

Congratulations

Paul Mize

New

Board Member



Mize Appointed To TPSD Board, Davis Named President

TUPELO, Miss. – Paul Mize III, a life-long Tupelo resident, has been appointed to the Tupelo Public School District Board of Trustees by mayor Jason Shelton.

Mize, 34, replaces Rob Hudson, who resigned earlier this month.

In other key board moves, Eddie Prather was sworn in for a third term, while Sherry Davis was elected board president. Ken Wheeler is now the vice president, while Joe Babb was voted as secretary.

“My wife (Bonnie) and I are proud products of the Tupelo Public School District, and my son (Henry) is currently attending ECEC,” said Mize, a 2006 Ole Miss graduate who is currently First Vice President of Commercial Lending at BankPlus. “I understand the importance of a strong public school district and the positive impact it can have on the community.

“I am honored to serve as a member of the school board, and I am eager to work hard to continue the tradition of excellence in education that Tupelo Public School District is known for.”

Mize, a Top 40 Under 40 finalist by the Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal, is a 2002 graduate of Tupelo High School. After earning his Bachelor of Business Administration, Banking and Finance degree, he graduated from the Southeastern School of Commercial Lending in 2013. Three years later, he finished Summa Cum Laude from the Barret Graduate of School of Banking at Christian Brothers University.

At BankPlus, he oversees loan growth, loan quality and credit approval in the Tupelo commercial lending department.

“We are excited to have Mr. Mize as a new board member,” TPSD superintendent Dr. Rob Picou said. “I believe he will complement the outstanding board we have in TPSD. I look forward to

working with Mr. Mize as he makes the transition and into the future as we continue providing outstanding educational services to the families and students of Tupelo,”

Mize is an active member of the Tupelo community. He currently serves on several boards, including the Traceway Retirement Community and Boy Scouts of America Yocona Area Council.

He’s also a member of the Kiwanis Club and has served on the Downtown Tupelo Main Street Association board and was a Community Development Foundation Ambassador for three years.

“I am excited to nominate Mr. Paul Mize to the TPSD School Board,” Shelton said. “He is actively involved in our community, brings a strong financial skill set to the board and is a TPSD parent. I believe that he will make an excellent addition to our school board and help maintain our district’s premier status in the State.

“The Tupelo Public School District is our greatest tool for economic development, for stopping the brain drain and improving the quality of life in our area. TPSD is the place to be for academic, artistic, extracurricular and athletic opportunities for area students, and Mr. Mize will work hard every day to keep our district moving in the right direction.”

Mize, and his wife Bonnie, have two sons, Henry (5) and William (3).

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