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TOPIC	DISCUSSION/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
Roll Call	Present: Cheryl D. Mayes, Chair	
	Dr. Jo Ann Brannon	
	Amy Frogge	
	Michael W. Hayes	
	Dr. Sharon Gentry	
	Elissa Kim	
	Anna Shepherd, Vice-Chair	
	Jill Speering	
	Will Pinkston	
	Akaninyene Eyoh and Marquetta Bowling, Student Board Members	
	Dr. Jesse Register, Director of Schools	
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71 1 6 1 11 1	Ms. Mayes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.	
Pledge of Allegiance	Led by Justin Hughes, a 5 th grader at Knowledge Academy.	
Student Board Member Report	Ms. Bowling gave the following report: Our report tonight begins with the	
	TMAC activity held January 23 rd at Antioch High School. TMAC students	
	conducted a Fish Bowl activity, where the goal is to keep the dialogue relevant	
	and moving about the topics. They brainstormed ideas, which resulted in 4	
	topics: Bullying, Respect, Support and Encouragement, and General Concerns	
	of Life. Each student gave one personal concern, and TMAC students	
	facilitated the activity. Mr. Eyoh gave the following report: My report	
	continues with TMAC events; our January meeting provided an interactive	
	activity charting the impact of the high school Academy experiences. When	
	asked one question, "What academy experience has been the best for you?",	
	some of the responses were: Specific teacher support, Learning how to run our	
	own company, Hands on, The research in medical science, Learning how to	
	write memos and business letters. Our next meeting is scheduled for February	
	28 th . We will present the information to TMAC and will also continue the	
	interactive dialogue around college preparation and school resources.	
In Memoriam- Sharon Force	Ms. Force worked at Granbery Elementary as a General Assistant, but to the	
	school, and surrounding community, she contributed so much more than the	
	title would allow. Ms. Force supervised the cafeteria and started the school's	
	award-winning recycling program. She taught students about being good	
	stewards of the earth by learning to separate food waste and by recycling our	
	plastic and paper food packaging. We will miss Ms. Force, as an employee	
	and a friend to the community. Granbery is currently working with community	
	partners to create a network of supporters to sustain its recycling program.	

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Update on House Bill 702	Dr. Register updated the Board on House Bill 702, which was passed in Sub-	
	Committee by a vote of 6-3. This amendment to the House Bill allows charter	
	applicants to apply for charter school status two ways: (1.) Directly to the LEA	
	(the Board of Education), (2.) Directly to the State Board of Education, given	
	certain circumstances. The amendment would apply to MNPS and Shelby	
	County Schools out of all of the districts in Tennessee. If the charter is	
	approved by the State Board of Education, directly bypassing the local Board	
	of Education, it results in no local input, allowing the charter to become part of	
	the State school system and not local. In that case, the Board would not have	
	responsibility for oversight, but would have financial responsibility. The bill	
	was introduced yesterday, was heard in Sub-Committee today, and approved	
	today; a very fast process. Ms. Speering and Ms. Frogge were in attendance	
	during the Sub-Committee's vote.	
	Ms. Frogge said, I spoke before the committee today and made the following	
	comments: I represent a silent majority of people in my district that are	
	opposed to this type of legislation. I hope that the committee will be willing to	
	listen to the people that will be directly affected by the bill. In Davidson	
	County, we have a good record of high-performing charter schools, and are	
	exceeding the national average in performance. MNPS is exceeding the	
	national average in the number of approvals of charter schools granted, shown	
	openness to innovation, and demonstrated good management skills.	
