

## **METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION MEETING - Tuesday, March 13, 2018**

### **Members present**

Sharon Gentry, Will Pinkston, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Tyese Hunter, Mary Pierce, Amy Frogge

### **Meeting called to order at 3:17 PM**

### **CONVENE and ACTION**

#### A. Establish Quorum –

Ms. Shepherd called the meeting to order.

#### B. Pledge of Allegiance –

Led by Jacob Lancy Academy Coach at McGavock High School

#### C. 30 Seconds in My District...

Each Board Member gave brief update of their districts. Ms. Frogge also gave notice that she would be bringing a resolution at the next Board meeting concerning opposing arming teachers in classrooms.

### **AND THE GOOD NEWS IS...**

#### A. Student Ambassadors - McGavock High School

The following students each gave the Board a brief update on each of their academies: Myah Herod — Aegis Sciences Corporation Academy of Life Science and Law, Addison McLean — Academy of Aviation and Transportation, Tasha Asberry — CMT Academy of Digital Design and Communication, and Sammy Webster— CMT Academy of Digital Design and Communication

#### B. Hillsboro High School Theatre Performance

Students from Hillsboro High School Theatre performed before the Board meeting.

#### C. Dan Mills Elementary Artwork

Artwork from Dan Mills was on display during the Board meeting.

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- A. Winner of the Mayor and Nashville Public Library Summer Reading Challenge – Nashville Classical Charter School

The Board and Dr. Joseph recognized Nashville Classical for winning the summer reading challenge.

- B. State Champion in Wrestling - Gabrielle Neal – Cane Ridge High School

The Board and Dr. Joseph recognized Ms. Neal for winning the State Championship in Wrestling.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- A. Mary Jo Cramb – Ms. Cramb asked the Board to reconsider the changes to the Pre-K Sliding Scale.
- B. Carl Febles– Mr. Febles addressed the Board concerning his support of the Reading Recovery program.
- C. Erick Huth – Dr. Huth asked the Board to support teacher pay increases.
- D. Theresa Wagner – Ms. Wagner addressed the Board concerning School Safety/Arming Teachers
- E. Mary Elizabeth Lomax – Ms. Lomax asked the Board to reconsider the changes to the Pre-K Sliding Scale.
- F. Jill Mothershed – Ms. Mothershed addressed the Board concerning his support of the Reading Recovery program.
- G. John Haubenreich – Operating Budget
- H. LaMonte O. Frierson - Mr. Frierson asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- I. Christine Pulle – Ms. Pulle asked the Board to reconsider the changes to the Pre-K Sliding Scale.
- J. Dianne Brown - Ms. Brown asked the Board to asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- K. LaToya Landers - Ms. Landers asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- L. Angela Ponder - Ms. Ponder asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- M. Cristen Battle - Ms. Battle asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- N. Kimberly Powell - Ms. Powell asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- O. Patricia Young - Ms. Young asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- P. Tyron Wilson - Mr. Wilson asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.

- Q. Carl Brown - Mr. Brown asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- R. Wesley Roberts – Mr. Roberts asked the Board to support the MNEA Memorandum of Understanding by moving forward the MOU approval.
- S. Amanda Kail – Ms. Kail addressed the Board concerning teacher pay increases.
- T. Carol Burden - Ms. Burden addressed the Board concerning the MNEA MOU, a 5% teacher pay increase, and Professional Development daily rate increase.
- U. Amy Leslie – Ms. Leslie asked the Board to support the MNEA MOU ` and move forward with approval.
- V. Ray Smith - Mr. Smith asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- W. Councilman Freddie O’Connell – Councilman O’Connell asked the Board to work with parents to ensure high quality leadership at Eakin Elementary School and other schools.
- X. Abby Humphrey – Ms. Humphrey highlighted the success of Eakin Elementary School.
- Y. Kim Dismukes – Ms. Dismukes spoke in place of Carrie Webb. Ms. Dismukes discussed her experience while participating in the principal selection process at Eakin Elementary School.
- Z. Laura Benton – Ms. Benton asked the Board to support the MNEA MOU.
- AA. Stephanie Harris – Ms. Harris asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- BB. Katheryn Bowers – Ms. Bowers asked the Board to reinstate the Whites Creek Basketball coach.
- CC. Councilwoman Brenda Haywood – Councilwoman Haywood asked the Board to support the Whites Creek Basketball coach.

**GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

A. Consent

Ms. Frogge pulled a. Recommended Award of Contract for Professional Services (District-Wide Test and Balance Services) – Thermal Balance, Inc.

Ms. Speering read the following consent agenda:

b. Recommended Approval of Change Order #1 for Crieve Hall Elementary School Additions – Orion Building Corporation

c. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts

- (1) Belmont University
- (2) Cumberland International Trucks Inc.
- (3) Mid-South Bus Center, Inc.
- (4) Unico Technology

**Motion to approve the consent agenda as read.**

**Motion by Jill Speering, second by Jo Ann Brannon.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Passes**

**Yes: Sharon Gentry, Will Pinkston, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Tyese Hunter, Mary Pierce, Amy Frogge**

Ms. Frogge asked for more information on Item b. Recommended Approval of Change Order #1 for Crieve Hall Elementary School Additions – Orion Building Corporation. Mr. Proffit stated that contract summary would be revised and brought back to the Board at a later time.

B. Resolution to Amend Letter Grading of Tennessee Public Schools

Ms. Speering read the Resolution to Amend Letter Grading of Tennessee Public Schools.

**Motion to approve the Resolution to Amend Letter Grading of Tennessee Public Schools**

**Motion by Jill Speering, second by Will Pinkston.**

**Final Resolution: Motion Passes**

**Yes: Sharon Gentry, Will Pinkston, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Tyese Hunter, Amy Frogge**

**Not Present : Mary Pierce**

**REPORTS**

A. Director Reports

1. HR Update – The HR update was postponed.

B. Board Chairman's Report

1. Chair Report – Ms. Shepherd gave a brief chair report.

C. Announcements

1. Ms. Frogge congratulated all of the Blue Ribbon Teachers.
2. Ms. Frogge requested that the Board have a discussion around Lead in the Water within MNPS in the near future.
3. Ms. Speering announced that she participated in Project Lit at Maplewood High School.
4. Ms. Hunter read Benjamin Franklin's World Virtues to the Board and audience.
5. Ms. Hunter gave notice that she would bring a resolution regarding Gun Violence to an upcoming Board Meeting.
6. Ms. Pierce announced that she attended the Hillsboro PAC meeting. She thanked the PAC for a great meeting.
7. Ms. Shepherd announced that the Blue Ribbon reception would be held Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

D. Ms. Pierce adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.



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Chris M. Henson  
Board Secretary

Anna Shepherd  
Board Chair

Date