

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Minutes
January 26, 2016

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
• Roll Call	Present: Dr. Jo Ann Brannon Amy Frogge Tyese Hunter Dr. Sharon Gentry, Chair Elissa Kim, Mary Pierce Will Pinkston Anna Shepherd, Vice-Chair Jill Speering Chris Henson, Interim Director of Schools Dr. Gentry called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.	
• Pledge of Allegiance	Led by Dr. Johnny Crow, Tennessee Department of Education.	
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS		
• School Board Appreciation Week	Mr. Henson recognized the Board in honor of School Board Appreciation Week.	
• Misty Ayres-Miranda - Milken Educator Award	The Board and Mr. Henson recognized Ms. Ayers-Miranda for receiving the Milken Educator Award.	
• LEED Projects	Mr. Murdock presented the MNPS LEED Projects to the Board.	
AND THE GOOD NEWS IS...		
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GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
• Consent Agenda	Ms. Shepherd read the following consent agenda: IV-A-1-a- Approval of Minutes – 08/11/2015 – Regular Meeting; IV-A-1-b- Recommended Award of Contract for Southeast Early Learning Center Additions and Renovations – Dowdle Construction Group, LLC; IV-A-1-c- Recommended Approval of Change Order #1 for Hume-Fogg Magnet High School HVAC Renovations – Dillingham & Smith Mechanical and Sheet Metal Contractors; IV-A-1-d- Recommended Approval of Request #6 for LEED Consultation at Various Schools (Hume-Fogg Magnet High School Renovations) – Hastings Architecture Associates, LLC; IV-A-1-e- Recommended Approval of Request #7 for LEED Consultation at Various Schools (Martin Luther King, Jr. Magnet High School Additions and Renovations) – Hastings Architecture Associates, LLC; IV-A-1-f-	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consent Agenda - continued 	<p>Recommended Approval of Request #8 for LEED Consultation at Various Schools (Norman Binkley Elementary School Additions) – Hastings Architecture Associates, LLC; IV-A-1-g- Recommended Approval of Request #2 for Projects at Various Schools (Whites Creek High School Track Upgrade) – Bomar Construction Corporation; IV-A-1-h- Awarding of Purchases and Contracts (1) Babs Freeman-Loftis, (2) CDW-G, (3) Dell Marketing LP, (4) Dell Marketing LP, (5) Kerr Brothers and Associates, Inc., (6) Lu Inc., (7) Nancy Hepler, (8) Unico Technology.</p> <p>Ms. Shepherd made a motion to approve the consent agenda as read. Ms. Speering seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 9-0 - Unanimous</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital Improvement Budget - Budget, Finance, and Capital Needs Committee 	<p>Ms. Pierce made a motion to approve the Capital Improvement Budget. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p>	<p>VOTE: 9-0 - Unanimous</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KIPP Academy Nashville Charter Renewal 	<p>Dr. Coverstone gave the Board an overview of the KIPP Academy Nashville Charter Renewal process.</p> <p>Dr. Brannon made a motion to approve the KIPP Academy Nashville Charter Renewal. Ms. Shepherd seconded.</p> <p>Mr. Pinkston said that he did not believe the Board received adequate visibility in the renewal process, therefore he would abstain from the vote. Ms. Frogge said, she would have preferred to review the renewal during the charter school application process so that budget implications could be considered. Dr. Coverstone said, the law requires that the Board approve the renewal during certain time frame. Ms. Speering said the district needed to consider whether it's in the business of educating students or in the education business. Ms. Pierce commended KIPP for their work within MNPS. Ms. Kim said, KIPP is clearly in the business of educating students, their track record of excellence exemplifies that fact. Dr. Brannon said, she reviewed the renewal application and believes that KIPP meets the requirements. She stated that she will be voting in favor of the renewal. Mr. Pinkston said, KIPP has more flexibility in how their school is run as compared to regular schools, therefore their results are better.</p>	<p>VOTE: 6-1-2 - Yes – Hunter, Brannon, Kim, Gentry, Shepherd, Pierce, No – Frogge, Abstain – Pinkston, Speering</p>

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REPORTS		
A. Director's Report 1. Priority Schools Update	Dr. Gunn presented a Priority Schools Update to the Board.	
B. Committee Reports		
1. Budget, Finance and Capital Needs	Ms. Pierce stated that the Board approved the Capital Improvement Budget and would begin discussing the Operating Budget in the upcoming weeks.	
2. Director Evaluation	Mr. Pinkston stated that the Board will be working with the Council of the Great City Schools to discuss and revise Policy Governance, Board Dashboard and Director Evaluation.	
3. Announcements		
• Board Retreat	Dr. Gentry thanked the Board for their participation in the Board Retreat.	
• Antioch Community Meeting	Ms. Hunter announced that she will be having a Community Meeting in Antioch on February 11 th .	
• Council of the Great City Schools	Dr. Brannon announced that the Council of the Great City Schools launched a website to support their Males of Color initiative (www.malesofcolor.org).	
• Dan Mills Elementary	Ms. Speering announced that she attended a Community Meeting at Dan Mills Elementary School. She also stated that the school recently received their re-accreditation from Advanced Ed.	
• Food Boxes	Ms. Speering and Ms. Shepherd both thanked Dr. Majors, the staff, and community for working to get food boxes to students during the recent winter storm.	
• American Idol	Ms. Speering congratulated Amelia Eisenhower and Tristan McIntosh, both students from the Nashville School of the Arts, for being invited to participate on American Idol.	
• Teaching and Learning Committee	Ms. Speering announced that a Teaching and Learning Committee meeting will be held on January 28 th at 11:30 a.m. Topic: Road to Success for Third Grade Readers.	
• City-wide Youth Voter Registration Drive	Mr. Pinkston thanked Congressman Jim Cooper and staff for organizing a City-wide Youth Voter Registration Drive in MNPS high schools.	
• Hillsboro High School	Ms. Pierce announced that she will be at Hillsboro High School on January 28 th for the City-wide Youth Voter Drive.	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter Storm 	Ms. Shepherd thanked the Mayor's Office and the Office of Emergency Management for opening up their doors for the homeless during the winter storm.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FAFSA night at McGavock High School 	Ms. Shepherd thanked Deloitte for hosting a FAFSA night at McGavock High School on January 12 th . To date, over 192 students have received assistance with their FAFSA forms.	
WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sales Tax Collections as of January 20, 2016 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjournment 	Ms. Frogge adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signatures 	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-top: 1px solid black; padding-top: 5px;"> <div>Chris M. Henson Board Secretary</div> <div>Sharon Dixon Gentry Board Chair</div> <div>Date</div> </div>	