

# Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Meridian Public School District

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Meridian Public School District will be held Tuesday, January 21, 2025, beginning at 05:30 PM at Meridian High School Multi-Purpose Building, located at 2320 32nd Street.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting agenda.

Unless removed from the consent agenda and placed under discussion/action, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time with no discussion.

An asterisk (\*) indicates that support information and/or materials have been or will be provided.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Meridian High School JROTC
3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS: Monday, December 16, 2024\*
5. RECOGNITION
  - 5.1. Academic Recognition:
    - 5.1.1. Ross Collins DECA Competition\*
  - 5.2. Staff Recognition:
    - 5.2.1. MPSD Mid-Year Graduates\*
    - 5.2.2. Teacher and Administrator of the Year
6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
  - 6.1. Meridian High School: Principal Angela McQuarley
  - 6.2. Central Operations Department: Director Clay Sims
  - 6.3. Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Department (C.I.A): Director Melanie Jackson, Director Steven Shadwick, Assistant Superintendent Phatasis O'Harroll
7. CONSENT
  - 7.1. Recommendation to approve the renewal of the district alarm monitoring contracts with the current vendor, CUI Systems. The current contracts are expiring and rates have increased. The vendor has agreed to hold the increase in cost to match the state contract rate and terms for these services. Total Monthly Cost: \$1,229.00. Funding Source: District (Goal 2)\*
  - 7.2. Recommendation to approve the refiling of H1-B work visas for one (1) mathematics and one (1) special education teacher from the Philippines whose current work visas will expire at the end of January. Total Cost: \$14,530.00. Funding Source: District (Goal 1)\*
  - 7.3. Recommendation to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Gamma

Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma, Fraternity, Inc. and George Washington Carver Elementary School (Adopted School). This MOU memorializes a collaboration between the Chapter and the Adopted School, with the goal to help close academic and achievement gaps. (Goal 1)\*

7.4. Recommendation to accept the proposal from Fortenberry & Ballard, PC for the fiscal year 2025 to provide auditing services to Meridian Public School District. The audit contract is for one (1) year. Total Cost Up To: \$27,900.00. Funding Source: District (Goal 5)\*

7.5. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Primero Edge as the district's Menu Planning Software. Primero Edge will be used beginning the 2025-2026 school year. Total Cost: \$16,150.00. Funding Source: Child Nutrition (Goal 2)\*

7.6. Recommendation to approve an agreement with The Excellence group to provide one (1) day of services with an experienced Federal Programs Consultant. The consultant will provide expertise in reviewing and organizing required documentation, identifying and addressing compliance gaps, and providing training on federal programs monitoring requirements. Total Cost: \$1,400.00. Funding Source: Consolidated Cost Pool (Title) (Goal 1)\*

7.7. Recommendation to approve the revision of G (Personnel) Policies GBD-Professional Personnel Hiring and GCD-Classified Personnel Hiring. (Goal 3)\*

7.8. Recommendation to approve the 2024-2025 (FY26) Impact Aid Application. (Goal 5)\*

7.9. Recommendation to approve accepting the property donation by Vesica Real Estate. The property is located at 3926 12th Street, Meridian, MS 39307 . (Goal 4)\*

7.10. Recommendation to approve the revised Director of Support Services job description. (Goal 3)\*

7.11. Recommendation to approve the 2025-2026 Meridian High School Course Offerings. (Goal 1)\*

7.12. Recommendation to approve the Teacher & Certified; Nurse & Social Worker and School Resource Officer (SRO) Salary Scales. (Goal 3)\*

7.13. Recommendation to approve compensation for all district employees for the Friday, January 10, 2025 emergency closing inclement weather day. (Goal 5)\*

7.14. Recommendation to approve the 3rd Annual Jazz Festival. MPSD will cover the transportation cost for Alcorn State University's Jazz Band. Total Cost: \$2,995.00. Funding Source: Any Given Child Meridian (Goal 1)\*

7.15. Recommendation to approve Student Transfers. (Goal 1)\*

7.16. Recommendation to approve Overnight Field Trip Requests: (Goal1)\*

7.17. Recommendation to approve non-overnight charter bus field trips. (Goal 1)\*

7.18. Recommendation to approve Facility Use agreements. (Goal 4)\*

7.19. Recommendation to approve Gifts/Donations: (Goal 4)\*

7.20. Recommendation to approve Fixed Assets Additions/Disposals (Goal 5)\*

## 8. PUBLIC FORUM

## 9. ACTION

9.1. Recommendation to approve Financial reports (Budget Status Statement, Revenue and Expenditure reports, Fund Balance Analysis, Certification of Bank Reconciliations, and Cash Flow

report) (Goal 5)\*

9.2. Recommendation to approve Cash Disbursement reports (Goal 5)\*

9.3. Recommendation to approve the Activity Funds Report (Goal 5)\*

9.4. Recommendation to approve the Hiring for all Employees (temporary and full-time)

(Goal 3)\*

#### 10. CONSIDERATION OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

10.1. Student Discipline\*

10.2. Prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands\*

10.3. Superintendent and Board Attorney Evaluations

#### 11. DISTRICT REPORTS

11.1. Monthly School Report\*

11.2. Monthly Discipline Report\*

11.3. Monthly Attendance Report\*

11.4. Sixteenth (16th) Section Report\*

#### 12. INFORMATION

12.1. The next Regular Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the MHS Multi-Purpose Building, located at 2320 32nd Street.

#### 13. ADJOURNMENT