



AGENDA

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

2601 Bransford Avenue, Nashville, TN 37204

Regular Meeting – January 13, 2026 – 5:00 p.m.

Freda Player, Chair

I. CONVENE and ACTION

- A. Call to Order
- B. Establish Quorum
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Adoption of Agenda

II. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A. Andre Adams, Antioch High School – TSSAA Mr. Football Class 6A Finalist
- B. National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) 2025 Demonstration District

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. School Start Time Update:
Core Tenets: Re-envision central office as a support hub. Empower and equip leaders at all levels.
Create and support engaging, rigorous, and personalized learning experiences for all students.
Identify and eliminate inequities
- B. Advanced Placement (AP) at MNPS:
Core Tenet: Create and Support Engaging, Rigorous, and Personalized Learning Experiences for All Students
- C. MNPS ReImaginED Update:
Core Tenets: Re-envision central office as a support hub. Empower and equip leaders at all levels.
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IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Board will hear from those persons who have requested to appear at this Board meeting. In the interest of time, speakers are requested to limit remarks to two minutes or less. Comments will be timed.

V. GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- A. Actions
 - 1. Consent
 - a. Minutes – 12/9/2025– Regular Meeting
 - b. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts
 - 1. AVID Center
 - 2. Belmont University
 - 3. Unico Technology, LLC (authorized reseller under Carahsoft Technology Corporation)
 - 4. Xcalibur Inc.

VI. BOARD REPORTS

A. Budget and Finance Committee

VII. STUDENT BOARD REPORTS

VIII. WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

A. Sales Tax Collections as of December 20, 2025

IX. ADJOURNMENT

If any accommodations are needed for individuals with disabilities who wish to be present at this meeting, please submit the accommodation through hubNashville at <https://nashville.gov/hub-ADA-boards> or by calling (615) 862-5200 Requests should be made soon as possible, but 72 hours prior to the scheduled is recommended.

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING –

December 9, 2025

Members Present: Freda Player – Chair, Berthena Nabaa-McKinney – Vice-chair, Rachael Anne Elrod, Erin O’Hara Block, Cheryl Mayes, TK Fayne, Abigail Tylor, Robert Taylor, Rachael Anne Elrod and Zach Young

Student Members: Ava Davash

Student Members Absent: Hannah Nguyen

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

CONVENE AND ACTION

- A. Call to Order – Freda Player called the meeting to order.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Principal Clint Wilson.
- C. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to agenda to adopt agenda as listed

By Abigail Tylor, seconded Berthena Nabaa-McKinney

Vote: 9-0 (unanimous)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- A. Tennessee Principals Association Awards: DeeAnne Miree, Fred Hewitt, Kevin Armstrong – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the principals.
- B. Dee Hammonds, Warner Arts Magnet Elementary School – Queen Smith Award for Commitment to Urban Public Education - The Board and Dr. Battle recognized Dee Hammonds.
- C. Isaac Litton Middle School – 2025 Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence Lighthouse Award – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the school.
- D. TSSAA A.F. Bridges Awards: Glenclyff High School; Coach Rodney Thweatt, Hillsboro High School – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized Coach Thweatt.
- E. Martin Luther King Jr. High School Boys’ Cross-Country Team – TSSAA State Champions - The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the cross country team.

- F. Pearl-Cohn High School, Isaiah T. Creswell Middle School of the Arts, MNPS Department of Visual and Performing Arts, and K&G Superstores (Ronald Gooch)– CMA Awards Red Carpet Interviews Team – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the students and Mr. Gooch.
- G. Pearl-Cohn Football Team – Class 4A BlueCross Bowl State Championship Game – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the football team.
- H. Bridgestone – Grant to Support Adaptive Sports – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized Bridgestone.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

- A. Start Times Study Update:
Core Tenets: Re-envision central office as a support hub. Empower and equip leaders at all levels. Create and support engaging, rigorous, and personalized learning experiences for all students. Identify and eliminate inequities
- B. MNPS ReImaginED Update:
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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Suzy Yost – Addressed the Board concerning overcrowding at Shayne Elementary School.
- B. Tanaka Vercher – Addressed the Board concerning the Knowledge Academy Charter Renewal Application.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Berthena Nabaa-McKinney gave a brief Budget and Finance Committee update.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

