the same shall not exceed \$15.00. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of all the proceedings of the said Board in a well bound book kept for that purpose. The Treasurer shall execute and give a bond in the amount and penalty fixed by the said Board of Directors, payable to the State of Tennessee, and he shall properly account for all funds coming into his hands. The amount of the bond shall be sufficient to cover all the money that may come in to his hands, the hands of the Treasurer of the said Board of Directors, as before stated it shall be payable to the State of Tennessee, and for the use and benefit of the said Special School District. The bond is to be approved by the President of the said Board of Directors and filed with the Secretary of the same. The Secretary shall draw all warrants on the Treasurer for school purposes, and the warrant or warrants shall be countersigned by the Chairman or President of the said Board of Directors.

SECTION 7. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act, be and the same are hereby repealed, and that this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

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