METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – October 27, 2026

Members Present: Chair Dr. Berthena Nabaa-McKinney, Vice-chair Erin O'Hara Block, Cheryl Mayes, Zach Young, TK Fayne, Abigail Tylor, Freda Player and Robert Taylor

Members Absent: Rachael Anne Elrod

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

CONVENE AND ACTION

A. Call to Order – Dr. Berthena Nabaa-McKinney called the meeting to order.
B. Pledge of Allegiance – Dr. Vaster, Nashville Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta.
C. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the consent agenda.
By Erin O'hara Block, seconded Zach Young
Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Graduate to Vote Initiative – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the Initiative.
B. Gateway Elementary and Madison Middle – International Baccalaureate Designation – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the school.
C. CMA Foundation Music Teachers of Excellence - The Board and Dr. recognized the teachers.
D. Michael Brooks, Stratford STEM Magnet High School - Outstanding Reader – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the teacher.
E. TSSAA Unified Flag Football State Champions and Runners-Up: John Overton High School and McGavock High School – The Board and Dr. Battle recognized the students.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Dr. Battle and staff presented a Scholars Portfolio Update: Core Tenets: 1. Re-envision central office as a support hub; 2. Empower and equip leaders at all levels; 3. Create and Support Engaging, Rigorous, and Personalized Learning Experiences for All Students; 4. Identify and Eliminate Inequities.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Brenna Krause – She addressed the Board concerning Dodson elementary.
B. Monica Flores-Ruiz - She addressed the Board concerning Dodson elementary.
C. Charlene Culbertson – She addressed the Board concerning district concerns.
D. Lilith Pipkin – She addressed the Board concerning district concerns.
E. Chris Pipkin – He addressed the Board concerning district concerns
F. Todd Isaacs – He addressed the Board concerning district solutions.
G. Kate Berg – She addressed the Board concerning Glencliff Elementary.
H. Amelia Cato – She addressed the Board concerning district concerns.
I. Samira Hardcastle – She addressed the Board concerning district concerns.

BOARD REPORTS

A. Ethics Committee – Erin O'Hara Block gave a brief committee report.
B. Director Evaluation Committee - Erin O'Hara Block gave a brief committee report.
C. Board Committee Assignments – Dr. Berthena Nabaa-McKinney reported that the updated committee assignments had been posted on the website.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

A. Actions

1. Consent

a. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts

1. **Affiliated Engineers, Inc.**
2. **Anchor Project Group, LLC**
3. **Bonitz Inc. dba Bonitz Flooring Group**
4. **Cigna Health & Life Insurance Co.**
5. **College Board**
6. **Davis Supply dba JohnStone**
7. **Donna Culver dba Culver Productions**
8. **Eads CX**
9. **GoSchoolBox Inc. dba Evress**
10. **Jacobs Project Management Co.**
11. **KEV Group, Inc.**
12. **ManUp Teacher Fellowship**
13. **Mercedes-Benz of Nashville**
14. **Moreland University**
15. **Nashville Coaching Coalition**
16. **Nashville Roof Consultants**
17. **Nashville Teacher Residency**
18. **Oasis Center**
19. **REA Controls, Inc.**
20. **Relay Graduate School of Education**
21. **Scoot Education**
22. **Teach for America Tennessee**
23. **The Stepping Stones Group LLC**
24. **USI Consulting Group, Inc**

b. Tennessee Department of Transportation v. Metropolitan Government of Nashville & Davidson County (Claim No. C-46444)

c. Social Studies Instructional Materials Adoption Committees

Motion to approve the consent agenda.
By Zach Young, seconded Cheryl Mayes,
Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD

A. Sales Tax Collections as of October 20, 2026
B. State Required Threat Reporting School Year 26-27

Dr. Berthena Nabaa-McKinney adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

David G. Sevier

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Board Secretary	Board Chair