

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
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March 11, 2014

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll Call 	<p>Present: Cheryl D. Mayes, Chair Anna Shepherd, Vice-Chair Dr. Jo Ann Brannon Amy Frogge Dr. Sharon Gentry Michael Hayes Elissa Kim Will Pinkston Jill Speering Dr. Jesse Register, Director of Schools Marquetta Bowling, Student Board Member Akaninyene Eyoh, Student Board Member</p> <p>Ms. Mayes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pledge of Allegiance 	<p>Led by Robbin Wall, Principal of McGavock High School.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Board Member Report – PASSAGE Program 	<p>Dr. Register gave a brief overview of the PASSAGE Program. PASSAGE, which stands for “Positive and Safe Schools Advancing Greater Equity,” is an action and learning network that aims to examine racial and other disparities in school discipline and find ways to move away from punitive, exclusionary approaches that contribute significantly to persistent achievement gaps. Ms. Bowling made the following comments about the PASSAGE Program: The PASSAGE Program really focuses on the discipline issues that most schools face. Every day, there are students who are being expelled or suspended due to their disciplinary actions. The PASSAGE Program purpose is to alleviate school discipline issues, which will not only help students, but teachers, principals, families, staff, and other important people. Students who have discipline problems not only hurt themselves, but the students surrounding them in the learning environment. This program will help our students in a very positive active approach. It will also decrease the percentage of how many students will leave school or enter the criminal justice system. Filling in these achievement and discipline gaps will help shape, build, and mold our Board of Education into one of the best school districts in the nation. Mr. Eyoh made the following comments about the Passage Program: The PASSAGE program works to give all students, regardless of race, ethnicity, or cultural background, an opportunity to achieve high levels of academic challenges. It also works to teach discipline to students to prevent them from dropping out or giving up on school. This is a program that is currently present</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Board Member Report – PASSAGE Program - continued 	<p>in 3 of the biggest cities in the United States: New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles. It has had a tremendous effect in the lives of many students. What many students are lacking in schools is a disciplined mindset. For example, statistics show that African American students are 3 times more likely to drop out of high school than white students. In addition, Latino students are 2 times more likely. I love the idea and mission of this program because it works to eliminate the stereotypes that African American, Latino, and other populations of students face. These stereotypes imply that ethnically diverse students do not have the ability to complete high school. However, with the work already put in place by the MNPS School Board, Nashville has taken a great step forward, along with the 3 cities I mentioned before, to show that any student of any background can be taught the skills needed for a post-secondary education. I believe that as time progresses forward, we as a district will see our graduation rates continue to increase and see our students flourish in college and in life.</p>	
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Board Certified Teachers – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ronda Armstrong – Stanford Elementary ○ Julie Dernberger – Neely’s Bend Elementary ○ Molly Martin – Cane Ridge Elementary ○ John Shuler – Jones Paideia Elementary ○ Marianne Sipe – Old Center Elementary 	<p>Five teachers in Metro Schools are now among the ranks of the most accomplished in the nation. They have earned National Board Certification, a difficult and exemplary achievement. National Board Certification is an advanced teaching credential given only to educators who complete a rigorous application and review process. Carrying this certification, teachers can lend their voices to the national conversation on effective teaching practices and instruction. Thanks to these five new additions, Metro Schools now has 71 National Board Certified Teachers. The Board and Dr. Register presented the following teachers with Certificates of Recognition: Ronda Armstrong, Julie Dernberger, Molly Martin, John Shuler, and Marianne Sipe.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bringing Justice to YOU Initiative – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Honorable Casey Moreland ○ Criminal Court Clerk Howard Gentry ○ Public Defender Dawn Deaner 	<p>The Bringing Justice to YOU Program provides legal services to parents of MNPS. The Board and Dr. Register presented Certificates of Recognition to Judge Moreland, Mr. Gentry, and Ms. Deaner for their involvement and support of MNPS through the Bringing Justice to YOU Initiative.</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aegis Sciences Corporation, Inc. – Academy of “Health Science and Law” at McGavock High School 	Aegis Sciences Corporation, Inc. will become the sixth branded partner in MNPS. In order to be considered a “branded partner”, a company must enter into a contract with MNPS for at least a \$100,000 investment of in-kind services. As of March 11, 2014, Aegis has contributed \$101,000 through the PENCIL Foundation. The Board and Dr. Register presented Certificates of Recognition to Aegis Sciences Corporation, Inc.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LEAD Academy – 100% of Graduating Seniors Accepted To Four-year Colleges 	The Board and Dr. Register congratulated LEAD Academy for having 100% of graduating seniors accepted to four-year colleges.	
