

**MINUTES**  
**Montgomery County Board of Education**  
Tuesday, November 19, 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, November 19, 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  
Dr. Emily Settle

*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.*

**Vision Statement:**

*Montgomery County Schools will be the standard of educational excellence in an ever-changing global society.*

**I. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 5:57 p.m.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

**Order #2024-25:073:** Primary Motion Passed. Dr. Freeman 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
Dr. Settle	YES

**III. Reading of Mission Statement – *Dr. Settle***

**IV. Pledge of Allegiance**

**V. Moment of Silence**

**VI. Recognitions**

**1. KHSAA State Golf Tournament Competitors      Chris Spoonamore,  
Michael McCormick**

The MCHS Girls' Golf Team, consisting of Madison Easterling, Hannah Lykins, Peyton Patrick, Addison Terry, and Macy Whaley, won the 12th Region. The team competed in the KHSAA State Golf Tournament earlier this month and advanced to the state championship final rounds held in Bowling Green at the Bowling Green Country Club. Two players on the boys' team individually qualified for the state tournament. Brooks Bonfield and Connor Cooper played in the tournament's first round at the Eagle's Nest Country Club in Somerset. Please join me in congratulating our state tournament competitors and their coaches, Michael McCormick, Chris Spoonamore, Kendall Back, and Wesley Lykins.

Brooks Bonfield	Madison Easterling	Peyton Patrick	Macy
Whaley Connor Cooper	Hannah Lykins	Addison Terry	

**2. MCHS Cross Country      Krista Reeves**

The MCHS Cross Country Team recently participated in the regional meet, where one runner qualified to advance to the state competition. **Elijah Johnson** competed in the state meet last month at the Kentucky Horse Park. The team is coached by Krista Reeves, Jamie Allison, and Jarrett Forrest. Congratulations to Elijah!

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

We are profoundly grateful to all of our courageous veterans for their unwavering selfless service, and we extend our heartfelt appreciation to our remarkable staff members for their dedication and commitment.

Greg Bonner  
Mark Allen Crain  
Bob Donaldson  
Corenna Fowler  
Tationna Jackson  
Duane Kidd  
Mike Lopez  
Trey Martin

Larry May  
Michael Montgomery  
David Moore  
Dave Motely  
Jason Rhodes  
Garry Saunders  
Edward Stepanchuk  
Tabatha Sturgill  
James Thomas  
Bob Willoughby  
Kevin Willoughby

November 11 to 15 marked **National School Psychology Awareness Week!** School psychologists are essential in empowering students' learning and uplifting teachers. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our school psychologist and the district psychology team for the incredible work you do to help MCS students thrive!

**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 next week is Thanksgiving and he is thankful for all of our students, staff, and board members for their hard work every day! Dr. Thompson went on to say it was great to see wonderful celebrations of our veterans on November 11 and the days surrounding it. We owe a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid for those who are willing to sacrifice for our nation and our safety. Dr. Thompson sent a special thank you to our staff



members who are veterans and who were mentioned specifically earlier in the meeting. He went on to mention that November 11 – 15 was National School Psychology Awareness Week.

Dr. Thompson then said 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:

- MCHS Junior Elijah Johnson qualified and ran in the XC State Meet
- MCHS Volleyball was 40<sup>th</sup> District champions and made it to the semifinals of the Region Tournament
- 12<sup>th</sup> region golf honors – 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Region: Madison Easterling, Peyton Patrick, Brett Marcum; 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Region – Addison Terry
- MCHS Football Team won the district championship for the first time in many years
- Jaimen Caba was named the Class 5A District player of the Year
- Football All-District Honors – Landon Wilson, Jacob Sutton, Cooper Slagle, Kamron Saville, James Kissick, Caleb Jackson, Gabe Tipton, Jonathan Hammand, Jacob Gumm, Jonathan Garcia, Gradyne Fairchild, and Elijah Ebanks.
- MCHS Football Coach Michael Caba was named the District Coach of the Year!
- MCHS Varsity Cheerleaders were runners up at the Region 5 competition and advanced to compete at the state level
- MCHS Senior Golfer Caley Mckinney has committed to continue her academic and athletic career at Clarke University
- MCHS Senior Sara Zink signed with Coastal Carolina to continue her academic and athletic career
- All-District Jazz Band – Trenton Ray, Logan Colliver, Max Sapp, Kathleen Rawlings, Ezekiel Lager, Dillon Risner, Colten Ross, Jason Covington
- All-District Concert Band – Juanita Frazier, Rachel Thompson, Macie Hall, Keegan Miller, and Sam Allen
- Rachel Thompson and Logan Colliver also made it to the 2<sup>nd</sup> round for All-State Band Auditions

