

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING –

September 26, 2023

Members Present: Rachael Anne Elrod, Chair, Freda Player, Vice-chair, Erin O'Hara Block, Abigail Tylor, Christiane Buggs, Cheryl Mayes, and Sharon Gentry, Berthena Nabaa-Mckinney and Emily Masters

Members Absent: Sharon Gentry

Student Members Present: Alayna Mitchell and Christine Tran

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m.

CONVENE AND ACTION

- A. Call to Order – Rachael Anne Elrod called the meeting to order.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Alayna Mitchell, Student Board Member.
- C. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to defer 4.251 Magnet Schools and accept the agenda as amended.

By Rachael Anne Elrod, seconded Erin O'Hara Block

Vote: 8-0 Unanimous

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A. The Board and Dr. Battle recognized Barbara Talley for her service at Donelson Middle School.
- B. The Board and Dr. Battle recognized Antioch and Maplewood High Schools for their Ed Equity Labs.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. Dr. Battle and staff presented a report on Experiential Learning for Students in Grades K through 8.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Paula Pendergrass – Addressed the Board concerning The Professional Educators Collaborative Process.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- a. Minutes – 09.12.2023 – Regular Meeting
- b. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts
 - 1. A-Z Office Resource, Inc.
 - 2. American Constructors, Inc.
 - 3. Hastings Architecture, LLC
 - 4. Institutional Wholesale Company, Inc.
 - 5. Nashville State Community College (NSCC)
 - 6. Orion Building Corporation
 - 7. Public Consulting Group, LLC
 - 8. Uline, Inc.
 - 9. Vanderbilt University
- c. Board Policies: 1.300 Board Committees, 1.802 Section 504 and ADA Grievance Procedures, ~~4.251 Magnet Schools~~
- d. ESSER 3
- e. Nomination of Hastings Architecture for the Tennessee School Board Association (TSBA) School of the Year Award for Architectural Design for the design of the new James Lawson High School.
- f. Nomination of Goodwyn, Mills, Cawood for the Tennessee School Board Association (TSBA) School of the Year Award for Architectural Design for the design of the replacement school for Goodlettsville Elementary School.

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

By Christiane Buggs, seconded Berthena Nabaa-Mckinney

Vote: 8-0 Unanimous

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Berthena Nabaa-Mckinney - Announced that she visited Andrew Jackson Elementary. She also gave a brief update on the Director's Evaluation.
- B. Emily Masters – Gave a brief Governance Committee update.
- C. Christiane Buggs – Announced that the Nashville Public Education Hall of Fame event would be held September 27th. She also announced the "Sunday's in the Park" would be held at Warner Park in October. She also stated that she would give Alignment Nashville and Parks Board committee updates in October.

- D. Cheryl Mayes – Congratulations to the Antioch High School Varsity Football Team for their game wins. She announced that she attended The TSBA Fall District Meeting and encouraged parents to attend the Upcoming magnet school meetings.
- E. Erin O’Hara Block – Announced that District-wide Parent Advisory met and she gave a brief update on the meeting. She offered condolences to former Board member Gini Pupo-Walker in the passing of her father.
- F. Abigail Tylor – Announced that Bellevue Middle School will hold their homecoming on September 29th.
- G. Rachael Anne Elrod – Announced that she attended the Overton Cluster Parent Advisory Meeting. She also announced that she would hold office hours on October 21st.
- H. Alayna Mitchell – Announced upcoming events at Hillsboro High School.
- I. Christine Tran – Announced upcoming events at James Lawson High School.

WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

Ms. Elrod adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.



Chris M. Henson
Board Secretary

Rachael Anne Elrod
Board Chair

Date