

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
Minutes
May 10, 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; Michael Hayes; Dr. Sharon Gentry; Ed Kindall; Cheryl D. Mayes; Anna Shepherd; Kay Simmons; Antwan Steele and Jhamia Poole, Student Board Members</p> <p>Ms. Porter called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pledge of Allegiance 	Led by Antwan Steele, student Board member.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Board Member Report 	Ms. Poole announced that T-MAC will take a college tour of the following schools: Tennessee State University, Belmont University, Fisk University, Trevecca Nazarene University, and Lipscomb University. On April 30 th members of T-MAC, the Director's Student Advisory Council, and Oasis Center participated on a Youth Panel during the MNPS Youth Safety Summit. The students discussed increasing community safety for students.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Memoriam – Sherry Collins 	Sherry Collins, 61, passed away on Friday, April 29, 2011. Ms. Collins worked at Antioch High School as the school registrar for the past four years. She worked in MNPS for 11 years. She was dedicated to her job and enjoyed working with students and their families. She always had a positive outlook and was a hard worker. Sherry was a devoted mother to her two children, Andy and Kami, and her two grandchildren. Her presence will be missed at Antioch High.	
AWARDS AND RECOGNITION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outgoing Student Board Member – Antwan Steele 	Mr. Ralph Thompson and Ms. Stephanie Davis presented Antwan Steele with a gift card in appreciation for his service as a student Board member. The Board and Dr. Register presented Mr. Steele with a laptop computer and a medal for his service as a student Board member for the years 2009-2011. Mr. Steele thanked MNPS for their support during his service.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customer Service Celebrates One-Millionth Customer 	Ms. Meredith Libbey announced that the Customer Service Center celebrated their one-millionth customer on April 29 th . She congratulated the Customer Service team for their accomplishment, and presented them with a certificate.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Healthier United States School Challenge Winners 	The following schools were honored for being selected as United States Healthier School Program Winners: DuPont-Hadley and Brick Church Middle Schools; Cockrill, Fall-Hamilton, and Hull-Jackson Elementary Schools.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2011 Outstanding Young Educator – Dr. Susan Kessler 	Ms. Porter and Dr. Register presented Dr. Kessler with a Certificate of Appreciation for receiving the 2011 Outstanding Young Educator Award.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employees with 30 and 40 Years of Service 	The Board honored the following employees with 30 years of service to MNPS: Lucia Ashworth, Mary Bassel, Kenneth Batey, David Belcher, Brenda Benefield, Steven Cagle, Doris Dark, Ava Diviney, Wesley Goad, Virginia	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employees with 30 and 40 Years of Service - continued 	Gollintz, Michael Graham, Frances Gregory, Patricia Jones, Janice Locke, Patricia Mangin, Helen McLaughlin, Karen Outlaw, Julia Parket, Clara Sales, Alice Sanford, Deborah L. Smith, Mary Z. Smith, Laura Snyder, Ronnie Sullivan, and Claudia Whitaker. The Board honored the following employees with 40 years of service to MNPS: Sue Anderson, Judith Beasley, Robert Belew, Mary Chasteen, Judy Doughty, Gayle Dye, Faye Finney, James Fuller, Reta Gardner, Emily Goff, and Sue Lamar.	
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tyler James Kimbrough – Student Coalition for Education 	Mr. Kimbrough spoke to the Board concerning the Student Coalition for Education Organization at Hillsboro High School. He asked the Board to support the organization.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shirelle Humphrey – Student Retention 	Ms. Humphrey addressed the Board concerning student retention. She asked the Board to assist her in approving her son to repeat the 7 th grade at Kennedy Middle School.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cameron Phillips – IB in the Hillsboro Cluster 	Ms. Phillips addressed the Board concerning IB in the Hillsboro Cluster. She asked the Board to consider making Hillsboro and Hunters Lane High Schools the first IB Magnet Schools in the District.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will Gormley – Issue of the Academies System 	Mr. Gormley addressed the Board concerning issues of the Academies System. Mr. Gormley asked the Board to make Hillsboro High School an IB Magnet School.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emma Kimbrough – Removal of Mary Catherine Bradshaw 	Ms. Kimbrough addressed the Board concerning the removal of Mary Catherine Bradshaw. She asked the Board to reconsider Ms. Bradshaw's transfer.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximilian Carter - IB in the Hillsboro Cluster 	Mr. Carter addressed the Board concerning IB in the Hillsboro Cluster. Mr. Carter asked the Board to consider making Hillsboro an IB Magnet High School.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carol Hagen – Hillsboro Visual Arts Technology Grant Sponsorship 	Ms. Hagen addressed the Board concerning Hillsboro Visual Arts Technology Grant Sponsorship.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taylor Crow – Eakin's IB Program Funding 	Ms. Crow addressed the Board on Eakin's IB Program Funding. She asked the Board to fund and support the Eakin IB program.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kay West - IB, the Academies, HHS and MNPS 	Ms. West addressed the Board on the IB program and Hillsboro High School. Ms. West asked the Board to ensure that the IB program is fully supported.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paula Jennings – Parent Involvement 	Ms. Jennings addressed the Board concerning Parent Involvement. Ms. Jennings asked the Board to consider the parents in District 8.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lynetra Dunn – Benefits of IB Curriculum for All Students 	Ms. Dunn addressed the Board concerning the benefits of the IB curriculum. She asked the Board to support the IB program and explained what the program has done for her child.	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ambre Dromgoole – Personal Benefits of IB 	Mr. Dromgoole addressed the Board concerning the personal benefits of the IB program. Mr. Dromgoole asked the Board to support the IB program.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robinson Regen - Future of Hillsboro High School IB Program 	Ms. Regen addressed the Board concerning the future of the Hillsboro High School IB Program. She asked the Board to listen to the community and students, and support the Hillsboro IB program.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kathleen Franklin – IB in the Hillsboro Cluster 	Ms. Franklin addressed the Board concerning IB in the Hillsboro Cluster. Ms. Franklin asked the Board to reconsider adding Career Academies at Hillsboro.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dale Plummer – Importance of IB in Hillsboro Cluster 	Mr. Plummer addressed the Board concerning the importance of the IB program in the Hillsboro Cluster. He asked the Board to support the IB program.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patrick Kennedy – IB in the Hillsboro Cluster 	Mr. Kennedy addressed the Board concerning IB in the Hillsboro Cluster. He asked the Board to evaluate the IB program.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mike Patton – Hillsboro High School 	Mr. Patton addressed the Board concerning Hillsboro High School and expressed his concern about Mary Catherine Bradshaw’s transfer.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eden Ramage - IB in the Hillsboro Cluster 	Ms. Ramage addressed the Board concerning the IB program in the Hillsboro Cluster. She asked the Board to support the IB program and also inform students of what to expect next year in IB at Hillsboro.	
GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACTIONS Consent Agenda 	<p>Mr. North read the following consent agenda items: IV-A-1-a-Approval of Minutes – 4/26/11 Regular Meeting; IV-A-1-b-Recommended Award of Contract for Chadwell Elementary School Additions and Renovations – TG Constructors, Inc. – MBOE 10-025; IV-A-1-c- Change Order #6 for Haywood Elementary School Additions – TG Constructors, Inc. – M-429; IV-A-1-d- Awarding of Bids and Contracts (1.) Annenberg Institute for School Reform at Brown University, (2.) Alphabest, (3.) Appleton Learning, (4.) Rocket Learning, (5.) Tutoring Unlimited; IV-A-1-e- Recommended Approval of the Career and Technical Education Application; IV-A-1-f- Recommended Approval of Career and Technical Education Special Courses; IV-A-1- g- Recommended Approval of the FY12 Local Consolidated Application for Federal Funding; IV-A-1-h- Recommended Approval of 2010-11 Operating Budget Amendment #2; IV-A-1-i- Recommended Approval of East End Prep Lease (Dalewood); IV-A-1-j-Administrative Retirement Committee (ARC) Recommendation to Invest Plan Assets with the Metropolitan Employee Benefit System; IV-A-1-k- Recommended Approval of Requests for Compulsory Attendance Waiver; IV-A-1-l- Recommended Approval of Tenure.</p> <p>Ms. Shepherd made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr.</p>	

