



## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Minutes for December 9, 2019

The Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. on December 9 at Maryville High School. Board members present were Nick Black, Chad Hampton, Julie Elder, Candy Morgan, and Bethany Pope. Chairman Pope called the meeting to order promptly at 5:34 p.m. and asked for a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

In compliance with state law, Mrs. Pope called for the annual election of officers and nominated Nick Black for Chairman. Mr. Hampton seconded the motion. With no further nominations on the table, the board participated in an unopposed voice vote to elect Nick Black as the new Chairman. Mr. Black then assumed the role of Chair and asked for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman. Chad Hampton nominated Julie Elder and no additional nominations were received. In a unanimous voice vote, the board elected Mrs. Elder to serve a one-year term as Vice-Chairman.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Black called for a vote to adopt the meeting agenda; Bethany Pope made the motion for the agenda adoption. Julie Elder seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no comments.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Chad Hampton made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Candy Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

1. Approve Minutes of November 11, 2019 meeting
2. Approve MHS HOSA club trip to regional competition in Cleveland, TN
3. Approve MHS HOSA club trip to state competition in Nashville, TN
4. Ratify Executive Committee approval for MHS Wrestling team overnight competition in Hendersonville, NC
5. Approve Montgomery Ridge Intermediate Wind Ensemble trip to Dollywood
6. Ratify Executive Committee approval for MHS United Nations Club to travel to Chattanooga

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

1. **CLASSIFIED SICK BANK:** In a motion by Julie Elder, seconded by Chad Hampton, the board approved (5:0) the appointment of Candy Morgan and Michelle McClanahan as trustees of the Classified Sick Bank, with a term expiring December 31, 2022.
2. **CERTIFIED SICK BANK:** In a motion by Chad Hampton, seconded by Bethany Pope, the board approved (5:0) the appointment of Julie Elder and Lynn Mathis as trustees of the Certified Sick Bank, with a term expiring December 31, 2022.
3. **DISCIPLINE HEARING AUTHORITY:** In a motion by Chad Hampton, seconded by Bethany Pope, the board approved (5:0) the appointment of Amy Vagnier, along with one administrator from Coulter Grove, Montgomery Ridge, Maryville Jr. High, and Maryville High school to the Discipline Hearing Authority.
4. **NAVIGATE:** In a motion by Bethany Pope, seconded by Chad Hampton, the board authorized (5:0) the use of general-purpose funds to purchase NaviGate safety and security software at the proposed price of \$10,500.

## **DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS REPORT**

Dr. Winstead began his report by acknowledging the outstanding performance of the MHS Varsity Football team as 2019 TSSAA 6A state champions. He went on to note how proud he is of the effort and commitment by everyone involved in the program – consistently creating terrific outcomes both on and off the field.

Dr. Winstead noted that all 2019-summer projects are now completed and the final cost of construction came in under the bid price of \$5.2M – with the actual construction costs for additions at John Sevier Elementary and Foothills Elementary at \$4.87M. With those projects now complete, the focus and planning will turn to work slated for Sam Houston Elementary and Maryville Academy in the summer of 2020. The project planning team hopes to have bids ready for review at the March 2020 board meeting. Winstead further stated that part of the contractual agreement with the company selected would be to fund a portion of the work from this fiscal year, with the remainder coming from next year's budget.

JIM HINTON with Cope Architecture presented the latest results of the ongoing planning study, which includes eight options for the district to consider as part of the overall growth plan. After review and input from teachers and administrators, forums will be scheduled for parents, students, and the community to review the options and provide feedback as well. The data from these input sessions will be organized and presented to the School Board and City Council in the spring of 2020.

## OPTION SUMMARY:

- **Option 1**
  - 8 classroom expansion at Sam Houston
  - 8 classroom expansion at Montgomery Ridge
  - 8 classroom expansion at MJHS
  - 8 classroom expansion at MHS
    - Total: \$14 million
- **Option 2**
  - 8 classroom expansion at Sam Houston
  - Intermediate schools reconfigured to grades 4-6
  - Construct new (7-8) middle school
  - Combine MJHS and MHS in two school campuses
    - Total: \$39 million
- **Option 3**
  - 8 classroom expansion at Sam Houston
  - Convert CGIS to middle school (grades 7-8)
  - Construct new intermediate schools (grades 4-6)
  - Intermediate schools reconfigured to grades 4-6
  - Combine MJHS and MHS in two school campuses
    - Total: \$31 million
- **Option 4**
  - 8 classroom expansion at Sam Houston
  - Construct new intermediate school
  - Convert both MJHS and MHS to “college classroom model”
    - Total: \$28.5 million
- **Option 5**
  - 8 classroom expansion at Sam Houston
  - Construct new intermediate school
  - Intermediate schools reconfigured to grades 4-8
  - Combine MJHS and MHS in two school campuses
    - Total: \$28 million
- **Option 6**
  - 8 classroom expansion at Sam Houston
  - Construct new Jr. High School (grades 7-9)
  - Intermediate schools reconfigured to grades 4-6
  - Current MJHS converted to grades 7-9
  - Convert MHS to “college classroom model”
    - Total: \$31.25 million
- **Option 7**
  - Construct a new K-4 elementary school
  - Reconfigure all elementary schools to grades K-4
  - Reconfigure intermediate schools to grades 5-7
  - Convert MJHS and MHS to “college classroom model”
    - Total: \$18.5 million
- **Option 8**
  - Construct new K-4 elementary school
  - Reconfigure all elementary schools to grades K-4
  - Reconfigure both intermediate schools to grades 5-7
  - Build 8 additional classrooms at MJHS
  - Convert MHS to “college classroom model”
    - Total: \$21.25 million

## **RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND STUDENTS (Read by Nick Black)**

### **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

- Mr. Hampton wished everyone a great holiday season and congratulated the MHS football team, saying they system was “well represented” by the team and fans.
- Mrs. Morgan congratulated the football team, thanked Mr. Hinton for his continued work on the planning study, and acknowledged the students in attendance from Mr. Driver’s class at MHS.
- Mr. Black expressed his gratitude as the newly elected board chair. He noted how the experience in Cookeville at the championship game made him proud to be associated with an organization with such high standards.
- Mrs. Elder expressed her hope that our students realize and are grateful for the many ways their public school experience in Maryville is outstanding and how growth is yet another sign that many others seek the excellence we have come to expect.
- Mrs. Pope also congratulated the football players and coaches, thanked Mr. Hinton for his presentation and help with growth planning, and acknowledged the great work our nursing educators are doing. She ended her comments with holiday greetings.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Anglim