

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
Minutes
April 9, 2013

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll Call 	<p>Present: Cheryl D. Mayes, Chair Dr. Jo Ann Brannon Amy Frogge (left at 5:44 p.m.) Elissa Kim Anna Shepherd, Vice-Chair Jill Speering Will Pinkston Akaninyene Eyoh and Marquetta Bowling, Student Board Members Dr. Jesse Register, Director of Schools</p> <p>Absent: Michael W. Hayes and Dr. Sharon Gentry</p> <p>Ms. Mayes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pledge of Allegiance 	Led by the Stratford High School Robotics Team.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Board Member Report 	<p>Ms. Bowling made the following comments: TMAC students compiled recommendations to address the District School Climate Survey results. The following are the suggestions reported from six high schools to assist with school climate and safety: (1.) Safe Date curriculum, (2.) Seminars for how to deal with stress and life changes, (3.) Daily positive comments as part of announcements, (4.) Signs posted in school to promote “No Bullying” and have a “No Bullying” Fair, (5.) Physical Safety: School Safety Summit for incoming 9th graders; and other suggestions were given. Each school will present their recommendations to the Executive Principal for approval to conduct the activities/events at their school. The approved activities are to be completed by the end of this school year. Mr. Eyoh and I are preparing our applications to be submitted for consideration to the 2013-14 Mayor’s Youth Council. Mr. Eyoh gave a report from the 2013 SCOPE Conference (Student Congress on Policies in Education), which was held on March 11th. Students in attendance provided their views on the following issues: (1.) Corporal punishment shall be prohibited in public schools: 35% agree and 65% disagree. (2.) Prior to graduation, students shall be required to complete 48 hours of community service during their junior/senior years: 67% agree and 33% disagree. (3.) The school calendar shall be increased from 180 to 200 days of instruction: 46% agree and 54% disagree: (4.) Failing students shall be required to attend Saturday school for remedial instruction: 41% agree and 59% disagree. Newly elected officers for 2013-14 are: President: Julio Salazar, Hamblen County; 1st Vice-President: Kemario Davis, Memphis City Schools;</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Board Member Report - continued 	<p>2nd Vice-President: Amber Choice, Hamilton County. I have also submitted an application to serve on the Mayors Youth MTA Review Committee with the Oasis Center.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Memoriam – Carol Lampley, Diana Porter, Sarah Smith, and Blaire Rios 	<p>Ms. Susan Thompson read the following memorials for MNPS employees:</p> <p>Carol Lampley was a devoted teacher at McMurray Middle School. She taught a variety of subjects, including Spanish for high school credit, English Learners, and 8th grade United States History. Her friendly demeanor and warm smile endeared her to many, and she made close connections during her time at the school. She was always lending a helping hand, and would often bring her young son to show support for athletics and other after-school events. Her dedication, creativity, and knowledge were evident to her students, their families, and the faculty and staff.</p> <p>Diana Lee Porter was employed for over 20 years with Metro Nashville Public Schools at Alex Green Elementary and Stratford STEM Magnet High School. Ms. Porter has been the front office Secretary and Attendance Clerk at Stratford for the past 4 years. She always had a welcoming smile for those that entered the main office at Stratford STEM Magnet High School. She came to work on a daily basis, even though there were many days that she did not feel like being at work.</p> <p>Ms. Sarah Smith, Senior Secretary at Maplewood High School, will be remembered as a kind and loving person who truly exemplified the level of service and commitment that our district strives to instill. Ms. Smith truly understood the value of customer service and servant-hood. She served as the coordinator for our campus-wide Girl Scout group, where she mentored several at-risk young ladies. Ms. Smith was extremely loyal to Maplewood High School and will be sorely missed by students, parents, and the entire staff.</p> <p>Blaire Rose Rios, a vital part of the Percy Priest Elementary School community, loved to volunteer in classrooms, helped with the Spring Auction, envisioned Math Night as a fun community event, and served all of our teachers and students in our workroom since 2010. A devoted mother, Blaire was an active volunteer and employee at her children’s school, Percy Priest Elementary. She touched countless lives through her generosity, loyal</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Memoriam – Carol Lampley, Diana Porter, Sarah Smith, and Blaire Rios - continued 	<p>friendship, and her passion to making a difference. An avid reader, Blaire loved learning, was involved in politics, and enjoyed cooking and traveling with her husband. Blaire will be remembered for her creativity, love of life, sense of style, fondness of animals, and complete devotion to her family and many friends around the world.</p>	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Safety Summit 	<p>Ms. Frogge thanked Ms. Shepherd and Ms. Mayes for their hard work on the Youth Safety Summit. She would like to see the Rachel’s Challenge program included in all schools.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> District 6 and District 7 Community Meeting 	<p>Mr. Pinkston announced the District 6 and District 7 Community Meeting on April 11, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at Percy Priest Lake Community Baptist Church to discuss the proposed elementary and middle schools on Smith Springs Road. On April 20th at 2:00 p.m. at Conexión Americas, a roundtable discussion will be held around the implementation of large scale school improvement strategies.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corporate Service Project Award 	<p>Ms. Shepherd congratulated Deloitte and Schneider Electric for receiving the Corporate Service Project Award from Hands on Nashville for their support of the annual FAFSA Drive at McGavock High School.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> U.S. Department of Education Visit 	<p>Ms. Shepherd stated that on April 4th, representatives from the U.S. Department of Education office visited McGavock High School. The visitors were extremely impressed and excited about the Academy programs at McGavock High School.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Value-Added Achievement Award 	<p>Ms. Speering announced that the Education Consumers Foundation each year awards eighteen schools a Value-Added Achievement Award. This year’s winners were: Glengarry, Joelton, and Stanford Elementary Schools and KIPP Academy. The celebration at each individual school will be held April 22nd, 23rd, and 25th.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Country Music Marathon 	<p>Ms. Speering announced that the County Music Marathon will be held April 27th.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MNPS Principal Choice Award Recipient 	<p>Ms. Speering announced that MNPS Principals presented Fred Carr with the Principal Choice Award for being the most helpful Central Office employee.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Day Celebration – Granbery Elementary 	<p>Dr. Brannon announced that an Earth Day celebration will be held in memory of Sherry Force, “The Recycle Lady”, on April 22nd at Granbery Elementary.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NSBA Annual Conference 	<p>Ms. Mayes announced that she and Ms. Shepherd would be attending the NSBA Annual Conference in San Diego, CA on April 12th-15th.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor’s Budget Hearing 	<p>Ms. Mayes announced that the Mayor’s Budget Hearing will be held April 12th at 9:00 a.m. in the Mayor’s Media Room.</p>	


