

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
Minutes
July 13, 2010

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll Call 	<p>Members Present: David A. Fox, Chair; Gracie Porter, Vice-Chair; Dr. Jo Ann Brannon; Dr. Sharon Gentry; Steve Glover; Karen Y. Johnson; Ed Kindall; Mark North; Kay Simmons</p> <p>Mr. Fox called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pledge of Allegiance 	Led by Charles Tucker, Tech Specialist.	
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nashville Alliance for Public Education 	On behalf of Pam Garrett, Mr. Edgens presented awards of recognition for service to public education to: Gary Everton and Kevin Hudson, EOA Architects; Till Borland and Tom Pirtle, The Parent Company; and Brent Ostermiller, with MNPS for their work on the Martin Professional Development Center.	
GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACTIONS Consent Agenda 	<p>Ms. Porter read the following consent agenda items: IV-A-1-a-Approval of Minutes – 6/22/10 Regular Board Meeting and 7/1/10 Special Meeting; IV-A-1-b –Change Order #8 for Cane Ridge High School – R. G. Anderson Co. Inc. – M-378; IV-A-1-c- Change Order #70 for Prototypical Playgrounds at Various Schools (Tusculum Elementary School) – Custom Recreation, Inc. – M-337; IV-A-1-d- Change Order #71 for Prototypical Playgrounds at Various Schools (J.E. Moss Elementary School) – Custom Recreation, Inc. – M-337; IV-A-1-e- Change Order #72 for Prototypical Playgrounds at Various Schools (Rosebank Elementary School) – Custom Recreation, Inc. – M-337; IV-A-1-f- Change Order #2 for Glenview Elementary School Additions – TG Constructors, Inc. – M-427; IV-A-1-g- Awarding of Bids and Contracts (1.) Tennessee Department of Education, (2.) Amendment to GCA Contract for Custodial & Groundskeeping Services; IV-A-1-h– Recommended Approval of Request for Compulsory Attendance Wavier; IV-A-1-i- Recommended Approval of 2010-2011 Designation of Management Personnel; IV-A-1-j- Recommended Approval of Special Courses for 2010-2011; IV-A-1-k- Legal Settlement – Claim #10-5506 (\$1,575,000); IV-A-1-l- Recommended Approval of Final FY2010-2011 Operating Budget; IV-A-1-m- Recommended Approval of Amended Energy Efficient Schools Initiative Grant Acceptance.</p> <p>Ms. Johnson made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Glover seconded.</p>	VOTE: 9-0 – Unanimous

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Policy Revision – First Reading <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GP-8E Annual Agenda Planning – 2010-2011 	<p>Mr. North made the motion to adopt the First Reading of GP-8E Annual Agenda Planning 2010-2011 to be placed on the consent agenda for the next scheduled Board meeting. Mr. Glover seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 9-0 – Unanimous</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommended Approval of 2010-2011 Educational Agreement 	<p>Dr. June Keel presented a Power Point to the Board on the 2010-2011 Educational Agreement.</p> <p>Ms. Simmons asked what happens if there are not enough positions available to place the Achievement School District teachers. Dr. Keel said the district is bound by the tenure law. If the teachers who need placement are tenured teachers, the placement options would follow the law. Mr. Glover asked Dr. Keel to explain the legal stipulations. Dr. Keel said there is concern that teachers have hired independent counsel as their representation. Outside counsel is not aware of all laws related to teachers. MNEA believed that it would be in the best interest of teachers to have MNEA or TEA to provide representation. Mr. Kindall asked if it is legal to determine whether or not teachers can hire outside representation. Mary Johnston, Metro Legal, said the terms of the Grievance Procedure included in the Educational Agreement are not dictated by state law. It clearly states that the person can be advised by their own counsel, but the official representative must be from MNEA. Mr. North asked if this is applicable during a proceeding with an Administration Law Judge. Ms. Johnston said, no, the terms only apply to grievance hearings.</p> <p>Mr. Glover made the motion to adopt the 2010-2011 Educational Agreement. Mr. Kindall seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 9-0 – Unanimous</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Disciplinary Appeal 	<p>Mr. Kindall made a motion to deny the hearing and overturn the recommendation of the Administration. Dr. Gentry seconded.</p> <p>Mr. Kindall made the following amendment to the motion: To deny the hearing and overturn the recommendation of the Administration, and recommend that the principal and Director of Schools consider changing any unexcused absences to excused thereby allowing the student to make up course work missed as a result of the suspension. Dr. Brannon seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: (7-1-1)-Yes- Simmons, Kindall, Johnson, Porter, Fox, Brannon, Gentry. No- Glover. Abstain - North</p>