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	Hayes seconded.	VOTE: 9-0 - Unanimous
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended Approval of the Naming of Cane Ridge Elementary School 	<p>Ms. Mayes stated that Cane Ridge Elementary School is scheduled to open August 2012. The new school will be on more than 11 acres of land located in District 2 in Antioch. The school is designed to accommodate 800 students for Pre-K to fourth grade. Ms. Mayes made the recommendation to name the new school Cane Ridge Elementary School.</p> <p>Mr. Hayes made a motion to name the new elementary school Cane Ridge Elementary School. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 9-0 - Unanimous</p>
REPORTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Director's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confucius Institute Chinese Bridge Program 	<p>Mr. Steele announced the students selected from across the country for the Confucius Institute Chinese Bridge Program. The Confucius Institute is a nonprofit public institute with the goal of promoting Chinese language and culture, and supporting local Chinese teaching internationally through Confucius Institutes around the world. Out of 35 students selected for the program from across the country, 10 are from the Nashville area. Of the 10, seven are MNPS students. Five of the seven students are from Hillsboro. The Hillsboro students are as follows: Jared Akers, 10th grade – Academy of International Business; Bernard Ray, 10th grade – Academy of International Business; Louisa Silverman, 12th grade - International Baccalaureate program, Justin Wilson, 12th grade, and Jessica Fuller, 12th grade. The Nashville School of the Arts students are Taylor Mattingly and Marvin Keith.</p>	


