

Maryville Board of Education

Minutes for August 14, 2017

The Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., August 14, 2017, at Maryville High School. Board members present were: Nick Black, Candy Morgan, Bethany Pope, Bob Proffitt, and Christi Sayles. Chairman Pope called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence followed by Dr. Mike Winstead, Director of Schools, leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Pope welcomed everyone to the meeting and called for the adoption of the agenda. Dr. Winstead, Director of Schools, adjusted Agenda Item #5 to reflect the addition of two jumper seats making the final cost \$40,345.83. Mrs. Sayles made the motion for the adoption of the agenda. Mrs. Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 ayes – 0 nays

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments from the public on agenda items.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Proffitt made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Black seconded the motion. Motion carried 5–0.

1. Approve Minutes of July 10, 2017, meeting (Attachment)
2. Review School Board Policy Manual Section 2.5 – School Board Records – Second Reading
3. Review School Board Policy Manual Section 9.13 – Diplomas and High School Credit – Second Reading
4. Ratify Executive Committee approval to purchase copy paper from Paper 101 – Funding Sources: Instructional Supplies and School Funds \$18,438.00 (Attachment A1)
5. Ratify Executive Committee approval to purchase literacy workbooks and teacher kits from EPS – Funding Source: Special Education Discretionary Grant \$12,507.66 (Attachment A2)
6. Approve Maryville High School DECA/Marketing overnight trip to Atlanta, GA for competition (Attachment A3)
7. Approve Maryville High School DECA/Marketing overnight trip to Chattanooga for competition (Attachment A4)
8. Approve Maryville High School Cross Country team for Decatur, AL, for meet (Attachment A5)
9. Ratify Executive Committee approve to purchase from PCS 42 Lenovo N24 laptops – Funding Source: Instructional Equipment \$17,136.00 (Attachment A6)
10. Approve lease agreement between Maryville Junior High School and Pitney Bowes (Attachment A7)
11. Approve purchase of 60 iPads from Apple – Funding Source: Instructional Equipment \$17,640.00 (Attachment A8)
12. Approve Maryville High School Golf team overnight trip to participate in Warren County Golf Invitational (Attachment A9)

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consider the naming and dedication of the Ed Harmon Room

Mrs. Sayles made the motion for the naming and dedication of the Ed Harmon Room. Mr. Black seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Harmon donated funds making it possible to replace the flooring and chairs and donated art work for the newly painted walls.

2. Consider FY17 Final Budget Amendment (Attachment B1)

Mrs. Morgan made the motion to approve FY17 Final Budget Amendment. Mrs. Sayles seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Dr. Winstead stated the budget should not have to go into fund balance and Cafeteria and Adventure Club funds ending with a surplus.

3. Consider the 2018-2019 School Calendar (Attachment B2)

Mr. Black made the motion to approve 2018-2019 School Calendar Draft #2. Mrs. Sayles seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Consider revisions to Board Policy 9.18 – First Reading (Attachment B3)

Mrs. Morgan made the motion to approve Board Policy 9.18 on first reading. Mrs. Sayles seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Consider purchase of van from AMS Vans Inc. – Funding Source: IDEA \$40,345.83 (Attachment B4)

Mrs. Morgan made the motion to approve purchase of van from AMS Vans Inc. Mr. Black seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS FROM DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

Barry Olhausen, Assistant Director of TOSS (TN Organization of School Superintendents), presented Dr. Mike Winstead with a certificate recognizing him as East TN Superintendent of the Year making him a finalist for the statewide award. Mr. Olhausen stated “Mike is a respected voice and leader among leaders. Mike has a teacher’s heart and disposition.”

Maryville High School Assistant Principal Joe Pinkerton presented the board the new laude system that will begin with the Class of 2020 recognizing more seniors for their academic achievement. Instead of ranking students and naming a valedictorian and salutatorian, MHS will recognize students who earn at least a 3.95 GPA.

Dr. Winstead introduced Karen Schito, new principal at Foothills Elementary, who said it’s been a whirl wind beginning of school but a wonderful experience.

Dr. Winstead recognized Richard Harbison, Facilities and Maintenance Coordinator, who will be retiring the end of August leaving a tangible legacy of ideas, planning and building.

Dr. Winstead stated it had been a great start to the school year, lots of energy with 5300 plus students. He expressed his appreciation to the teachers and administrators for all they've done and announced the district would be closed Monday, August 21, for the solar eclipse.

RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND STUDENTS

Congratulations to the iReach team and volunteers for a successful device deployment in July. 350 volunteers worked shifts that covered 34 hours of deployment and served 3,500 students and their parents.

Congratulations to Maryville Junior High School art teacher Ericka Ryba who will receive the First Year Art Educator of the Year award in October at the TAEA state conference. Ericka was nominated by her graduate advisor and UT professor for this state honor, based on her promotion of the visual arts and art education in the community along with her teaching position at MJHS.

The Maryville City Schools foundation annual Rebel Run event will be held Saturday, August 26th, followed by Rebel Ready, a back-to-school celebration, on the Maryville High School campus.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Sayles told Mr. Harmon if they had a dollar for every person or organization he has helped out, we could furnish another room. She added he was the kind of person we try to help our students turn out to be. She said Richard Harbison was a tremendous asset and was sorry he wasn't present at the meeting.

Mrs. Morgan expressed her thanks to Mr. Harmon saying "the room needed life and you put it there." She gave her appreciation to Richard and his 44 years of service. She also thanked the principals for the great start to the school year.

Mr. Black also thanked Mr. Harmon for his generous gift in giving MHS a room they could be proud of. He, too, felt the school year was off to a good start and was looking forward to fall sports beginning. Mr. Black commented on the recent violence in Charlottesville, VA, and added he was glad Maryville City Schools no longer used the Confederate battle flag symbol.

Dr. Proffitt echoed Mr. Black's comments. Graduating in a class of 73 students, he said things have really changed.

Mrs. Pope congratulated Mike and thanked Mr. Olhausen for coming. She also thanked Mr. Harmon for his generosity and hoped Maryville City Schools continued to put out students with a giving heart. She expressed her thanks to Richard Harbison. Mrs. Pope invited everyone to stay after the meeting for a celebration for Mr. Harmon.