

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING –

August 22, 2023

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

Members Absent: Berthena Nabaa-Mckinney and Emily Masters

Student Board Members: Alayna Mitchell

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 adopt the agenda as printed.

By Sharon Gentry, seconded Christiane Buggs

Vote: 7-0 Unanimous

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A. Proclamation Honoring Mayor John Cooper

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. Dr. Battle and staff presented a report on TN Ready.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Honey Hereth – Addressed the Board concerning the Barnes & Noble Booksellers contract and support staff raises.
- B. Donna Clay – Addressed the Board concerning the Amazon Capital Services contract and support staff raises.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

a. Minutes – 08.08.2023 – Regular Meeting

b. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts

- 1. Amazon Capital Services, Inc.**
- 2. Barnes & Noble Booksellers**
- 3. CDW Government, LLC (CDW-G)**
- 4. EnSafe, Inc.**
- 5. HMK Architects, PLLC**
- 6. RCM Technologies (USA), Inc. dba RCM Health Care Services**
- 7. School Health Corporation**
- 8. Solar Tint**
- 9. Stellar Therapy Services, LLC**
- 10. The Stepping Stones Group, LLC**
- 11. Zearn, Inc..**

The Board adopted the consent agenda with no objections.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Christiane Buggs – Announced that PENCIL is hosting the Annual Breakfast on August 24th at 7am at Belmont University.
- B. Abigail Tylor – Announced that the Board Retreat will be held August 29th from 9am – noon in the Board Room.
- C. Cheryl Mayes – Thanked the community for attending the Post Office Dedication in honor of former Senator Thelma Harper.
- D. Sharon Gentry – Announced that Habitat Humanity and other donors have committed to donate over \$1 million to revamp the Parkwood Community baseball field.
- E. Erin O'Hara Block – Announced that the TN Department of Education is hosting a meeting on the Accountability Framework, September 6th at the Ellington Agriculture Center.
- F. Rachael Anne Elrod – Announced that the Board Retreat would be held August 29th from 9 am – 12 pm and the October 10th Board Meeting will be canceled due to Fall Break. She also announced that the new student board member will be sworn in prior to the next meeting on September 12th.

Ms. Elrod adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.



Chris M. Henson
Board Secretary

Rachael Anne Elrod
Board Chair

Date