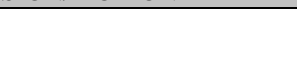
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Chairman's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Youth Safety Summit 	<p>Ms. Mayes stated that the Youth Safety Summit was held April 30th at the Martin Professional Development Center and was very successful. One of the points taken from the event was that we must find jobs for students. Ms. Shepherd stated that she received positive feedback from the event, and looks forward to planning next year's event. Dr. Brannon thanked Ms. Mayes and Ms. Shepherd for their hard work on the Summit. Dr. Gentry said the comments made by the Youth Panel were very surprising, and hopes that the student comments would be discussed and turned into action steps. Ms. Simmons stated that she was encouraged by the amount of community support and looks forward to more community, student, and parent support next year. Mr. Hayes said he enjoyed the Summit and hopes to employ students for summer employment. Mr. Kindall said he also enjoyed the Summit, especially the comments made by the Youth Panel. He hopes that the information gained will be used to plan for next year's event and also manifested into action steps. Mr. North said the Summit was very informative, but the success will be determined by what steps we take with the feedback received during the event. Dr. Register said he agreed with Dr. Gentry's and Mr. North's statements, and hopes to develop a report based upon feedback from the Summit in order to create action steps. Ms. Porter thanked Ms. Mayes and Ms. Shepherd for their hard work and stated that she looked forward to the next event.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leadership Study Mission 	<p>Ms. Porter stated that she, Ms. Mayes, Dr. Brannon, Dr. Register, Ms. Shepherd, and Mr. Hayes attended the Leadership Study Mission in Toronto, Canada. Each Board member agreed that the acceptance and celebration of diversity in the city was apparent, and hopes are that MNPS and Nashville will work further on its diversity plan. Dr. Register thanked the Nashville Alliance for Public Education for donating funds for the Leadership Study Mission and also thanked Michael Hayes for underwriting his own travel costs.</p>	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Assignment Task Force Meeting 	<p>Mr. North announced that the Student Assignment Task Force will meet on May 11, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Value-Added Achievement Awards 	<p>Mr. North announced that he and Ms. Porter attended the Value-Added Achievement Awards. Principals from across the state were honored and two MNPS principals were honored. Mr. Hubble, principal of Meigs Middle School and Ms. Strickland, principal of Stanford Montessori, were both honored.</p>	

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• Notice of Motion	Ms. Shepherd made the following statement: I made notice at the April 26 th regular School Board Meeting that I would bring a motion to renew Dr. Register's Contract at the May 10 th meeting. But according to TCA 49-2-203 (C), "No Board shall extend the contract of the Director of Schools without giving notice of intent to do so at least 15 calendar days prior to the scheduled meeting at which action will be taken." As a result, last week a media advisory was distributed stating that the Board will vote on a new contract for Dr. Register at the Board meeting on May 24, 2011, thereby satisfying state law.	
• Governor Haslam and First Lady Haslam visit Cane Ridge High School	Ms. Mayes announced that Governor Haslam and First Lady Haslam visited Cane Ridge High School, and also shared his knowledge of World History to a class in honor of Teach for America Week.	
• Country Music Marathon	Ms. Porter congratulated Mr. Chris Henson for completing the Country Music Marathon.	
• CNN Documentary	Ms. Porter asked the Board to watch "Don't Fail Me: Education in America," a CNN documentary that was filmed partially at Stratford High School, which will air Sunday, May 15 th , at 7:00 p.m. An encore presentation will be shown on Saturday, May 21 st , at 7:00 p.m. The Tennessee segment features CNN reporter Soledad O'Brien, Governor Phil Bredesen, Stratford High Principal Michael Steele, Stratford High teacher Brian Harrell, Associate Director of the Center for Science Outreach at Vanderbilt University Dr. Jennifer Ufnar, and Director of the Center for Science Outreach and Professor of Pathology at Vanderbilt University Dr. Virginia Shepherd.	
• Homework Hotline	Ms. Porter thanked Homework Hotline for their support to MNPS.	
• Salute to Excellence	Ms. Porter announced that Monday, May 16 th , the Salute to Excellence begins at 5:30 p.m. and there will be a reception at 4:30 p.m. This year we are dedicating the full night to student excellence.	
• May 24 th Board Meeting	Ms. Porter announced that on Tuesday, May 24 th , the Board meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. to allow time for Board members and Dr. Register to attend graduation ceremonies.	
• Metro Council Budget Hearing	Ms. Porter announced Wednesday, May 25 th at 4:15 p.m., the Board will have its Budget Hearing with Metro Council	
WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
• Board Calendar Items		
• Adjournment	Ms. Simmons adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.	

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• Signatures	 Chris M. Henson Board Secretary	 Gracie Porter Board Chair