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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Approval of Declaration of Highland Heights Property as Surplus for the Purposes of Transferring to Metropolitan Government 	<p>Dr. Register stated that he and Ms. Porter had been involved in conversations with Mayor Dean concerning the transfer of the Highland Heights Property. Currently, KIPP Academy occupies a portion of the building. The first step in the process would be for the Board to declare the building as surplus property. Mr. North asked what will be Metro Government's use of the building. Dr. Danielle Mezera, with the Mayor's Office, said the intent is to continue to support KIPP's use of the building by renovating the building. The facility could also be used to support the community. Dr. Brannon asked if the charter school would remain in the building during the renovation. Dr. Mezera said the hope is that KIPP will not have to be relocated during the renovation. Ms. Porter noted that the land for new schools in East Nashville is very limited, and she wishes that the property in question be used only for educational purposes.</p> <p>Ms. Simmons called for the question.</p> <p>Ms. Porter made the motion that the Highland Heights property be declared not needed for the use of MNPS at this time. Further, the property is transferred to the Metro Government for its use with the understanding that once the facility is no longer being used by the Metro Government, its use will revert to the MNPS Board of Education. Mr. Glover seconded.</p> <p>Mr. Kindall amended the motion to say the Board of Education has the authority to use the Highland Heights building and property, which includes leasing a part of the property to KIPP Academy. The authority to make decisions and property is being transferred to the Metropolitan Government and reverting back to the Board of Education if the use ceases to be used in part for educational purposes. Mr. North seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 8-0 – Unanimous (Dr. Gentry out of the room)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Approval of 2010-2011 Student Code of Conduct Handbook 	<p>Mr. Thompson presented the 2010-2011 Student Code of Conduct Handbook to the Board.</p> <p>Mr. Glover thanked Mr. Thompson and staff for their hard work.</p> <p>Ms. Porter moved to approve the 2010-2011 Student Code of Conduct Handbook. Mr. Glover seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 9-0 – Unanimous</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Student Assignment Proposal for Cane Ridge/Antioch Clusters 	<p>Mr. Weber presented the Student Assignment Proposal for the Cane Ridge/Antioch Clusters to the Board.</p> <p>Ms. Porter thanked Mr. Weber and the Student Assignment Office for their hard work, and asked if there has been any partnership with the Metro Planning Commission to purchase land or find land available to build future schools. Mr. Weber said, yes, we do work closely with the Planning Commission and we have researched land availability. Mr. Glover asked Mr. Weber to send the changes to the Cane Ridge/Antioch plan to the Board before the Board is asked to vote on the plan. He also asked for an explanation of how the "Grandfather Clause" will work. Mr. Weber said that he would provide that information. Ms. Johnson said she is concerned about the Lakeview community children because they will be furthest away from home. Ms. Johnson requested that the parents in the Lakeview area be notified of the changes. Ms. Simmons said communication with the parents in the area on the front end should help with implementation. Mr. Glover asked about the timeline for the plan. Mr. Weber said it depends on the Mayor's Capital Budget. The next item on the plan is a new Cane Ridge Elementary School, and we are confident that the attendance zones for the new schools will relieve overcrowding in several schools. Dr. Register thanked the Student Assignment Task Force and the Student Assignment Office for their hard work.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Summer Leadership Institute 	<p>Dr. Register said the Summer Leadership Institute was held June 21st-23rd at the Martin Professional Development Center. We received great feedback from principals and staff. He thanked members of the Administration and the Board for their help in making the event a success.</p>	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor's Quarterly Meeting 	<p>Mr. Fox announced the Mayor's Quarterly Meeting with the Board to be held July 14th at 10:00 a.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice of Motion 	<p>Mr. Glover gave a notice that he will be bring a motion at the next meeting to make Revisions to EE-17 – with regards to payroll services to Charter Schools.</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor's First Day Festival – Leaders Orientation 	Ms. Johnson announced the Leaders Orientation meeting for the Mayor's First Day Festival will be held July 15 th from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at Cummins Station in Suite 422.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot Chicken Festival 	Ms. Porter thanked the Nashville community for supporting the Hot Chicken Festival on July 4 th .	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TSBA and Race to the Top Panel Discussion 	Ms. Porter announced that she will be part of a two-day panel discussion involving TSBA and Race to the Top on July 14 th at TSBA.	
WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Calendar Items 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjournment 	Ms. Simmons adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signatures 	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <hr style="width: 100%;"/> Chris M. Henson Board Secretary </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <hr style="width: 100%;"/> David A. Fox Date Board Chair </div> </div>	