	Unfortunately, this bill has grown out of a disagreement concerning the quality	
	of one particular charter school, and would place an undue financial burden on	
	the city. Mr. Hayes said, I have in the past spoken out about the state-wide	
	authorization of charter schools. I believe there is a tremendous amount	
	missing from this bill in order for it to be successful. If the legislature is serious about moving forward with this bill, I suggest that they consult with	
	our Office of Innovation to gain a full understanding of the process. I believe	
	there could be a valid path to a state-wide authorizer, but do not believe this	
	bill is sufficient. Mr. Pinkston said, the same way it is important for the Board	
	to listen to the State, I believe it is also important for the State to listen to the	
	Board. Regardless of individual thoughts concerning a state authorizer, there	
	are many questions to the bill itself. I am not sure if this bill is constitutional	
	due to it only applying to two districts. Also, is there any precedent for the	
	State to confiscate local taxpayer dollars without the Board's consent? If the	
	State would like to enter the business of running schools, I hope they are also	
	willing to take on the financial responsibility, etc. I would like the Board to	

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Update on House Bill 702 - continued	examine options, and have a legal analysis. Ms. Shepherd said, I emailed each	
	member of the Sub-Committee stating: (1.) the voting citizens of MNPS and	
	Shelby County Schools should be outraged that this bill threatens to take away	
	the voting rights of the people they elected to make decisions, (2.) This is an	
	unfunded mandate. Ms. Speering said, This bill eliminates the power of the	
	local Board, therefore eliminating the voice of the people's vote. If this bill	
	continues, it will have a negative effect on MNPS, and I also feel that legal	
	options should be considered. Dr. Brannon also attended the sub-committee	
	meeting and was in agreement with everyone's comments. Ms. Mayes said,	
	The bill was pushed through quickly and does not state who is accountable if	
	this legislation is not successful. Unfortunately, when poor legislation is	
	recommended, the last thing that is considered is the children.	
	AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS	
National Board Certified Teachers –	The Board presented Awards of Recognition to the following teachers for	
Tina Atkinson – Percy Priest Elementary,	receiving their National Board Certification: Tina Atkinson, Leigh Bybee,	
Leigh Bybee – Meigs Middle Magnet,	Jennifer Coats, Lauryn England, Amy Leslie, Lori Likins, Lesley Thompson,	
Jennifer Coats – Percy Priest Elementary,	and Starra Withers. MNPS now has 65 teachers with National Board	
Lauryn England – Ross Elementary,	Certification, the most of any school district in Tennessee.	
Amy Leslie – McMurray Middle,		
Lori Likins – Glengarry Elementary,		
Lesley Thompson – Meigs Middle Magnet,		
Starra Withers – Dan Mills Elementary		
	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	
Erica Herbert – Special Education	Ms. Herbert addressed the Board concerning Special Education and bullying in	
	MNPS. She asked the Board to investigate the issues.	
• Robbie Bruce – 26.4.26 Foundation	Mr. Bruce addressed the Board concerning the 26.4.26 Foundation. He asked	
	the Board to support the 26.4.26 Foundation.	
	GOVERNANCE ISSUES	
• ACTIONS	Ms. Shepherd read the following consent agenda items: IV-A-1-a-	
1. Consent	Approval of Minutes – 1/08/13 Regular Meeting; IV-A-1-b-Recommended	
	Award of Contract for Completion of Haywood Elementary School	
	Additions – Edwards Construction, LLC – MBOE 09-015; IV-A-1-c-	
	Change Order #1 for Boiler Improvements at Bailey STEM Magnet	
	School – Advanced Mechanical Contractors, Inc. – M-478; IV-A-1-d-	
	Change Order #2 for Gateway Elementary School Additions and	
	Renovations – Robert S. Biscan & Co., Inc.; IV-A-1-e- Change Order #2	
	for Isaac Litton Middle School Additions and Renovations - R.G.	
	Anderson Co., Inc. –M-448; IV-A-1-f- Recommended Approval of Lease	

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Consent agenda - continued	for The Academy at Hickory Hollow; IV-A-1-g- Recommended Approval	
	of Lease Amendment for Spectrum Center Inc. of Tennessee's Use of the	
	Old Hickman Building; IV-A-1-h- Awarding of Bids and Contracts (1.)	
	Vanderbilt University Center for Science Outreach (CSO), (2.) Automated	
	Processes, Inc. (API), (3.) University of Cambridge International	
	Examinations, (4.) American Education Solutions, Inc., (5.) National	
	Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS), (6.) Teach for	
	America, Inc. (Amendment #2), (7.) International Baccalaureate	
	Organization (IBO), (8.) Connected Tennessee, (9.) LPS Integration, Inc.,	
	IV-A-1-i- Recommended Approval of Legal Settlement Claim #C-30408	
	(\$60,00); IV-A-1-j- Recommended Approval of Requests for Compulsory	
	Attendance Waiver; IV-A-1-k- Recommended Approval of Data Sharing	
	Agreement Between Martha O'Bryan Center and MNPS; IV-A-1-l-	
	Recommended Approval of Textbook Adoption; IV-A-1-m-	
	Recommended Approval of Resolution for Magent School Assistance	
	Program Grant.	VOTE: 8-0-1 – Kim - Abstain
 Approval of Charges of Dimissal for Freda 	Dr. Register read the following Charges of Dismissal for Freda Crump: I am	
Crump	writing to recommend the dismissal of Freda Crump from employment as a	
	tenured teacher with the Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools, pursuant to	
	T.C.A. §49-5-511. I have charged her with incompetence, inefficiency,	
	neglect of duty, unprofessional conduct or conduct unbecoming to a member	
	of the teaching profession, and insubordination, which are all grounds for her	
	dismissal pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §49-5-511. These terms are	
	specifically defined in Tenn. Code Ann. §49-5-501. Evidence supporting	
	these charges was set forth in my letter to Freda Crump on February 1, 2013, a	
	copy of which is attached. I am asking you to certify these charges by voting	
	that, if proven true, these charges warrant Ms. Crump's dismissal. Should you	
	certify these charges, I will inform Ms. Crump of your action and formally	
	advise her of the right to request a hearing before an impartial hearing officer.	
