

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
Minutes
May 24, 2011

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll Call 	<p>Members Present: Gracie Porter, Chair; Mark North, Vice-Chair; Dr. Jo Ann Brannon; Dr. Sharon Gentry (left meeting at 4:20 p.m.); Ed Kindall; Cheryl D. Mayes (arrived at 4:13 p.m.); Anna Shepherd; Kay Simmons</p> <p>Members Absent: Michael Hayes and Jhamia Poole, Student Board Member</p> <p>Ms. Porter called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pledge of Allegiance 	Led by Randy Dowell, Principal of KIPP Academy.	
GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Approval of Dr. Jesse B. Register's Employment Contract Extension 	<p>Ms. Shepherd made a motion to extend Dr. Register's contract beginning July 1, 2011 not to exceed four years, and to authorize the Chair or her designee to initiate discussion with Dr. Register or his designee to bring the details of the contract back to the Board for consideration and discussion at the June 14th Board of Education regular meeting. Dr. Brannon seconded.</p> <p>Mr. North said it is important that the Board is open and transparent during this process, and believes discussion of an extension of Dr. Register's contract is appropriate and that Dr. Register is one of the best in the country. Ms. Simmons also commended Dr. Register's work, and said she is concerned that the motion may be premature, and expressed that there had not been enough Board discussion around the contract extension. Dr. Register expressed appreciation to the Board for their support and vote of confidence.</p>	<p>VOTE: 6-0-1 Yes: Kindall, North, Porter, Brannon, Shepherd, Gentry Abstain: Simmons</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACTIONS Consent Agenda 	<p>Mr. North read the following consent agenda items: II-A-1-a- Approval of Minutes – 5/10/11 Regular Meeting; II-A-1-b- Recommended Award of Contract for Football Field Lighting Package #3 (Hillsboro High School) – Knight Electric, Inc. –MBOE 10-030; II-A-1-c- Recommended Award of Contract for Football Field Lighting Package #3 (Hunters Lane and McGavock High Schools) – Reynolds Electrical Contractors, LLC-MBOE 10-030; II-A-1-d- Recommended Award of Contract for Cane Ridge Elementary School Site Work Package – R.G. Anderson Company, Inc. MBOE-11-005; II-A-1-e- Recommended Approval of Requests for Compulsory Attendance Wavier; II-A-1-f- Legal Settlement – Claim L-15039 (\$12,037)</p> <p>Ms. Shepherd made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Simmons seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 7-0</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Approval of Returning Pearl-Cohn's 9th Grade Academy to the Pearl-Cohn Building and Housing W.A. Bass at McKissack 	<p>Dr. Register said that the Administration has been studying all aspects of the recommended move. This recommendation has also been presented to the Student Assignment Task Force.</p> <p>Mr. Kindall made a motion to accept the Administration's recommendation to return Pearl Cohn's 9th Grade Academy to the Pearl-Cohn building and to House W.A. Bass in the McKissack building. Dr. Gentry seconded.</p> <p>Mr. Kindall said he strongly believes that the new magnet and existing magnet programs will give the 9th grade students more exposure. Resources provided to the Pearl-Cohn district will remain the same, and the 9th graders will have their own area of the school to help with the transition. Mr. North said the Task Force met and discussed this issue. In summary, the Task Force supports the Pearl-Cohn move if the changes are implemented in a way that will benefit Pearl-Cohn and its students. Mr. Kindall stated that he hoped that the Administration would repair W.A. Bass and use the facility in the future. Ms. Simmons said she appreciates Dr. Register, Mr. Kindall, and Mr. North's Task Force recommendation, and believes the move would be in the best interest of the students. Ms. Porter said she believes students would benefit from the new magnet programs available at Pearl-Cohn.</p>	<p>VOTE: 8-0</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Charter Application Review Committee Recommendations 	<p>Mr. Coverstone presented the Charter School Review Committee recommendations to the Board.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for Knowledge Academy be approved.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee's recommendation that the Knowledge Academy charter application be approved. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for LEAD Prep Southeast be approved.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee's recommendation that the LEAD Prep Southeast Academy</p>	<p>(Dr. Gentry left the meeting before the vote.)</p> <p>VOTE: 7-0</p> <p>VOTE: 7-0</p>


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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Charter Application Review Committee Recommendations – continued 	<p>charter application be approved. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for KIPP High School be approved.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee’s recommendation that the KIPP High School charter application be approved. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for New Vision Academy be denied.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee’s recommendation that the New Vision Academy charter application be denied. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for Nashville Lighthouse be denied.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee’s recommendation that the Nashville Lighthouse charter application be denied. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for Boys Prep be denied.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee’s recommendation that the Boys Prep charter application be denied. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for Athens of the South be denied.</p>	<p>VOTE: 7-0</p> <p>VOTE: 7-0</p> <p>VOTE: 6-0 (Mr. Kindall out of the room)</p> <p>VOTE: 6-0 (Mr. Kindall out of the room)</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Charter Application Review Committee Recommendations – continued 	<p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee’s recommendation that the Athens of the South charter application be denied. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for Nashville Academy of Science and Math be denied.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee’s recommendation that the Nashville Academy of Science and Math charter application be denied. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>The recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee is that the application for Target Academy be denied.</p> <p>Mr. North made the motion to approve the Charter School Review Committee’s recommendation that the Target Academy charter application be denied. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 6-0 (Mr. Kindall out of the room)</p> <p>VOTE: 7-0</p> <p>VOTE: 7-0</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Approval of 2012-2013 District Calendar 	<p>Mr. North moved to suspend the rule (Board Policy EE-14 District Calendar) and postpone the recommended approval of the 2012-2013 district calendar. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 7-0</p>
REPORTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Director’s Report 	<p>Dr. Register announced that there was damage caused by the storms to several schools. He thanked the Maintenance Department staff for their hard work to repair the schools.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legislation 	<p>Dr. Register said several pieces of legislation has passed that will affect the district. In particular, the Charter School legislation and the Professional Educators Conferencing Act of 2011. Dr. Register said the Administration is currently studying the legislation and will provide more information in the near future.</p>	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduation 	<p>Mr. North congratulated all the MNPS students, parents and staff during the graduation season.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget Hearing with Metro Council 	<p>Ms. Porter announced the Budget Hearing with Metro Council on May 25th at 4:15 p.m.</p>	

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• Employee Hearing	Ms. Porter announced the employee hearing to be held after the June 14 th Board meeting at 7:00 p.m.	
• Board Retreat	Ms. Porter announced the Board retreat will be held at the Martin Center on July 16 th at 9:00 a.m.	
• July Board Meeting	Ms. Porter announced that there will be only one Board meeting in July (July 12 th).	
WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
• Sales Tax Collections as of May 20, 2011		
• Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget Financial Report		
• Board Calendar Items		
• Adjournment	Ms. Simmons adjourned the meeting at 5:06 p.m.	
• Signatures	 <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>Chris M. Henson Board Secretary</div> <div>Gracie Porter Board Chair</div> <div>Date</div> </div>	