

MINUTES
Montgomery County Board of Education

Tuesday, March 26, 2024
Regular Session Meeting
Clay Community Center
5:30 p.m.

The Montgomery County Board of Education met in regular session at the Clay Community Center at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 to conduct monthly business. A copy of the agenda is bound at the conclusion of these Minutes.

The following members were present:

Mrs. Sharon Smith-Breiner, Chair
Dr. Daniel Freeman, Vice Chair
Mrs. Alice Anderson
Ms. Carmela Fletcher-Green
Mr. Bill Morgan

Also present:

Matthew D. Thompson, Ed.D., Superintendent and Secretary to the Board
Mrs. Michelle Williams, Board Attorney

Additional meeting access will be available via live stream, which can be accessed at the following location:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXITX5dtroITsmmY4kSCOqg>

The Board does not allow comments on certain matters dealing with individual personnel issues. Kentucky law states specifically that personnel matters are the responsibility of the Superintendent. On all personnel matters, you should contact the Superintendent of schools. (See Board Policies 03.16/03.26, 10.2) In addition, presentations may be limited in order to protect against divulgence of personally identifiable student information as protected by state and federal law.

Montgomery County School District's Mission Statement:

Our mission is to provide a safe and accepting environment and ensure a student-centered, equitable education with high expectations for ALL students.

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda

Order #2023-24:117: Primary Motion Passed. Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Ms. Fletcher-Green seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

III. Reading of Mission Statement

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Moment of Silence

VI. Recognitions –

1. MCHS Swim & Dive Team
2. MCHS & McNabb Wrestling

1. MCHS Swim and Dive Team

Lainey Neal

Skyler Cockrell

Tucker Gross

Jennings Patrick

Cooper Gross

Jon Andrew Ledford

Maxx Pharris

The MCHS Swim and Dive team had several athletes qualify and compete in the KHSAA State Swimming and Diving Championships. The boys' 400 free relay team made up of **Cooper Gross, Tucker Gross, Jennings Patrick, and Max Pharris**, and three divers, **Skyler Cockrell, Jon Andrew Ledford, and Jennings Patrick**, all represented Montgomery County Schools last month. Lainey Neal is the head coach, and Morgan Pelfrey is the assistant coach, Joey Svatba is the diving coach. Congratulations to the following team members:

2. Wrestling

Montgomery County High School

Dax Hayes, Matthew Stevens

The MCHS Lady Indians Wrestling Team had an outstanding showing at the KHSAA State Tournament! This was the first sanctioned KHSAA female wrestling state championship and MCHS had three girls place. Brooklyn Banfield finished 5th, Bailey Duh finished 6th, and Avery Lytle finished 3rd! With just four girls competing, the girls' team finished 11th out of 72 schools competing. The boys' team had six wrestlers qualify for state and one qualify as an alternate. Dax Hayes is the head coach, and Matthew Stevens and Alicia Meyer are assistant coaches. Congratulations to the following team members:

Daxton Baker

Bailey Duh

Kenzie Lee

Ben Thomerson

Brooklyn Banfield

Jordan Haines

Avery Lytle

Noah Weissbach

Clayton Bradley

Dawson Jackson

Andrew McKinley

McNabb Middle School

Austin Morgan, Chris Burton

The McNabb Middle School Wrestling team had two wrestlers qualify at regionals to compete in the KFWC Youth State Wrestling Championships. Austin Morgan is the head coach and Chris Burton is the assistant coach. Please join me in congratulating Owen Burton and Preston Jackson.

Owen Burton

Preston Jackson

VII. School Spotlight – *McNabb Middle*

VIII. Hearing of Citizens – *No Citizens signed up to speak*

IX. Reports/Monthly Updates

Printed Information

- A. Maintenance
- B. Transportation
- C. Technology
- D. Food & Nutrition Services
- E. Child Care
- F. Communications

- G. Office of Special Education
- H. Curriculum Department and Instructional Coaches Reports
- I. School Reports & SBDM Minutes
- J. Attendance Report
- K. Superintendent's Calendar
- L. Superintendent's Report – *Verbal* –

Dr. Thompson began with saying site visits have been conducted throughout the district the last two weeks saying he had seen the fruits of our staff's labor. Throughout the district he has seen a tremendous improvement in student's writing to explain, student independent work, and focused instruction truly aligned with the Kentucky Academic Standards. Dr. Thompson specifically wanted to recognize Mapleton, MSE, Northview, and McNabb for the noticeable strides that have been made and he expects to see good gains in the results of our current MVPA assessment, which is a great predictor for KSA at the end of the year.

