

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

December 4, 2017

The Montgomery County Board of Education convened in its regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 4, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. Board members present were Steven W. DeBerry – Chair, Tommy Blake – Vice Chair, Jesse Hill, Bryan Dozier, Ann Long, Tommy Blake, Sandra Miller and Shirley Threadgill.

Chairman DeBerry called the meeting to order and moved to adopt the agenda as shown. Ann Long made the motion with Tommy Blake seconding. The agenda was accepted with unanimous approval from the board.

Chairman DeBerry opened by reading a devotional on the Christmas season. He reminded us to think about giving and not receiving, to appreciate your friends and family, to be kind and gentle and to apologize when you are wrong.

Page Street students Georgia Dennis and Elaina Goforth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Chairman DeBerry turned the meeting over to board attorney, Max Garner to elect officers for the year ending 2018. Mr. Garner asked for nominees for board chair for the upcoming year. Bryan Dozier nominated Steve DeBerry, while Shirley Threadgill seconded. All board members agreed. Ann Long nominated Tommy Blake as Co-chair. Bryan Dozier seconded the nomination with unanimous approval from the board.

Dr. Ellis and Principal Teresa Dunn recognized Page Street Elementary Employees of the Month. Christy Shepherd, Media Specialist, is the classified employee while Allison Vanness, Teacher, is the certified employee. Mrs. Dunn described both as wonderful employees and as team players, adding she is blessed to have them both at Page Street.

Dr. Ellis presented Chief Finance Officer Mitch Taylor and finance employees Lisa Ritter and Donna Morris with three awards. They include the NCDPI Excellence in Management of the Public School Fund award, the Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting and the Association of School Business Officials International CAFR for 2017-18. Superintendent Ellis stated that out of one hundred and fifteen school systems in North Carolina, only twelve get all three awards. This is the seventh year in a row the finance office has received these awards. Finance employees Michelle Brady and Cheryl Kime were not able to attend.

Next, Superintendent Ellis presented retirement certificates to Beth Lancaster and Tim Addis, who retired last month. Dr. Ellis thanked them for their many years of service to Montgomery County Schools and our students.

Dr. Ellis called on Dr. Pokie Noland to present the 2017 Exceptional Children Educator of the Year award to Stephanie Ross. Ms. Ross was voted on by her peers and represented MCS at the Exceptional Children Conference in Greensboro. She is a teacher at East Middle School.

Dr. Ellis and April Britt (standing in for Linda Annundson), presented West Montgomery Beta Club students certificates. Angelina Soulasinh won the John W. Harris Leadership award and was one of five students nationwide to attend the Leadership Conference in Washington,

DC. Samantha Cranford and Teal Rose placed third nationally in the Trading Pin competition. Allison Weaver, Maggie Pipkin, Liz Loflin and Caitlin Singleton placed fourth in the Website Design category.

Chairman DeBerry asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as shown. The board agreed unanimously with a motion by Sandra Miller and a second by Jesse Hill. The following items were approved:

- 1) Board Minutes from the November 6, 2017 board meeting;
- 2) Personnel and Auxiliary Report as follows:
 - a. Upon the recommendation of the principal, approval of the following additions to the substitute teacher list:

<u>Noncertified</u>	<u>Recommended By</u>	<u>Record Check</u>
1. Joyce Awong-Cole	Rikki Baldwin	Yes
2. Krystal Lawson	Maxine Brown	Yes
3. Sharon Harkins	Maxine Brown	Yes
 - b. Upon recommendation, approval of the following interim contracts for the 2017-2018 school year as provided by General Statute 115C-325:

<u>Contract/ Effective Date</u>	<u>School/ Assignment</u>	<u>Record Check</u>
1. Abigail Avalos 12/01/2017	Troy Elementary Kindergarten Teacher	Yes
 - c. Upon recommendation of the superintendent, approval of recommendation for employment of the following non-certified personnel:

<u>Employee/ Effective Date</u>	<u>School/ Assignment</u>	<u>Record Check</u>
1. Harvest Little 11/29/2017	M.C. Early College MOVE Facilitator	Yes
2. Meghan Housley 11/13/2017	All Locations Child Nutr. Sub	Yes
 - d. Upon recommendation of the superintendent, approval of recommendation for employment of the following bus drivers, sub drivers and monitors that are not dual employees:

Shyla Hairston – Bus Monitor	Yes
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 - e. Upon recommendation, approval of the following coaches for the Winter 2018 sports season:

West Montgomery High School
 Tanisha Bowden – Head Women’s Basketball
 Derrick Richardson – Assistant Women’s Basketball
 Grant Smith – Head Men’s Basketball
 Chad Chriscoe – Head JV Men’s Basketball
 Johni Lilly – Indoor Track
 Jason Hensley – Men’s Swimming
 Jill Drake – Women’s Swimming
 Daniel Coggins – Head Wrestling
 Carson Anderson – Assistant Wrestling

Jasmine Hill – Cheerleading

East Middle School

Blake Frazier – Head Boys Basketball / Assistant Girls Basketball
 Shaquille Little – Cheerleading
 Kesha Collins – Head Girls Basketball / Assistant Boys Basketball

West Middle School

Mike West – Wrestling
 Alicia Blalock – Wrestling
 Ella Waddell – Boys Basketball / Girls Basketball
 Anthony Maynor – Boys Basketball
 Caitlin Batten – Girls Basketball

The following overnight field trips are requested:

West Montgomery High School:

Travel Tracker# 1603 Beta Club Convention (Linda Anundson)
 Greensboro, NC – 02/02/18 – 02/03/18

Montgomery County Early College:

Travel Tracker# 1633 Beta Club Convention (April Daywalt)
 Greensboro, NC – 02/02/18 – 02/03/18

Upon recommendation, approval of release from Montgomery County Schools requested for the 2017-2018 school year.

Montgomery County to Stanly County

1) Bailey Christian Baker

3) Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment # 2
 Montgomery County Administration Unit

The Montgomery County Board of Education at a meeting on the 4th day of December 2017, passed the following resolution:
 Be It resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Expense Code	Description of Code	Increase	Decrease
STATE FUNDS			
Revenues			
1.3211.130	Text Book Allowment Bud Rev #10	\$0.00	-\$552.00
1.3100.000	State Funds Bud Revision #19	\$1,600.00	-\$69,330.00
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	Net Change in State Revenues	-\$68,282.00	
Expenses			
1.5000.004	Classroom Teachers		-\$38,691.00
1.5000.007	Instructional Support		-\$4,210.00
1.5000.013	CTE - Months of Employment		-\$4,975.00
1.5000.014	CTE Funds	\$0.00	-\$305.00
1.5000.025	Disadvantaged Student Funds		-\$3,736.00
1.5000.027	Teacher Assistants		-\$3,261.00
1.5000.031	Low Wealth Funding	\$0.00	-\$2,282.00
1.5000.034	Academic City Fund		-\$687.00
1.5000.034	Transportation		-\$4,511.00
1.5000.051	School Supplies	\$0.00	-\$397.00
1.5000.130	Textbook		-\$552.00
1.5000.069	At Risk Student Services	\$0.00	-\$3,110.00
1.6000.065	inClass Reading 3D	\$1,600.00	
1.6000.069	New Instructional Budget	\$0.00	-\$3,325.00
1.6000.054	Limited English Proficiency	\$9,416.00	-\$9,416.00
	Net Change in State Expenses	-\$68,282.00	
	Net Change in State Budget	-\$68,282.00	
Explanation: Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$26,046,424.00	
Amount of Increase		-\$68,282.00	
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget		\$25,978,142.00	