A. Actions

1. Consent

- a. **Minutes – 11/10/2025– Regular Meeting**
- b. **Awarding of Purchases and Contracts**
 - 1. ACCESS Data Network Solutions, Inc**
 - 2. Advanced Mechanical Contractors, Inc**

- 3. Bauer Askew Architecture, PLLC**
 - 4. Belmont University**
 - 5. Brentwood Services Administrator, Inc**
 - 6. Case Restoration Company dba First Onsite Property Restoration**
 - 7. Christian Green**
 - 8. Cumberland International Trucks Inc.**
 - 9. Envirowerks LLC**
 - 10. Family & Children's Service**
 - 11. Fleet Charge Multi Service Technology Solutions Inc.**
 - 12. Henderick Inc**
 - 13. Jairo E. Prado dba Prado Studio**
 - 14. Jamal Jenkins dba Woke 3 LLC**
 - 15. Levy Industrial Contractors, Inc.**
 - 16. Martha O'Bryan Center**
 - 17. Maverick Elevator Service LLC**
 - 18. Mid-South Bus Center**
 - 19. Mitsubishi Electric Elevators & Escalators**
 - 20. Oasis Center Inc**
 - 21. PENCIL Foundation**
 - 22. Pratiksha Muir dba P Muir Art**
 - 23. S&L Integrated Systems LLC**
 - 24. Serva LLC**
 - 25. SSDC Services Corp**
 - 26. Timely Schools, LLC**
 - 27. TK Elevator Corporation**
 - 28. US Foods dba Institutional Wholesale Company, Inc.**
 - 29. Vanderbilt University**
 - 30. Waste Connections of Tennessee Inc. dba Triune Residuals Management**
- c. 2026-2027 Academic Calendar**
 - d. FY 25/26 Amended Budget**
 - e. DiMarco v. Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County (Claim No. C-46070)**

**Motion to approve the consent agenda.
By Rachael Anne Elrod, seconded Zach Young
Vote: 9-0 (unanimous)**

2. Charter Renewal Applications

**Motion to renew the Charter for KIPP Academy
Nashville
By Robert Taylor, seconded Zach Young
Vote: 9-0 (unanimous)**

**Motion to deny the Knowledge Academy at the
Crossings Charter Renewal in accordance with quality
charter authorizing standard 5c and state law and
based on the schools overall rating of does not meet
standard in academic success and partially meets
standard in operational ability and financial help and
future plans and projections and based upon the
information provided by the charter renewal committee.
By Cheryl Mayes, seconded Abigail Tylor
Vote: 9-0 (unanimous)**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Freda Player announced that the next Board Meeting will be held
January 13th.

Freda Player adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

David G. Sevier

David G. Sevier
Board Secretary

Freda Player
Board Chair

Date

GOVERNANCE ISSUES – ACTIONS – CONSENT

A.1.b.(1)

VENDOR:	AVID Center
SERVICE/GOODS (SOW):	Amendment #1 increases the contract value. The contract is for the AVID College and Career Readiness System.
SOURCING METHOD:	Amendment of a Previously Board Approved Contract
TERM:	January 14, 2026 through June 30, 2027
FOR WHOM:	MNPS Students
COMPENSATION:	This amendment increases the contract value by \$500,000. Total compensation for this contract is not to exceed \$2,000,000. Total compensation is based on an estimated yearly amount of \$500,000.
OVERSIGHT:	College & Career Readiness
EVALUATION:	Based on the quality and the timeliness of the goods and services provided.
MBPE CONTRACT NUMBER:	7533592
SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Operating Budget

GOVERNANCE ISSUES – ACTIONS – CONSENT

A.1.b.(2)

VENDOR:	Belmont University
SERVICE/GOODS (SOW):	For the provision of a summer residential college experience for high school students, designed to support college readiness through on-campus living, enrollment in academic coursework, and the opportunity to earn high school credit.
SOURCING METHOD:	Sole Source
TERM:	January 14, 2026 through January 13, 2031
FOR WHOM:	MNPS High School Students
COMPENSATION:	Contractor will be compensated in accordance with Section 3.1 of the contract. Total compensation for this contract is not to exceed \$250,000. Total compensation is based on an estimated yearly amount of \$50,000.
OVERSIGHT:	School Counseling and Advising
EVALUATION:	Based on student credits earned and post-secondary applications.
MBPE CONTRACT NUMBER:	TBD
SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Operating Budget