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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Work Session 	Ms. Mayes announced that a Board Work Session will be held April 23 rd at 5:00 p.m.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governance Committee 	Ms. Frogge announced that a Governance Committee meeting will be held April 23 rd at 4:00 p.m.	
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team Sparta Bot (Stratford Engineering Team) – Rookie Award in the Robotics Smoky Mountain Regional 	The Stratford Engineering Team showcased, “Team Sparta Bot”, a robot built by Stratford students. Team Sparta Bot won the Rookie Award in the first Robotics Smoky Mountain Regional competition.	
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adam Taylor – Use of Social Media to Improve Student Learning 	Mr. Taylor addressed the Board concerning the use of social media to improve student learning. He asked the Board to allow students to access Twitter through MNPS.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paige Bullion – Use of Social Media to Improve Student Learning 	Ms. Bullion addressed the Board concerning the use of social media to improve student learning. She asked the Board to allow students to access Twitter for educational discussions and use.	
GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
ACTIONS 1. Consent Agenda	Ms. Shepherd read the following consent agenda items: V-1-A-a- Approval of Minutes – 3/12/13 Regular Meeting; V-1-A-b- Supplement #1 for Antioch Middle School Renovations – Hinson Miller Kickirillo, PLLC – L- 2885; V-1-A-c- Supplement #1 for Wright Middle School Library Renovations – Hastings Architecture Associates – L-2884; V-1-A-d- Supplement #1 for Gateway Elementary School Additions and Renovations – McFarlin Huitt Panvini, LLC – L-2413; V-1-A-e- Change Order #1 to the contract for Asbestos Abatement Services at Rose Park Middle School – Levy Industrial Contractors, Inc. – M-477; V-1-A-f- Change Order #2 to the contract for Asbestos Abatement Services at Joelton Middle School – Levy Industrial Contractors, Inc. – M-477; V-1-A-g- Change Order #3 to the contract for Asbestos Abatement Services at Norman Binkley Elementary School – Levy Industrial Contractors, Inc. M-477; V-1-A-h- Change Order #4 to the contract for Asbestos Abatement Services at Antioch Middle School – Levy Industrial Contractors, Inc. – M-477; V-1-A-i- Recommended Approval of Lease for Nashville Preparatory Charter School’s Use of the McCann School Building; V-1-A-j- Recommended Approval of Lease for Liberty Collegiate Academy Charter School’s Use of the Old Jere Baxter Building; V-A-1-k- Awarding of Bids and Contracts (1.) Catapult	