Dr. Thompson went on to say today, we began our collaboration with the Kentucky Center for Mathematics in order to strengthen our math instruction throughout the district. Just as our focus on, new materials, and intentional professional learning has given great gains in literacy, we know that we are moving on that same path for math.

Dr. Thompson shared that earlier this month we had three great collaborative opportunities with our community to benefit our students.

- a. On Tuesday, March 12, 2024 we held the Work Ethic Seal for Sophomores at MCHS. Sophomores learned from sessions on career exploration, teamwork and conflict management, and financial literacy. I want to personally thank the following community members/leaders for helping out by facilitating sessions:
 - i. Erika Easter – Sterling Health Care
 - ii. Austin Lewis – First Baptist Church
 - iii. Vanessa Tuttle – Traditional Bank
 - iv. Chris Miller – MSU @ Mt. Sterling
 - v. Hannah Blevins – Dairy Queen
 - vi. Jacob Koger – Dairy Queen
 - vii. Bill Wolsky – Wolsky Telecom Solutions
 - viii. Scott Murphy – MoCo Schools/McNabb
 - ix. Jason Rainey – Chamber and Industrial Authority
 - x. Tonya Jones – Chamber
 - xi. Donna Amburgey – Chamber
- b. Also, on March 12, 2024, we had Seniors participate in our new, "Mentor Project" where they were able to shadow a local business/industry/city/county leader in a field matching to their career interest.
- c. Last week, in collaboration with the Chamber and Industrial Authority and local business, industry, and colleges and universities, we held a college and career fair for Juniors and Seniors at MCHS

Dr. Thompson shared and reminded all that next week, April 1 – 5th is Spring Break.

Dr. Thompson then spoke of the opportunities that our students have to show mastery of many skills are fantastic! Here are just some of the strong performances in all aspects of our student experience that have occurred since our last Board Meeting:

- d. Academic Team/Regional Governor's Cup
 - i. Mapleton Elementary was Regional Champion
 - 1. 1st place overall
 - 2. 1st place FPS
 - 3. 1st place Quick Recall
 - 4. Composition
 - a. 1st – Andie Auxier
 - b. 2nd – Seth Arnold
 - c. 3rd – Reagan Brandenburg
 - 5. Social Studies
 - a. 1st – Seth Arnold
 - b. 3rd – Lemuel Gomez-Ochoa
 - 6. Arts and Humanities
 - a. 4th – Reagan Brandenburg
 - ii. Camargo Elementary was Quick Recall Runner-up and 3rd Overall
 - 1. Abigail Reed 1st place ELA
 - 2. Nathan Oney 4th place ELA
 - 3. Clay Garland 5th place Social Studies
 - iii. MSE
 - 1. Avery Williams – 3rd in Social Studies
- e. MCHS Archery – Girls were Region 7 runner-up's advancing to state for the first time in history!
- f. Trina Goodrich has been rocking it at MSE with her unit on roller skating
- g. Our MCHS new ROX program was spotlighted on LEX 18 news. This new program, funded through the Stronger Connections grant (Thanks to Mrs. Harris) helps provide confidence and empowerment to some of our high school female students. Thanks to Holly Lawson, Lacy Gross and Taria Booker for sponsoring this and getting it off the ground.
- h. McNabb's performance of Moana Jr was unbelievable (as normal). Our students are so talented and we appreciate all that our directors to do draw help encourage our students throughout this process. Adam Allison, Terena Wallingford, Marybeth Hamilton, Tom Molstad.
- i. MCHS cheerleaders were the 10th region in-game cheerleading competition champions. Kayley Jackson and Wittley Jacobs earned All-Region Cheer Honors.
- j. Many district admin and community leaders participated in Read Across America Week at the beginning of March. I got to read my favorite book, Ferdinand to 2nd and 3rd grade classrooms.
- k. MCHS Mock Trial Red Team won the state championship for the 3rd consecutive time and 16th time overall. They go on to Nationals in May.
- l. McNab was well represented at the first every KMEA Middle School All-State Band by Caiden Justice and McKenna Cagle

- m. Our nutrition department did a great job helping to honor Nancy Green on Monday, March 4 and also with the National School Breakfast Week a few weeks later.
- n. The MCHS Track and Field team hosted their first meet on the new track this past Saturday. The girls team finished 1st and the boys team finished 2nd.
- o. Senior Ava Plumb officially signed to continue her academic and athletic career at Centre College.