GOVERNANCE ISSUES – ACTIONS – CONSENT

A.1.b.(3)

VENDOR:	Unico Technology, LLC (authorized reseller under Carahsoft Technology Corporation)
SERVICE/GOODS (SOW):	Amendment #1 increases the contract value. The contract is for the provision of educational software solutions and services including, but not limited to, the following: • Network switching hardware and annual support • Firewall hardware and annual support • Annual anti-virus software subscriptions • Network security hardware and annual support
SOURCING METHOD:	Amendment of a Previously Board Approved Contract
TERM:	January 14, 2026 through December 31, 2027
FOR WHOM:	All MNPS Students and Staff
COMPENSATION:	This amendment increases the contract value by \$450,000. Total compensation for this contract is not to exceed \$2,950,000. Total compensation is based on an estimated yearly amount of \$150,000.
OVERSIGHT:	Technology Services
EVALUATION:	Based on the operation of units and performance to identify and control network traffic that contains security risks from entering the district.
MBPE CONTRACT NUMBER:	7618421
SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Operating Budget and Capital Funds

GOVERNANCE ISSUES – ACTIONS – CONSENT

A.1.b.(4)

VENDOR:	Xcalibur Inc.
SERVICE/GOODS (SOW):	Amendment #1 extends the contract term, increases the contract value, updates Attachment A (Rev1), updates the Criminal Background Check clause, and incorporates the Boycott of Israel Act into the contract. The contract is for Xcalibur Inc. to serve as a partner by providing services to MNPS GEAR UP students and families as identified in the contract.
SOURCING METHOD:	Amendment of a Previously Board Approved Contract
TERM:	January 14, 2026 through September 30, 2026
FOR WHOM:	MNPS GEAR UP Students and Families
COMPENSATION:	This amendment increases the contract value by \$33,000. Total compensation for this contract is not to exceed \$238,000. Total compensation is based on an estimated yearly amount of \$33,000.
OVERSIGHT:	College and Career Readiness
EVALUATION:	Based on adherence to the scope of work and the quality of services provided.
MBPE CONTRACT NUMBER:	10281
SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Federal Funds – GEAR UP

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Sales Tax Collections
As of December 20, 2025

General Purpose Fund

MONTH	2025-2026 Projection	TOTAL 2025-2026 COLLECTIONS	\$ Change For Month - FY26 Projection	% Change For Month - FY26 Projection	% Increase / Decrease Year- To-Date
September	\$25,871,851.93	\$27,136,447.38	\$1,264,595.45	4.89%	4.89%
October	34,565,123.01	33,617,925.55	(947,197.46)	-2.74%	0.53%
November	33,257,055.89	34,702,025.51	1,444,969.62	4.34%	1.88%
December	36,567,057.00	37,064,952.21	497,895.21	1.36%	1.74%
January	33,919,051.51				
February	38,519,191.06				
March	31,256,104.52				
April	29,544,337.28				
May	35,416,945.19				
June	35,731,504.12				
July	36,402,164.71				
August	36,620,713.78				
TOTAL	\$407,671,100.00	\$132,521,350.65	\$2,260,262.82		1.74%

Debt Service Fund

MONTH	2025-2026 Projection	TOTAL 2025-2026 COLLECTIONS	\$ Change For Month - FY26 Projection	% Change For Month - FY26 Projection	% Increase / Decrease Year- To-Date
September	\$3,825,655.64	\$4,012,638.15	\$186,982.51	4.89%	4.89%
October	5,110,936.98	4,971,048.78	(139,888.20)	-2.74%	0.53%
November	4,917,701.45	5,131,353.55	213,652.10	4.34%	1.88%
December	5,407,149.37	5,480,757.14	73,607.77	1.36%	1.74%
January	5,015,590.35				
February	5,695,810.30				
March	4,621,821.93				
April	4,368,703.91				
May	5,237,083.02				
June	5,283,596.66				
July	5,382,766.85				
August	5,415,083.56				
TOTAL	\$60,281,900.00	\$19,595,797.62	\$334,354.19		1.74%