Ben Sapp auditioned for MSU's School of Music yesterday and not only was he accepted he was also selected as the winner of the MSU Choral Festival solo competition

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

**Order #2024-25: 074:** Primary Motion Passed. Dr. Freeman made a motion to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Dr. Settle seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0.

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

*Items approved were:*

- A. Approval of Minutes –10/3/2024 Special Session 10/15/2024 Special Session, and 10/22/2024 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 – A copy of the approved requests 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 – NA
- H. Agreements, Applications & Contracts – Copies are bound at the conclusion of these Minutes.

*Items Approved were:*

- 1. Gear Up Grant
- 2. KY Comprehensive Literacy (KyCL) Grant

#### **XI. Personnel Matters/Acknowledgement of Personnel Activities**

**Order #2024-25:075:** Primary Motion Passed. Mrs. Anderson made a motion to approve the Personnel agenda, along with the behavior stipend and SRO Position, 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
Dr. Settle	YES

*Items Approved were:*

*A copy of the approved items are bound at the conclusion of these minutes.*

- A. Discussion / Approval Regarding Personnel Report
- B. Behavior Consultant Stipend
- C. Approve Additional SRO Position

#### **XII. Facilities**

**Order #2024-25:076:** Primary Motion Passed. Mrs. Anderson 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
Dr. Settle	YES

*Items Approved were:*

- 1. Discussion / Possible Action Regarding District Cafeteria Furniture Purchase
- 2. Discussion / Possible Action Regarding MCHS Renovation Project Design Schematics
- 3. Discussion / Possible Action Regarding Mapleton HVAC MOU



**XIII. Appointment of Board Member to Local Planning Committee**

**Order #2024-25:077:** Primary Motion Passed. Mrs. Smith-Breiner made a motion to appoint Ms. Fletcher-Green to the PLC as the Board representative. Mrs. Anderson seconded the motion. Vote carried 5-0.

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

**XIV. Discussion Agenda Items**

1. Use of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) in Schools – *Ms. Tonya McGuire presented*

**XV. Addendum / Revisions / Additional Information (for organizational & informational purposes) -NA**

**XVI. Confirm December Meeting.** *The December Regular Session is scheduled for Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at the Clay Community Center.*

**XVII. Closed session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) to Discuss Pending Litigation**

**Order #2024-25:078:** Primary Motion Passed. Dr. Settle made a motion to convene into closed session. Mrs. Anderson seconded the motion. The meeting convened into closed session at 7:27 p.m. Vote carried 5-0.

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

**XVIII. Reconvene Meeting**

**Order #2024-25:079:** Primary Motion Passed. Ms. Fletcher-Green made a motion to reconvene into closed session. Dr. Settle seconded the motion. The meeting reconvened into closed session at 8:21 p.m. Vote carried 4-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	Absent
Ms. Fletcher-Green	YES
Dr. Settle	YES

**XIX. Possible Action Following Closed Session – *The Board Chair reported there was no action taken***

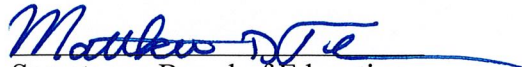
**XX. Adjournment**

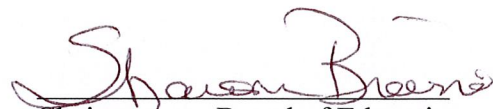
**Order #2024-25:080:** Primary Motion Passed. Having no further business to discuss, Mrs. Smith-Breiner made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Fletcher-Green seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. Vote carried 4-0.

Mrs. Anderson	YES
Mrs. Smith-Breiner	YES
Dr. Freeman	Absent

Ms. Fletcher-Green  
Dr. Settle

YES  
YES

  
Secretary - Board of Education

  
Chairperson - Board of Education