	At the present time, I am only asking you to certify the charges. I am not	
	asking you to weigh evidence either for or against dismissal. I am merely	
	asking you to vote that the charges, if proven true, warrant dismissal. If Ms.	
	Crump requests a hearing, it will occur at some point in the future.	
	Accordingly, it is my recommendation that Freda Crump be dismissed from	
	employment with the Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools.	
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	Ms. Shepherd made the motion to certify the Charges of Dismissal for	
	Freda Crump. Mr. Hayes seconded.	VOTE: 9-0-Unanimous

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Recommended Approval of 2012 Director's	Ms. Kim stated that the Director Evaluation Committee met and recommended	
Evaluation (Director Evaluation	the approval of the 2012 Director's Evaluation. Ms. Kim said, major progress	
Committee)	has been made in MNPS, but we all want to push the bar to make sure that	
	every school is a great school. Over the last year, Dr. Register has	
	championed notable changes ranging from the full implementation of a	
	Teacher Evaluation System to Central Office restructuring to sharpened focus	
	on unleashing even greater leadership through autonomy and accountability at	
	the principal level. The district has demonstrated improvements in everything	
	from cost management (just three years ago we were under federal scrutiny for	
	questionable practices, and now we are in good standing) to stronger	
	communications with stakeholders. Many large-scale changes are in relatively	
	early stages, but this positive movement forward inspires a growing sense of	
	possibility, as well as urgency to increase the pace of improvement. Bright	
	spots across the district- where several schools drove dramatic increases in	
	student achievement- help give us that greater sense of urgency, and promising	
	District-wide growth tells us that we can, and must, move the needle across the	
	board. All of this speaks to the leadership of Dr. Register and the herculean	
	effort it takes to lead and manage a system of 10,000 people strong serving	
	81,000 kids; countless duties ranging from getting the buses to run safely and	
	on time to ensuring that we train and develop our instructional leaders, all fall	
	under Dr. Register's remit, and we commend him for taking us forward over	
	the last year. Yet, before us lies an incredible opportunity and challenge; we	
	have made progress, but we- the board and Dr. Register collectively- see the	
	need for increased pace of change that builds off everything we've learned thus	
	far re: driving better student achievement outcomes; we want world-class	
	teaching and learning in every classroom, which itself is driven by everything	
	from better recruitment, selection, and retention of outstanding principals and	
	teachers, to exceptional coaching and development of the 6,000 teacher and	
	principal leaders in our schools, to community support and engagement in the	
	effort. Put another way, and in Dr. Register's words, we want every school to	
	be a great school that is capable of providing the kind of education that enables	
	kids to do whatever they want in life. So, it is with this spirit that we approach	
	the future and outline recommendations moving forward. (1.) Outline district	
	level goals that clearly articulate our short and long-term student achievement	
	goals. Reflections and assessments against these goals should drive future	
	Board-level conversations as well as Director evaluations. (2.) Within every	
	department, articulate clear, relevant goals upfront that tie to our district-wide	
	effort to improve student achievement outcomes; encourage and expect regular	
	reflection against goals that spur course-correction and continuous	

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Recommended Approval of 2012 Director's Evaluation (Director Evaluation Commttee) - continued	improvement; manage progress against goals. Goals (and discussion of progress against goals) should drive future Board-level reflections as well as Director evaluations. (3.) Drive a more disciplined use of data across the system, while ensuring that usage and analysis is purposeful and effective. (4.) Ramp up Human Capital focus and work. Specifically, work to build world-class recruitment, selection, ongoing support and retention of top teachers and principals across the district. We are also revisiting the Director's Evaluation form and we will continue to work to set MNPS up for success. Mr. Pinkston said, Dr. Register is highly respected across the country and also commended Dr. Register for his hard work with MNPS.	
