



## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Minutes for January 13, 2020

The Maryville Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. on January 13 at Foothills Elementary 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 5:30 p.m. and asked for a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Students leading the pledge included Mariella Black, Nicholas Black, and Andrew Hampton.

### **SCHOOL UPDATE**

Principal Schito welcomed everyone to the school and explained how they decided to focus on specials and extracurricular programming for the school update this year. With a library filled with parents, grandparents, students, and teachers, Mrs. Schito called on her staff and students to demonstrate how students enjoy and benefit from after-school programs such as art club, running club, and singers.

Life skills teacher Stephanie Collins (along with TA Rebecca Adams) reviewed the goals and achievements of a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade running club called Rocky Runners. Art teacher Mary Carbonell gave each board member and district representative a student-made pottery piece as an appreciation gift. She also discussed how the after school art club focused on community art this fall - participated in activities such as rock painting, fence weaving, window painting, and encouraging road signs. The Foothills Singers ended the update by performing two lovely selections for those in attendance.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Black called for a vote to adopt the meeting agenda; Chad Hampton 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**

Julie Elder made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Chad Hampton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

1. Approve Minutes of December 9, 2019, meeting (Attachment)
2. Approve Maryville High School Baseball team overnight/out-of-state trip to Gulf

Shores, AL. (Attachment A1)

3. Approve Maryville High School Baseball team overnight/out-of-state trip to Dalton and Rossville, GA. (Attachment A2)

4. Approve Maryville High School Orchestra overnight trip for ETSBOA Jazz Clinic to in Cleveland (Attachment A3)

5. Approve Maryville High School Orchestra overnight trip for ETSBOA Senior Clinic in Gatlinburg. (Attachment A4)

6. Approve Beverage Agreement for school vending machines and concession sales (Attachment A5)

7. Approve Maryville High School Art Department overnight/out-of-state trip to Chicago. (Attachment A6)

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

1. **FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT:** Consider agreement with Cope Architecture for grease trap replacement at Maryville High School.

Dr. Winstead commented that the trap has gotten so bad it requires monthly maintenance. As this work is specialized to plumbing, the recommendation is to bid the work to a plumbing company, rather than a general contractor. Work is expected to take place in the summer of 2020 and bids will open soon.

## **DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS REPORT**

Dr. Winstead noted that the high school successfully completed fall End of Course state testing and it was all paper-based this year. Winstead discussed how January is typically a light schedule for board business and went on to highlight several items the board could expect in February. The board budget retreat is scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup> at Maryville College House in the Woods.

## **RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND STUDENTS** (Read by Nick Black and now posted on the district website)

## **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

- Candy Morgan thanked the staff and students for the pottery and honey. She also thanked Mrs. Schito for arranging to have students share – which was also a gift.
- Mrs. Pope thanked the students and welcomed everyone back for the last semester of school.
- Julie Elder congratulated Mr. Black and his family on the recent addition to his family. She thanked the students and administrators, and expressed how much she enjoyed seeing the rainbow art provided by the art club as part of their fence-weaving project.
- Chad Hampton thanked everyone and noted how much he loved coming to Foothills, especially since this is his 7<sup>th</sup> year at the school with his own children.
- Mr. Black acknowledged how special the gifts were from the students and gave those in attendance an update on his family.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Anglim