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Angel Lopez – 7th grade, STEM Prep 	Mr. Lopez addressed the Board concerning the charter application for STEM Prep High School. He stated that he enjoyed attending STEM Prep. He asked the Board to approve the charter application for STEM Prep High School.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dawit Girma – 6th grade, STEM Prep 	Mr. Girma addressed the Board concerning the charter application for STEM Prep High School. He asked the Board to approve the charter application for STEM Prep High School.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gulsinn Barwari – 5th grade, STEM Prep 	Ms. Barwari addressed the Board concerning the charter application for STEM Prep High School. She stated that STEM Prep supports different races and cultures at the STEM Prep Middle School and would offer the same support at the high school.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Melinda Zuniga- STEM Prep Parent 	Ms. Zuniga addressed the Board concerning the charter application for STEM Prep High School. She stated that she enjoyed her children’s experience at STEM Prep Middle School and would like to have the opportunity to send her children to STEM Prep High School. She asked the Board to approve the STEM Prep High School application.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Mara Rivera- STEM Prep Parent 	Ms. Rivera addressed the Board concerning the charter application for STEM Prep High School. She asked the Board to support the application for STEM Prep High School.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joyce Cole – Disciplinary Procedures at Nashville Prep 	Ms. Cole addressed the Board concerning the disciplinary procedures at Nashville Prep. She stated that Nashville Prep is a great school with great results from their disciplinary procedures.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michelle Lane – Recognition of School Program 	Ms. Lane addressed the Board concerning the Nashville Prep program. She talked about her positive experiences with Nashville Prep.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sheri Patterson - Disciplinary Procedures at Nashville Prep 	Ms. Patterson addressed the Board concerning disciplinary procedures at Nashville Prep. She stated that she supports choice for all MNPS students and parents.	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amanda Koops – Recognition of School Program 	Ms. Koops addressed the Board recognizing Nashville Prep. She stated that her daughter has made gains while attending Nashville Prep.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • James Cox – Public Comment about Resolution 	Ms. Cox addressed the Board concerning Nashville Prep. She stated that her son has shown much academic improvement since being enrolled at the school.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tyese Hunter – Public Comment about Resolution 	Ms. Hunter addressed the Board concerning Nashville Prep. She stated that her daughter has enjoyed Nashville Prep and supports their disciplinary procedures.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erick Vale – Student Perspective of School 	Mr. Vale addressed the Board concerning his perspective of Nashville Prep. He talked about how much he enjoyed the school atmosphere and disciplinary procedures.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lily Vasquez – Recognition of School Program 	Ms. Vasquez addressed the Board concerning her experience at Nashville Prep. She asked the Board to continue to support Nashville Prep.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jacquetta Bright – Recognition of School Program 	Ms. Bright addressed the Board concerning her son’s experiences at Nashville Prep. She asked the Board to continue to support the great things that are going on at the school.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kim Milliken – Recognition of School Program 	Ms. Milliken addressed the Board concerning her daughter’s experience at Intrepid College Prep. She stated she enjoyed her daughter’s experience at Intrepid.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gene Smalley – Parent Perspective of School 	Mr. Smalley addressed the Board concerning his son’s experience at Nashville Prep. He stated that he enjoyed the rigor and disciplinary procedures at Nashville Prep. He asked the Board to continue to support the school.	
GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
1. Consent Agenda	<p>Ms. Shepherd read the following consent agenda: V-A-1-a- Approval of Minutes – 01/30/2014 Special Called Meeting and 02/11/14 Regular Meeting; V-A-1-b- Recommended Award of Contract for McGavock High School Fire Safety Upgrades – Kerry G. Campbell, Inc.; V-A-1-c- Recommended Award of Contract for Hume-Fogg High School Gymnasium Addition – D. F. Chase, Inc.; V-A-1-d- Recommended Award of Contract - Architect for New South Nashville Pre-K Center – Allard-Ward Architects, LLC; V-A-1-e-Recommended Award of Contract – Master Plan Study for Hillwood High School – Perkins + Will and Hastings Architecture Associates, LLC; V-A-1-f- Recommended Award of Contract – Master Plan Study for Hillsboro High School – Perkins + Will and Artifice, LLC; V-A-1-g- Recommended Award of Contract for Shwab Elementary School Gymnasium HVAC Upgrades – Advanced Mechanical Contractors, Inc.; V-A-1-h -Amendment A- Extension of Contract for Material Testing - S & M E, Inc.; V-A-1-i-Amendment A- Extension of</p>	

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1. Consent Agenda - continued	<p>Contract for Material Testing - Southern Consulting, LLC; V-A-1-j-Amendment A- Extension of Contract for Material Testing - Beaver Engineering, Inc.; V-A-1-k-Amendment A- Extension of Contract for Material Testing - PSI, Inc.; V-A-1-l-Change Order #3 for District-wide Maintenance, Repairs, and General Construction (Glencliff High School Natatorium Renovation) - Kerry G. Campbell, Inc.; V-A-1-m-Change Order #4 for District-wide Maintenance, Repairs and General Construction (Julia Green Elementary School Soccer Field) - SouthLand Constructors, LLC; V-A-1-n-Change Order #1 for Hume-Fogg High School Window Replacement – SouthLand Constructors, LLC; V-A-1-o-Supplement #1 for Madison Middle School Additions - Thomas Miller and Partners; V-A-1-p-Awarding of Bids and Contracts (1.) Aegis Sciences Corporation, Inc., (2.) Bellsouth Telecommunications, LLC dba AT&T Tennessee, (3.) Brentwood Services Administration, Inc., (4.) Details Nashville, LLC, (5.) Education Networks of America, LLC, (6.) Ferguson Enterprises, (7.) Fred J. Miller, Inc., (8.) Insight Public Sector, (9.) Kevin Montgomery, (10.) R & A Solutions, Inc. (RANDA), (11.) The Center of Applied Linguistics; (12.) Thomas Tours, Inc., (13.) Vanderbilt University (Center for Science Outreach), V-A-1-q- Recommended Approval of Requests for Compulsory Attendance Waiver.</p> <p>Ms. Shepherd made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Dr. Brannon seconded.</p>	VOTE: 9-0-unanimous
2. Recommendation to Rename the Old Hickman building at 3125 Ironwood Dr. to the Ironwood Building (<i>Naming of Schools Committee</i>)	<p>Dr. Brannon stated that the Naming of Schools Committee met on February 18th, and discussed the renaming of the Old Hickman building. Deliveries for Hickman Elementary are occasionally delivered by mistake to the former elementary school site (Old Hickman) which is now leased by Spectrum. In an effort to preclude future errors in delivery, the Committee unanimously voted to rename the building the Ironwood Building.</p> <p>Ms. Shepherd made a motion to Rename the Old Hickman building at 3125 Ironwood Dr. the Ironwood Building. Ms. Speering seconded.</p>	VOTE: 9-0-unanimous
3. Approve Planning to Develop a Third Model Pre-K Site at Casa Azafran in Partnership with Conexion Americas	<p>Ms. Wiltshire and Ms. Steele addressed the Board concerning the plan to develop a third Pre-K model site at Casa Azafran.</p>	


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3. Approve Planning to Develop a Third Model Pre-K Site at Casa Azafran in Partnership with Conexion Americas - continued	<p>Ms. Shepherd made the motion to Approve Planning to Develop a Third Model Pre-K Site at Casa Azafran in Partnership with Conexion Americas. Ms. Speering seconded.</p> <p>Mr. Hayes asked what are the details of the lease that MNPS will hold with Casa Azafran? Dr. Register said, those plans have not yet been confirmed, but the Board will receive a recommendation in the near future. Mr. Pinkston thanked Dr. Register for his vision to develop a third Pre-K model at the Casa Azafran building. Ms. Shepherd thanked the Administration for the new Pre-K model. Ms. Speering also congratulated Dr. Register for his vision and the expansion of the Pre-K program. Dr. Gentry asked, what is the gap district-wide in meeting the needs of all Pre-K students? Dr. Register said, there is still a large gap, and we hope to partner with Head Start and high-quality private providers to help close the gap. Ms. Frogge said she would like to see this type of program grow to provide more wraparound services all over the District. Dr. Gentry said, it is important to discuss the topic of wraparound services in neighborhood schools. Will we put parameters in place to measure the impact of this Pre-K program at a location that offers wraparound services so we can use the information in other areas? Mr. Majors said, the wraparound services model has been in development/implemented over the last three years. Sites at Bordeaux and Casa Azafran have resources on site, and we are discussing adding additional services at Ross. We recently lost 10 full-service community-based resource centers, but we are in discussion to bring back those centers. Community Achieves was developed to address those issues. Ms. Frogge said wraparound services are a key part of our children's success.</p>	VOTE: 9-0-unanimous
REPORTS		
A. Director's Report	Ms. Thompson gave the Board an update on the Strategic Compensation Plan.	
1. Strategic Compensation Plan Update		
2. Revised 2013-2014 District Calendar	Dr. Register presented the Board with a revised 2013-2014 District Calendar.	
3. Student Technology	Mr. Williams presented the new technology that will be used in schools to the Board.	
B. Committee Reports	Ms. Speering stated that the Teaching and Learning Committee met on February 18 th to discuss aligning the Committee's Guiding Principles with the Director's Evaluation. Since there will be changes to the Director's Evaluation, the Committee will begin revising Policies E-2 and EE-12.	