	Dr. Register thanked the Board for their time and collaboration. Mr. Hayes made the motion to approve the 2012 Director's Evaluation. Ms. Shepherd seconded.	VOTE: 9-0-Unanimous
Recommended Approval of Managing Diversity Plan	Dr. Register said, the Managing Diversity Plan is a result of the Board's approval of the resolution in support of diversity within MNPS. This plan points the District forward by defining integration in terms of seeking critical masses of diverse groups in schools and by placing limits on sizes of groups, by defining diversity not only by race and ethnicity but also by income level and language and disability, by including the diversity of the school staff that contributes to the diversity experience of students in the schools. Henceforth, when we look at diversity in schools, we will at the same time look at school-wide achievement in the same schools. MNPS is now a diverse school system, and it is important that we embrace that fact and recognize going forward that this is an asset for the district. Currently, of 133 schools that are included in diversity measure, 50% meet the plan's definition of student diversity and that encompass 58% of the district's students, 52% are plurality schools, and 41% have staff diversity.	
	Mr. Pinkston said, It is important that we reflect on the progress of the District. For nearly 40 years, Nashville lived under a Federal Desegregation lawsuit; it has only been 15 years since that suit ended. This plan is needed, and we all believe that the diversity within MNPS should be celebrated. If we don't approach charter schools and other schools of choice in a thoughtful way, we will either enhance diversity, or inadvertently begin re-segregating the school	

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Recommended Approval of Managing	system; no one wants that. At this point, we need to work to engage the	
Diversity Plan - continued	community, providing them with information on the plan. Mr. Hayes asked,	
	do you think this plan could be used to prevent CMO's to open multiple	
	campuses throughout the county? Dr. Register said, no, we are considering	
	individual schools. The goal is to be intentional about decision-making and	
	ensuring that schools fit our goal of having diverse schools within MNPS. Ms.	
	Frogge commended Mr. Len Stevens for his work on the Diversity Plan.	
	Mr. Pinkston made the motion to approve the Diversity Plan. Ms.	
	Shepherd seconded.	VOTE: 9-0 Unanimous
	REPORTS	
Director's Report	Ms. Chaput-Guizani presented the TLG Report: Performance of English	
TLG Report: Performance of	Language Learners (ELL) to the Board.	
English Language Learners	M. C	
	Ms. Speering asked, why did scores change in 2008-09? Were there changes	
	made? Ms. Chaput-Guizani said, there have been changes but Research and Development has stated that there is not such a great variance so that one	
	change stands out. Dr. Register said, could the number of newcomers effect	
	the numbers? Ms. Chaput-Guizani said, the newcomers could have an effect.	
	Ms. Speering asked, how productive are integrated classrooms? Ms. Chaput-	
	Guizani said, we are working with the ELL coaches and staff to work towards	
	high-functioning integrated classrooms. Ms. Speering asked how many non-	
	English speaking parents are participating in activities? Ms. Chaput-Guizani	
	said, attendance has been very good, but we are in need of more parental	
	leaders. Mr. Pinkston said, why are there changes in the number of ELL	
	population in the lower grades? Ms. Chaput-Guizani said, the majority of ELL	
	students begin in kindergarten and then advance after three to four years. Mr.	
	Pinkston congratulated the principals and teachers in the Antioch area for their	
	hard work, specifically in the area of ELL. Ms. Shepherd asked, what is the	
	difference between ELL and LEP? Ms. Chaput-Guizani said, LEP are students	
	who have exited EL services. Ms. Shepherd asked approximately how many	
	translators are in MNPS? Ms. Chaput-Guizani said, 46 translators, speaking	
	14 languages and from 15 countries. Ms. Kim said, she would like to see ELL	
	set more district goals. Ms. Chaput-Guizani said, we will work on setting district goals, and we are working on a three-year Strategic Plan which should	
	also help with goals. Ms. Kim asked what are we doing to ensure ELL	
	students attend college? Ms. Chaput-Guizani said she would provide that	
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TLG Report: Performance of English Language Learners - continued	information to the Board.	
Assessment Update	Dr. Changas gave the Board an Assessment Update.	
