### Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools

**Board of Education**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
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| **Roll Call** | Present: Dr. Jo Ann Brannon  
Amy Frogge  
Tyese Hunter  
Dr. Sharon Gentry, Chair  
Elissa Kim  
Mary Pierce  
Will Pinkston  
Anna Shepherd - Vice-Chair  
Jill Speering  
Chris Henson, Interim Director of Schools | |
| **Pledge of Allegiance** | Led by Fred Carr, Chief Operating Officer. | |
| **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS** | | |
| Dr. Tammy Lipsey – TN Department of Education’s Early Literacy Council | The Board and Mr. Henson recognized Dr. Lipsey for being appointed to serve on the TN Department of Education’s Early Literacy Council. | |
| **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** | | |
| Chris Moth – Fairpathways.com: A conversation for stronger zoned schools and pathways | Mr. Moth addressed the Board concerning creating stronger zoned schools and pathways. He asked the Board to help spread the word about Fairpathways.com. | |
| Thomas Weber – Tusculum/Valor | Mr. Weber addressed the Board concerning Tusculum Elementary School and Valor Academy. He asked the Board to address the building concerns at Tusculum. | |
| **GOVERNANCE ISSUES** | | |
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Ms. Shepherd made the motion to approve the consent agenda as read. Dr. Brannon seconded.

**REPORTS**

A. Director’s Report  
   1. Pre-K Update  
Dr. Garcia, Ms. Eckman, and other staff presented a Pre-K update to the Board.
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<td>2. Transportation Update</td>
<td>Mr. Carr addressed the Board concerning the bus driver shortages.</td>
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<td>B. Committee Reports</td>
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<td>1. Teaching and Learning and the Council of the Great City Schools (CGCS) Conference</td>
<td>Ms. Speering presented a Teaching and Learning report. She stated that the committee met in September, and discussed Teacher Recruitment and Retention. She also gave a report on her trip to the CGCS Conference.</td>
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<td>C. Board Chairman’s Report</td>
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<td>1. Announcements</td>
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<td>• Overton Parent Advisory Council</td>
<td>Dr. Brannon announced that the Overton Parent Advisory Council will meet October 22nd at McMurray Middle Prep at 5:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Walk to School Day</td>
<td>Ms. Speering announced that she will be participating in Walk to School Day at Goodlettsville Elementary School on October 14th.</td>
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<td>• Fitness Friday</td>
<td>Ms. Speering announced that Fitness Friday will be held at the Central Office on October 16th.</td>
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<td>• Teaching and Learning Committee</td>
<td>Ms. Speering announced that the next Teaching and Learning Committee meeting will be October 28th at 11:30 a.m.</td>
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<td>• Pathways</td>
<td>Mr. Henson made the following announcement on behalf of Ms. Pierce (who had to leave early). The Pathways meeting will be held at the Martin Professional Development Center on October 20th at 6:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Music Makes Us</td>
<td>Ms. Shepherd announced that she attended the Music Makes Us Board meeting on September 30th.</td>
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<td>• Annual CLASS meeting</td>
<td>Ms. Shepherd announced that the Annual CLASS meeting will be held on November 15th.</td>
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<td>• Universal Computer Science Initiative</td>
<td>Mr. Pinkston discussed the potential of the district developing a Universal Computer Science Initiative. He stated that he would like the Board to consider the subject in an upcoming Teaching and Learning Committee meeting.</td>
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<td>• Hillwood High School</td>
<td>Ms. Frogge announced that Hillwood High School would be hosting an Academy Showcase on October 16th at 5:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>• Walk to School Day</td>
<td>Ms. Frogge announced that she will be participating in Walk to School Day on October 14th at Gower Elementary School.</td>
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<td>• The Links, Incorporated and the Frist Center</td>
<td>Dr. Gentry announced that The Links, Incorporated and the Frist Center would be providing a Free Admission Day for children at the Frist Center on October 24th from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Upcoming Committee Meetings</td>
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<td>Adjournment</td>
<td>Ms. Frogge adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.</td>
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**Signatures**

- Chris M. Henson
- Sharon Dixon Gentry

**Date**

- Board Secretary
- Board Chair