1. Teaching and Learning		

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2. Naming of Schools	Dr. Brannon stated the Naming of Schools Committee met on February 18 th , and there was a brief discussion on naming a new program in honor of former educators. This discussion was tabled when Mr. Edgens provided detailed procedures for naming buildings, parts of buildings, and programs, and also provided a list of potential school names. Two names of former educators, Ivanetta Davis and H.B. McDonough, were submitted to be added to the list.	
3. Budget and Finance	Mr. Pinkston said the Budget and Finance Committee met in a Joint Work Session with Metro Council on March 10 th . Upcoming Budget dates: March 18 th at 5:00 p.m., April 1 st Public Hearing with Budget and Finance Committee meeting immediately following the hearing, April 8 th Board Vote on the proposed Budget, Mayor's Budget Hearing on April 16 th at 11:00 a.m.	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
• Board Work Session	Ms. Mayes announced that the March 25 th Board Work Session would be canceled.	
• Guns in Parks Resolution	Ms. Frogge announced that she would be bringing a resolution against the Guns in Parks Bill at the April 8 th Board meeting.	
• Boy Scouts of America Luncheon	Mr. Hayes announced that he attended the Boy Scouts of America Luncheon on March 4 th with Ms. Mayes and Mr. Pinkston.	
• Conexion Americas	Mr. Pinkston thanked Conexion Americas for their partnership with MNPS in developing a third Pre-K site.	
• Labor Management Conference	Ms. Shepherd announced that she attended the Labor Management Conference on February 27 th -28 th . The topic of the Conference was Common Core and Assessments.	
• Tulip Grove Elementary	Ms. Shepherd announced that she read to a first grade class at Tulip Grove Elementary School for Read Across America Day.	
• Tennessee Achieves	Ms. Shepherd announced that Tennessee Achieves would be holding a meeting on March 12 th at McGavock High School at 5:30 p.m.	
• Hunters Lane Chorus	Ms. Speering announced that the Hunters Lane Chorus performed last week at the Ryman Auditorium with another well-known and highly talented group, Nashville in Harmony. She thanked Chuck Brown for his great work.	
• East End Prep	Ms. Speering announced that she read to a second grade class at East End Prep for Read Across America Day.	
• Exxon Mobil Bernard Harris Scholarship	Dr. Brannon announced that graduating seniors have the opportunity to apply for the Exxon Mobil Bernard Harris Math and Science Scholarship of \$5,000.00. The deadline is April 7 th . Apply online at www.cgcs.org .	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Middle Tennessee Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame, Inc. 	<p>Dr. Brannon congratulated all of the Metro Football Athletes who were honored at the Awards Banquet held by the Middle Tennessee Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame, Inc. Honorees were: Antioch High School– David Young; Cane Ridge High School-Mich Joseph Kennedy; East Nashville Magnet High School-Brandon Van Leer; Hillsboro High School-Porter Streater, III; Hillwood High School- DeMarcus Watts; Hunters Lane High School- Tyler Bennett; Maplewood High School- Earl Porter; McGavock High School-Ronald Elliott; Overton High School-Kevin Scott; Pearl-Cohn High School- Hayden Gregory; Stratford High School-Terrance Valentine, Jr.; Whites Creek High School-Leon Monget.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music In Our Schools 	<p>Ms. Mayes announced that the Music In Our Schools Bus Tour visited Antioch High School, and featured Danielle Bradbery, the winner of The Voice. Antioch High School also received a \$1,000 donation.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11th Annual South East Easter Egg Event 	<p>Ms. Mayes announced that the 11th Annual South East Easter Egg Event will be held on April 12th at the Donelson Pike Metro Soccer Field from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.</p>	
WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
A. Board Calendar Items		
B. Sales Tax Collections as of February 20, 2014		
C. Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget Financial Report		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjournment 	<p>Ms. Frogge adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.</p>	
Signatures	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <hr style="width: 150px; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p>Chris M. Henson Board Secretary</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <hr style="width: 150px; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p>Cheryl D. Mayes Date Board Chair</p> </div> </div>	