Budget Amendment # 2

Expense Code	Description of Code	Increase	Decrease
LOCAL FUNDS			
Revenues			
Expenses			
2.6000.055	Local Transportation		\$0.00
2.5000.461	JCPD In-kind March Transportation	\$0.00	
2.5000.061	Supplies		\$0.00
2.5000.801	Non-Program - Advanced Ed	\$0.00	
	Net Change in Local Budget	\$0.00	
Explanation: Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget			\$6,492,948.16
Amount of Increase			\$0.00
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget			\$6,492,948.16

Budget Amendment # 2

Expense Code	Description of Code	Increase	Decrease
FEDERAL FUNDS			
Revenues			
3.3600.111	Title 3 Language Acquisition	\$0.00	
3.3600.103	Title 2 Improving Teacher Quality	\$0.00	
3.3600.101	Attendance Education Program	\$0.00	-\$1.04
3.3600.060	EC	\$0.00	
3.3600.118	Targeted Assistance	\$0.00	
3.3600.050	Title 1	\$0.00	
3.3600.109	Rural and Low Income Schools	\$0.00	
3.3600.104	Language Acquisition	\$0.00	
3.3600.119	IDEA Targeted Assistance	\$2,000.00	
Net Change in Federal Revenues		\$1,998.96	
Expenses			
3.5000.111	Title 3 Language Acquisition	\$0.00	
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3.5000.103	Title 2 Improving Teacher Quality	\$0.00	
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3.5000.101	Attendance Education Program	\$0.00	-\$1.04
3.5000.060	EC	\$0.00	
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3.5000.118	Targeted Assistance	\$0.00	
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3.5000.050	Title 1	\$0.00	
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3.5000.104	Language Acquisition	\$0.00	
3.5000.119	IDEA Targeted Assistance	\$1,940.71	
3.5000.119	IDEA Targeted Assistance	\$59.29	
Net Change in Federal Expenses		\$1,998.96	
Net Change in Federal Budget		\$0.00	
Explanation: Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$2,895,820.02	
Amount of Increase		\$1,998.96	
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget		\$2,897,818.98	

Budget Amendment # 2

Expense Code	Description of Code	Increase	Decrease
CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND			
Revenues			
4.4910.000	Capital Outlay Fund Balance	\$7,000.00	
4.4910.000	Capital Outlay Fund Balance	\$6,300.00	
Net Change in Capital Outlay Revenues		\$13,300.00	
Expenses			
4.9000.800	WMS flooring project	\$7,000.00	
4.9000.800	GRE fence project	\$6,300.00	
Net Change in Capital Outlay Expenses		\$13,300.00	
Net Change in Capital Outlay Budget		\$0.00	
Explanation: Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$2,796,847.00	
Amount of Increase		\$13,900.00	
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget		\$2,810,747.00	

Expense Code	Description of Code	Increase	Decrease
CHILD NUTRITION FUND			
Revenues			
5.7800.000	USDA Fresh Fruit Program	\$0.00	
Expenses			
5.7800.000	USDA Fresh Fruit Program	\$0.00	
Net Change in Child Nutrition Budget		\$0.00	
Explanation: Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$3,482,314.00	
Amount of Increase		\$0.00	
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget		\$3,482,314.00	

Budget Amendment # 2

Expense Code	Description of Code	Increase	Decrease
LOCAL FUND 8			
Revenues			
8.3700.413	NC Pre-K Program	\$0.00	-\$20,757.00
8.3700.462	NC Pre-K Program - CCDF Funds	\$20,757.00	
Total Changes in Fund 8 Revenues		\$0.00	
Expenses			
8.5000.413	NC Pre-K Program	\$0.00	-\$20,757.00
8.5000.462	NC Pre-K Program - CCDF Funds	\$20,757.00	
8.5000.413	NC Pre-K Program		-\$1,324.00
8.6000.671	Device Fees	\$1,324.00	
Total Change in Fund 8 Expenses		\$0.00	
Net Change in Local Fund 8 Budget		\$0.00	
Explanation: Adjustments made for actual revenues and expenditures.			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$2,268,568.57	
Amount of Increase		\$0.00	
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget		\$2,268,568.57	

