MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

April 8, 2013

The Montgomery County Board of Education convened in its regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 8, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. Board members were present as follows:

Steven W. DeBerry, Chair
Tommy Blake, Vice Chair
Bryan Dozier
Jesse Hill
Ann Long
Sandra Miller
Shirley Threadgill

Chairman DeBerry called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the agenda as shown. With a motion from Sandra Mill and a second from Ann Long, the agenda was adopted with unanimous approval from the board with this change.

Opening remarks by Chairman DeBerry were about choosing the best person for a position. Sometimes an adversary is a strong person that under other circumstances give a position what it needs. President Lincoln showed this with choosing Stanton as his Secretary of War. A difference of opinion does not make one less than worthy.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Star Elementary Students, Alyssa Dunn and Katelyn Comer.

With no one signing up to address the board, the meeting proceeded to the recognitions.

A resolution of esteem was presented to the family of Bettye Ruth Cagle, which was as follows:

WHEREAS, our Heavenly Father, in His infinite love and wisdom, saw fit to call home Bettye Ruth Cagle on March 8, 2013, and

WHEREAS, her services in the cafeteria system of the Educational System of Montgomery County were a living testimonial of her integrity and skill, and

WHEREAS, her loss will be deeply felt, not only by those with whom she served, but also throughout her entire community and county.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Montgomery County Board of Education goes on record in expressing a sense of real loss and regret in her passing; that a copy of this resolution be conveyed to her family as an indication of our deep sympathy; and that a copy of the same be filed as a part of the permanent minutes of the board of education.

Moving on to other recognitions were the NC State University Science and Technology Enriching Lifelong Leadership in Tomorrow's Endeavors (SATELLITE) Program. Only 50 students in the US are chosen to participate. Five students from East Montgomery High School participated as follows: Jorge Munoz-Morales, Rachel Parks, Braxton Pratt, Carlos Salgado and Camille Smith. Congratulations on this achievement!

Next the Destination Imagination group from East Montgomery High School came in 1st Place in the State Competition and will now compete nationally. Those students are: Allegra Wall, Karla Quintero, Diana Lopez, and Tania Vargas. Congratulations and good luck!

The meeting proceeded to the consent agenda with Chairman DeBerry asking that the approval of the consent agenda be voted on after the closed session. With no opposition, this was approved.

Star Elementary was the school highlighted this month. Principal Teresa Dunn introduced Teachers Linda Thompson and Shirley Collins who gave a presentation and student video on Poetry Café which gives students experience in writing, composing, and presenting. All students have talent in this form of activity.

The MOODLE system demonstration was presented by Wade Auman. MOODLE stands for Modular Object-Oriented Dynamic Learning Environment. MOODLE is an online management system which is a blended model with face to face and online function. Students can access it from home with a computer system, which makes it very useful if they are sick. There are many functions to MOODLE for teachers as well as students. So far it seems to have cut down on discipline as well as improve access to lessons and information. The drawbacks are lack of computer systems in the homes and having the time to update the content.

Regina Smith and Beth Walker with FirstHealth Hospital Systems spoke on the obesity issues with students in Montgomery County Schools. FirstHealth Montgomery Memorial Hospital Foundation raises funds to meet childrens crisis needs and fund an obesity prevention program for Montgomery County Schools. Their program consists of physical activity, nutrition and behavior modification education. Thank you FirstHealth for your support of our children.

Next to be brought forth for approval are the policies shown below. With a motion from Sandra Miller, along with a second from Tommy Blake and with unanimous approval from the board, these policies were approved.

- Policy Code 4130 Discretionary Admission
- Policy Code 4130-R Discretionary Admission (admission and transfer of students)

The following group of policies were presented for study to be approved at the May 6, 2013 Board of Education meeting.

- Policy Code 7300 Staff Responsibilities

Superintendent Ellis introduced a New Model for Excellence which adds more information such as using assessments to get data, all schools have remediation plans in place and will refine their instruction. It also addresses what we do if students don't learn and how to close the gaps.

With a motion from Tommy Blake, along with a second from Jesse Hill, the board unanimously approved going into closed session to discuss personnel.

Upon reconvening, Chairman DeBerry then asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with an amendment to the personnel report. With a motion from Bryan Dozier and a second from Shirley Threadgill, the board unanimously approved the information as follows.

