

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Called Meeting
Minutes
September 23, 2014

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll Call 	<p>Present: Dr. Jo Ann Brannon Amy Frogge Dr. Sharon Gentry, Chair Tyese Hunter Elissa Kim, Vice-Chair Mary Pierce Will Pinkston Anna Shepherd Jill Speering Dr. Jesse Register, Director of Schools</p> <p>Dr. Gentry called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pledge of Allegiance 	Led by Dillon Kinston, a student from Overton High School.	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litton Middle School Tour 	Ms. Speering announced that she toured Litton Middle School. During the tour, she observed students involved in Project-Based Learning.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maplewood High School 	Ms. Speering congratulated Principal Woodard, and the students and staff at Maplewood High School, for having the highest percentage gains of all of the district high schools.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stratford High School 	Ms. Speering congratulated Principal Steele and staff at Stratford High School for achieving a 4 in literacy and a 3 in numeracy on their TVASS scores. The Stratford graduation rate rose 13.9 %.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TEA/MNEA Meeting 	Ms. Speering announced that she attended the TEA/MNEA meeting on September 8 th . Members of the East Nashville community attended the meeting and voiced their community concerns.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching and Learning Committee 	Ms. Speering announced that a Teaching and Learning Committee meeting will be held October 28 th in the Board Conference Room prior to the Board meeting.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McGavock High School 	Ms. Shepherd announced that she attended McGavock High School's Promise to Graduation Ceremony on September 2 nd .	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donelson Middle Prep 	Ms. Shepherd announced that Donelson Middle Prep held their kick-off for the Watch Dogs Program, and the event was highly attended.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Retreat 	Ms. Shepherd also thanked Liz Allen Faye for conducting the Board Retreat on September 6 th .	


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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bellevue Middle School 	Ms. Frogge welcomed the new principal at Bellevue Middle School, James Mann, to the district. A Meet and Greet will be held at Bellevue on October 20 th at 6:00 p.m.	
AND THE GOOD NEWS IS...		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nola Jones, MNPS Coordinator of Visual and Performing Arts 	Dr. Jones addressed the Board concerning the Music Makes Us Program.	
GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consent Agenda 	<p>Ms. Kim read the following consent agenda: V-A-1-a- Recommended Approval of Contract for New Goodlettsville Middle School – Hardaway Construction Corporation; V-A-1-b- Recommended Approval of Supplement #1 for Shayne Elementary School Additions – Goodwin, Mills, and Cawood, Inc.; V-A-1-c- Awarding of Purchases and Contracts (1.) 615 Screen Printing, (2.) ACT, Inc., (3.) All Star Screen Designs, (4.) Advantage Screen Print, (5.) Atomic Learning, (6.) Bluegrass Uniform and Equipment, (7.) Charron Sports Services, Inc., (8.) Compass Learning, (9.) Convectus Solutions, Inc., (10.) Dell Marketing, (11.) Express Press, (12.) Francis Communication, (13.) Nite Owl Graphic & Design, Inc. (14.) OI, Inc., (15.) Parris Printing Company, (16.) Personal Computer Systems, (17.) Socrateez, (18.) SP Designs and MFG, Inc., (19.) Sunrise Promotions LLC, (20.) The Barr Group, (21.) The Tennessean.</p> <p>Ms. Shepherd made a motion to approve the consent agenda as read. Ms. Frogge seconded.</p>	VOTE: 9-0 – Unanimous
REPORTS		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Director’s Report <ol style="list-style-type: none"> District Accountability Data 	Dr. Changas presented the District Accountability Data to the Board.	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Priority Schools Update: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Community Involvement 	<p>Dr. Register presented a Priority Schools Update to the Board.</p> <p>Ms. Kim asked Dr. Register if he had considered organizing an advisory committee for the East Nashville Plan? Dr. Register said yes. Mr. Pinkston asked if there was a plan to update parents or solicit feedback from parents? Dr. Register said yes, parents and the community will be engaged during the development of the East Nashville Plan. Mr. Bass stated that the Communications Department had been working with individual schools to</p>	

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2. Priority Schools Update: Community Involvement - (continued)	determine the best way to communicate with parents. Mr. Bass stated that he would forward Mr. Pinkston a copy of the letter that will be going out to parents. Ms. Shepherd asked if transportation will be provided to the East Nashville community meetings? Mr. Bass stated he will talk to principals about providing transportation to the meetings.	
3. English Learners	Mr. Stacey and Dr. Critchlow presented a Power Point to the Board on English Learners (EL). Ms. Speering asked, how many years does it take for a student to exit the EL program? Mr. Stacey said, after three years most students can pass the exit test although they may not be fluent. Ms. Speering asked, how soon after an EL student enters the program are they required to take the test? Mr. Stacey said EL students are immediately required to take all achievement tests except the Arts test (students are exempt from the Arts test the first year). Mr. Pinkston said he would like to have a discussion in the future around what is needed to help MNPS clusters with higher EL populations? Such as more teachers, more interpreters, smaller class sizes; and then consider how that will affect the budget. Mr. Pinkston asked if there are any other successful EL programs to monitor or partner with for success? Dr. Gentry asked that future reports include an "Ask" slide.	
4. Mobility Report	Dr. Register distributed a Mobility Report to the Board.	
5. Leadership Transition	Dr. Register announced that he would not be seeking to renew his contract, but he hopes to continue the work of the district through June 30 th .	
2. Committee Reports 1. Governance	Ms. Frogge stated that the Governance Committee met prior to the Board meeting. The following items were discussed: GP-7 Committee Appointments and Assignments. The next meeting will be held October 27 th at 11:30 a.m. in the Board Conference Room.	
2. Director's Evaluation	Ms. Kim stated that the Director's Evaluation Committee met prior to the Board meeting. The following items were discussed: revisions to BDR – 5 Monitoring Director's Performance and the Director's Evaluation Tool.	
3. Board Chairman's Report	Dr. Gentry read the Board committee assignments, gave a brief of the Board Retreat, and also gave closing thoughts.	

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WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
• Board Calendar Items		
• Adjournment	Ms. Frogge adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.	
• Signatures	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Chris M. Henson Board Secretary </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> _____ Sharon Dixon Gentry Board Chair </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> _____ Date </div> </div>	