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2. Recommended Approval of 2013-2014 Operating Budget, Nutrition Services Fund Budget, and Federal Programs and Grants Budget Summary	<p>Mr. Pinkston recommended approval of the 2013-2014 Operating Budget, Nutrition Services Fund Budget, and Federal Programs and Grants Budget Summary. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>Mr. Henson gave a brief report on the 2013-2014 Operating Budget, Nutrition Services Fund Budget, and Federal Programs and Grants Budget Summary.</p>	VOTE: 7-0 - Unanimous
REPORTS		
3. Director's Report 1. Community Achieves	<p>Mr. Majors and Ms. McArthur presented a Power Point to the Board on Community Achieves.</p> <p>Ms. Mayes asked if the Community Achieves initiative works with other data sources such as the Children/Youth Master Plan? Mr. Majors said we use that information to help develop goals and objectives. Dr. Brannon asked if Community Achieves addressed issues that families face, such as poverty? Mr. Majors said, yes, the goal is to create hubs of services that are easily accessible for families that would address those types of issues by MNPS and community agencies. Ms. Speering thanked Mr. Majors and staff for their hard work. Ms. Kim asked how were the outcomes developed? Mr. Majors said the larger issues facing our communities, and how to bring those resources to the community, were considered. Concerning quantitative measures, vision and hearing screenings are being considered. Mr. Pinkston said concerning the health-related services, can this be funded with TennCare? Mr. Majors said a high percentage can be used to fund the services. Mr. Pinkston said it is</p>	

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1. Community Achieves - continued	important to raise awareness of the services available to the community.	
2. Facilities Use – Ewing Park MS/Haynes MS/Joelton MS	Dr. Register gave a report to the Board on the changes to the following middle schools: Ewing Park, Haynes, and Joelton.	
3. Legislative Update	Mr. Clay gave the Board a Legislative Update.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Reports 1. Advocacy 	Ms. Speering stated that an Advocacy Committee meeting was held April 9 th . There was discussion around testing of students in preparation for TCAP. A future Board Work Session will be held around testing.	
2. Budget and Finance	Mr. Pinkston said the budget has been approved for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. The Board will meet with the Mayor on April 12 th at 9:00 a.m. for the Mayor’s Budget Hearing.	
3. Youth Safety Summit	Ms. Shepherd stated that the Youth Safety Summit was a success. She thanked the community, MNPS staff, Nissan America, Rachel’s Challenge, and everyone that supported the event.	
4. Council of the Great City Schools	Dr. Brannon stated that she attended the Council of the Great City Schools Conference on March 9 th -12 th in Washington, D.C. Keynote speakers at the conference were: U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan, Asst, Secretary of Education Deborah Delisle, and U.S. House Representative Chaka Fattah. Dr. Brannon attended the Achievement and Professional Development and English Language Learners and Bilingual Education Task Force. She stated that she hopes CGCS will continue to work on behalf of the large urban districts.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Chairman’s Report 	Ms. Mayes stated that she and Ms. Shepherd would be attending the NSBA Annual Conference in San Diego, CA from April 11 th -15 th . Ms. Mayes and Mr. Steele will also make a presentation at the conference.	
WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Calendar Items 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales Tax Collections as of March 20, 2013 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget Financial Report 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjournment 	Mr. Pinkston adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signatures 	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Chris M. Henson Board Secretary </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> _____ Cheryl D. Mayes Board Chair </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> _____ Date </div> </div>	