1) Minutes from the March 4, 2013 regular meeting
2) Personnel and auxiliary reports as shown below
3) Budget Amendments #11 #12 as shown below
4) Ed Contract for CompHealth for Occupational Therapy Services

Upon the recommendation of the principal, approval of the following addition to the substitute teacher list:

Noncertified	**Recommended By**	**Record Check**
1) Lory Jenkins	Beth Lancaster	Yes

b. Superintendent reports the acceptance of the following resignations/retirements:

Resignation/Retirement	**School/Assignment**	**Effective Date**
1) Carol Hardee Retirement	Central Office Adm. Asst. to Superintendent	April 17, 2013
2) Beth Blake Retirement	Candor Elementary Elementary Teacher	February 28, 2013
3) Kimberly Thomas Resignation	West Middle School 7th Grade English/Lang.Arts	April 8, 2013

c. Report of the following transfers:

Transfer/ Effective Date	**From**	**To**	**Replacing**
1) Bill Mingin 02/13/13	Central Office Director of Maintenance	Central Office Exec. Director of Auxiliary Services	John Ward
2) Lakita McDonald 03/18/13	West Montgomery Child Nutrition Worker	West Montgomery Child Nutrition Assistant Manager	Barbara Parsons
3) Tammy Simmons 03/25/13	West Montgomery Child Nutrition Sub	West Montgomery Child Nutrition Part-time	Lakita McDonald
*4) Susan Fox	Central Office/HR Admin. Asst.	Central Office/ Admin. Asst. to Supt.	Carol Hardee

*Addendum added

d. Upon recommendation, approval of the following interim probationary contracts for 2012-2013 as provided by General Statute 115C-325:

Contract/ Effective Date	School/ Assignment	Record Check	Replacing
1) Enoc Robledo	East Montgomery High Spanish Teacher	Yes	Completed Coursework
2) Kendall Bruton 01/31/2013	East Montgomery High School Dance Teacher – Part Time	Yes	New Position

e. Upon recommendation of the superintendent, approval of recommendation for employment of the following bus driver/sub drivers for the 2012-2013 school year that are not dual employees:

- Sandra Alston
- Edward Roberson (Pending background)

f. Upon recommendation of the superintendent, approval of recommendation for leave of absence of the following personnel:

- Nora Beasley, Page Street Elementary, requesting a leave of absence from March 7, 2013 until June 17, 2013.

g. Upon recommendation, approval of the following administrative contracts:

- Vance Thomas, Principal, Troy Elementary, annual twelve-month term, commencing July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2017.
- Angie Tofflemeyer, Assistant Principal, West Middle School, annual eleven-month term, commencing August 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014.
- Barbara Slingerland, Director of Exceptional Children, annual twelve-month term, commencing July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2017.
- Alisha Ellis, Director of Curriculum Support, annual twelve-month term, commencing July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2017.
- Phillip Brown, Director of Secondary Education/CTE, annual twelve-month term, commencing July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2017.

Montgomery County Administration Unit

The Montgomery County Board of Education at a meeting on the 8th day of April 2013, passed the following resolution.

Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

Expense Code	Description of Code	Increase	Decrease
1.5000.003	Salary - Non Instructional Support		26,417
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Explanation: **Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.**			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		$	26,700,449
Amount of **Increase**		**$**	**-**
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget		$	26,700,449

Federal Fund

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3.5000.156	Race to the Top ARRA	120,817	
3.5000.050	Title I LEA Basic Program	32,890	
3.5000.105	Title I School Improvement		155
3.6000.051	ESEA Title I - Migrant Regular	30,794	
3.8000.156	Race to the Top ARRA		120,817
3.8000.050	Title I Lea Basic Program		32,890
3.8000.105	Title I School Improvement	155	
3.8000.051	ESEA Title I - Migrant Regular	575	
3.3600.051	ESEA Title I - Migrant Regular	31,369	

Explanation: **Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.**

Total Appropriation in Current Budget 4,376,763

Amount of **Increase** **31,369**

Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget 4,408,132

Chairman DeBerry then asked for a motion to adjourn. With a motion from Tommy Blake, along with a second from Bryan Dozier, the meeting was duly adjourned.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 6, 2013.

Steven W. DeBerry, Chairman

Dale Ellis, Ed. D., Secretary