Dr. Thompson said there are so many wonderful things going on in our school district. Our students and staff are doing amazing things!

X. Consent Agenda *(Red page numbers notate revisions and/or additions in Addendum section)*

Order #2023-24:118: Primary Motion Passed. Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Ms. Fletcher-Green seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

Items approved were:

- A. Approval of Minutes – 02/13/2024 Special Session, 02/15/2024 Special Session, 02/20/2024 Special Session and 02/27/2024 Regular Session
- B. Treasurer/Food Service Reports & Accounts Payable – A copy of the approved report and AP are bound at the conclusion of these minutes.
- C. Monthly School Activity Reports – Copies of the approved reports are bound at the conclusion of these minutes.
- D. Student Trip Requests – Copies of the Approved trips are bound at the conclusion of these minutes.
- E. Fundraiser Requests – A copy of the approved requests are bound at the conclusion of these minutes.
- F. Facilities Use Requests – A copy of the approved requests are bound at the conclusion of these minutes.
- G. Declaration of Surplus Property – A copy of the approved surplus are bound at the conclusion of these minutes.
- H. Policy & Procedure – Reading and Review
 - 1. Policy Revision 09.2 – 2nd Reading
- I. Agreements, Applications & Contracts – Copies are bound at the conclusion of these Minutes.

Items Approved were:

- 1. JAGKY 2024-25 MOU
- 2. New Support Ticketing Program – Happy Fox Help Desk
- 3. KY Bluegrass Award Book Grant – MCHS
- 4. No Kid Hungry Grant Application

XI. Discussion / Approval of 2024-2025 District Student Accident Insurance Recommendation

Order #2023-24:119: Primary Motion Passed. Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve the student accident insurance recommendation, as presented. Dr. Freeman seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

XII. Discussion / Approval of KISTA 2024 Used Bus Sale Resolution & Contract

Order #2023-24:120: Primary Motion Passed. Dr. Freeman made a motion to approve the bus sale of 2 busses, as presented. Ms. Fletcher-Green seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

XIII. Discussion / Approval of FCCLA Nationals Student Trip

Order #2023-24:121: Primary Motion Passed. Dr. Freeman made a motion to approve the student trip for FCCLA Nationals, as presented. Ms. Fletcher-Green seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

XIV. Discussion / Approval of Mock Trial Nationals

Order #2023-24:122: Primary Motion Passed. Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve the student trip for Mock Trial Nationals, as presented. Dr. Freeman seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

XV. Discussion / Approval of 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 School Calendar

Order #2023-24:123: Primary Motion Passed. Mrs. Smith-Breiner made a motion to approve the 24-25 and 25-26 school calendar, as presented. Dr. Freeman seconded the motion. Vote carried 4-1

Mrs. Anderson	NO
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

XVI. Personnel Matters/Acknowledgement of Personnel Activities

Order #2023-24:124: Primary Motion Passed. Ms. Fletcher-Green made a motion to approve the Personnel agenda and additional items, as presented. Dr. Freeman seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

Items Approved were:

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- A. Discussion / Approval Regarding Personnel Report
- B. Discussion / Approval of Salary Increase for Nutrition Summer & Catering Time
- C. Discussion / Approval of 2024-2025 MSD Teacher Recruitment & Retention Plan

XVII. Facilities

Order #2023-24:125: Primary Motion Passed. Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve the facilities items, as presented. Ms. Fletcher-Green seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

Items Approved were:

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- 1. BG 4 & BG 5 – MCHS Front Foyer (Closeout)
- 2. BG 4 & BG 5 – MSE Roof Replacement (Closeout)
- 3. Asphalt Bid Recommendation

XVII. Addendum / Revisions / Additional Information (for organizational & informational purposes)

Order #2023-24:126: Primary Motion Passed. Dr. Freeman made a motion to approve the addendum section, as presented. Ms. Fletcher-Green seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES

Items Approved were:

- 1. Fundraiser Requests
- 2. No Kid Hungry Grant
- 3. Asphalt Bid Recommendation

XVIII. Confirm April Meeting. The April Regular Session is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at the Clay Community Center.

XIX. Closed session per KRS 61.810(1)(c), to Discuss Pending Litigation – Not needed

XX. Possible Action Following Closed Session – NA

XXI. Adjournment

Order #2023-24:127: Primary Motion Passed. Having no further business to discuss, Dr. Freeman made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Smith-Breiner seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m. Vote carried 5-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	YES
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Mr. Morgan	YES


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