Summary of Budget Changes	
Previous Budget	\$43,972,921.75
State Budget Change	-\$68,282.00
Local Budget Change	\$0.00
Federal Budget Change	\$1,998.96
Capital Outlay Budget Change	\$13,300.00
Child Nutrition Budget Change	\$0.00
Fund 8 Budget Change	\$0.00
Current Budget	\$43,919,938.71

Passed by majority vote by the Board of Education of Montgomery County on the 4th day of December 2017.

Chairman, Board of Education _____ Secretary, Board of Education _____

Page Street teachers Julie Davis, Lane Prince, Jennifer Nance and Allison Vanness presented a power point on the Third Grade Biography Breakfast. Students chose a historical figure to research. Students then used graphic organizers to plan their presentation. Students made “Fakebook” pages and power points of their character. At the Biography Breakfast, students dressed as their historical figure. Teachers said the breakfast was a success with around one hundred parents attending. Teachers selected a few students to attend the board meeting to read their presentations dressed as the character they chose to research.

Dr. Ellis presented for approval the Class Size Reduction Resolution, requesting that the General Assembly phase in the K-3 class size reductions over multiple years. Although smaller class sizes are a good thing for students, it creates issues for schools systems who have no space to add classrooms and with the teacher shortage, the probability of finding certified teachers to

fill them could also pose a problem. Superintendent Ellis stated that the resolution might not help; however, the school system has to try. Sandra Miller made the motion to approve the resolution with Ann Long seconding the motion. The board approved the resolution unanimously.

Next, Dr. Ellis asked the board to approve a Class Size Waiver form to be submitted to NCDPI. The waiver requests class size restrictions for Visual Arts in the kindergarten class for the remainder of the school year. Ann Long approved the request with Sandra Miller seconding.

Superintendent Ellis requested that the Career and Technical Center be named after Joseph Reese Blair. Dr. Ellis said, "Mr. Blair donated the land for the project, so it is only fitting that we name it after him." Sandra Miller made the motion to approve the request, while Ann Long seconded the motion.

Dr. Lancaster presented policies for approval. These policies were presented for review at the December board meeting. Policies numbers are 1310, 1510, 4002, 4200, 7270, 1800, 2310, 2400, 2670, 3000, 3100, 3110, 3220, 3203, 7330, 3300, 3460, 3530, 3540, 3620, 4040, 7310, 4155, 4240, 7312, 4600, 6321, 6340, 6420, 6430, 6440, 6442, 6450, 6520, 6560, 7130, 7240, 7510, 7530, 7810, 7900, 7930, 7940, 8210, 8510, 9110, 9115, 9120 and 9440. Tommy Blake approved the policy changes and Ann Long seconded.

During *Superintendent Remarks*, Dr. Ellis reminded the board of the wonderful presentation from the kids at Page Street. He stated that he hears complaints about the technology fees and the One to One Initiative, but those kids will remember their projects because they did the research on a computer. What worked for the parents, will not work for our kids. Dr. Ellis said, "I get questions about the facility projects, including "why build?" and "why put two schools together?". The answer to both questions is to give students the very best opportunities our county can offer, and with the help of MCC and the Commissioners, we are on the right track". Dr. Ellis said he appreciates the joint effort of all parties involved. "There will be struggles and issues, but we will keep the project moving forward for our students".

Chairman DeBerry then asked for a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel. Bryan Dozier asked for the motion, with Jesse Hill seconding. The board approved entering into closed session unanimously.

After returning from closed session, Chairman DeBerry asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. With a motion by Bryan Dozier and a second by Shirley Threadgill, the meeting was duly adjourned.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

Steven W. DeBerry, Chairman

Dale Ellis, Ed. D., Secretary