	Dr. Brannon thanked Dr. Changas for the update. Ms. Frogge said, I consistently hear concerns about the number of assessments given to students which in return has seemed to create a culture of fear. Many schools cut out many activities in order to ensure that testing is completed. Are assessments helpful or even useful to the teachers? Dr. Changas said, as we move into computerized testing, the hope is that testing time will be cut down. I also hope that as we get better, we will have to be less reliant on standardized testing. Ms. Frogge asked, what changes will be made in the future? Dr. Changas said, TCAP will be replaced with PARCC Assessments. Ms. Speering said, DIBELS is counterproductive to early reading and a waste of time and money. Dr. Changas said, we will review the assessments that we	
	have control over to determine whether they are valuable and adding value.	
Committee Reports – Advocacy	Ms. Frogge highlighted the resolutions concerning advocacy that the Board has passed.	
Committee Reports – Youth Safety Summit	Ms. Shepherd stated the Youth Safety Summit will be held April 6 th from 9:00 a.m. – noon at McGavock High School. The keynote speaker will be Craig Scott from Rachel's Challenge. There will be several breakout sessions held, and more details will be given in the future.	
Committee Reports – Budget and Finance	Mr. Pinkston announced upcoming Budget and Finance Committee meeting dates: March 4 th and March 12 th at 3:30 p.m., April 2 nd at 5:00 p.m. Public Hearing (with meeting following), and April 9 th at 3:30 p.m.	
	ANNOUNCEMENTS	
Dan Mills Community Meeting	Ms. Speering thanked Patti Yon, the PTO, and Dr. Register for their help and participation at the Dan Mills Elementary Community Meeting.	
Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development Conference	Ms. Speering congratulated Dr. Susan Kessler for presenting at the Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development Conference.	
Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce	Ms. Shepherd announced that she will be attending the program at the Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce on February 14 th to discuss all ofspace of the great things happening at McGavock High School.	
Parent Advisory Council Meeting	Ms. Shepherd announced that she attended the informative, and well-attended, Parent Advisory Council meeting on February 11 th at the Martin Center.	

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Policy Governance – Notice of Motion	Mr. Pinkston gave Notice of Motion that he would be bringing a motion	
	around revisiting Policy Governance and student academic achievement. Mr.	
	Hayes encouraged Mr. Pinkston to review the information Dr. Changas	
	presented to the Board.	
Policy Governance	Ms. Frogge said, the Board policies need to be reviewed. She asked Board	
77111	members to revisit the policies and submit changes for discussion.	
Hillsboro and Hillwood Community	Ms. Frogge announced that a community meeting will be held on February 25 th	
Meeting	at 6:15 p.m. at West End Middle School for the Hillsboro and Hillwood Clusters.	
Exxon Mobil Bernard Harris Scholarship	Dr. Brannon reminded students to apply for the Exxon Mobil Bernard Harris	
Exxon Mobil Bernard Harris Scholarship	Scholarship, which is awarded each June. The scholarships will be awarded to	
	two African-American and two Hispanic students completing their senior year	
	of high school in a member district of the Council of the Great City Schools.	
TSBA Day on the Hill	Ms. Mayes announced that Wednesday, February 20 th is TSBA Day on the	
- ISBN Buy on the Inn	Hill, and at 11:30 a.m. the same day is the CLASS luncheon meeting. If you	
	have not submitted your RSVP's and would like to attend, please let Board	
	Staff know tonight.	
Board Work Session	Ms. Mayes announced the next Board Work Session will be held Tuesday,	
	February 26 th and at 5:00 p.m.	
Education Summit at Fisk University	Ms. Mayes announced that she will be participating in the Education Summit	
	held February 16 th at Fisk Univeristy at 9:00 a.m	
Antioch High School Alumni Association	Ms. Mayes announced that the Antioch High School Alumni Association will	
	meet at the Antioch Community Center on February 21 st at 7:00 p.m.	
DigiGirlz Camp	Ms. Mayes announced that "DigiGirlz Camp" will be hosting a camp at Nissan	
	Headquarters in Franklin, TN on March 2 nd , and there are only 100 spots	
	available.	
Read Me Week	Ms. Mayes announced that Read Me Week is February 25th-March 1 st .	
Black History Month Quote	Ms. Mayes read the following quote by Rosa Parks in celebration of Black	
	History Month, "I didn't know that I was making history, I just got tired of	
	giving up."	
	WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD	
Board Calendar Items		
• Sales Tax Collections as of January 20,		
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Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget Figure 1. Page 1.		
Financial Report	W. F	
Adjournment	Ms. Frogge adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.	

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Signatures	Chris M. Henson Board Secretary	Cheryl D. Mayes Board Chair	Date	