

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – January 13, 2026

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 (left at 7:45 p.m.) and Zach Young

Student Members: Ava Davash and 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 Roger Dimi?.
- C. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to agenda to adopt agenda as listed

By Cheryl Mayes, seconded T.K. Fayne

Vote: 9-0 (unanimous)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- A. Andre Adams, Antioch High School – TSSAA Mr. Football Class 6A Finalist – The Board and Dr. Battled congratulated Andre Adams.
- B. National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) 2025 Demonstration District – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the educators.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

- A. Dr. Battle and staff gave reports on the following items: 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. Advanced Placement (AP) at MNPS:Core Tenet: Create and Support Engaging, Rigorous, and Personalized Learning Experiences for All Students. MNPS ReImaginED 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.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Vivian Wilhoite – Addressed the Board concerning Delta Sigma Theta Social Action within the community and education.

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.**

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

By Zach Young, seconded Berthena Nabaa-McKinney

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

- A. Sales Tax Collections as of December 20, 2025

Freda Player adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

David G. Sevier

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Board Secretary

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Board Chair

Date