**TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION/MOTION** | **FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME**
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• Roll Call | Present: Cheryl D. Mayes, Chair  
Dr. Jo Ann Brannon  
Amy Froge  
Michael W. Hayes  
Elissa Kim  
Anna Shepherd, Vice-Chair  
Jill Speering  
Akaninyene Eyoh and Marquetta Bowling, Student Board Members  
Dr. Jesse Register, Director of Schools  
Absent: Dr. Sharon Gentry  
Will Pinkston |  
Ms. Mayes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

• Pledge of Allegiance | Led by Dr. Linda DePrist. |  

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

• U.S. Department of Education Commendation – Virginia Pupo-Walker and Lorraine Stallworth | The Board presented an Award of Recognition to Virginia Pupo-Walker and Lorraine Stallworth for receiving a letter of commendation from the Office of Communications of Outreach from the U.S. Department of Education. |  

• Firefighters Union Donation of 1,400 Coats to Students at Glenview and Tusculum Elementary Schools | The Board presented the Firefighters Union with a Certificate of Appreciation for its donation of 1,400 coats for the students at Glenview and Tusculum Elementary Schools. |  

**GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

• ACTIONS  

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<td>1. Consent - continued</td>
<td>Neely Coble Company, (17.) Neely Coble Company, (18.) CDW Government; IV-A-1-g- Recommended Approval of Requests for Compulsory Attendance Waiver. Ms. Shepherd moved to approve the consent agenda as read. Dr. Brannon seconded.</td>
<td>VOTE: 7-0 – Unanimous</td>
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<td>• Recommended Approval of Proposed 2013-2019 Capital Improvement Budget (Capital Needs Committee)</td>
<td>Mr. Hayes said the Capital Needs Committee met and recommends that the Board approve the proposed 2013-2019 Capital Improvement Budget. Ms. Shepherd made the motion to recommend approval of the proposed 2013-2019 Capital Improvement Budget. Ms. Speering seconded.</td>
<td>VOTE: 7-0-Unanimous</td>
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<td>• Recommended Approval of Music Makes Us Resolution</td>
<td>Ms. Shepherd read the following Music Makes Us Resolution:</td>
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<td>The Metropolitan Nashville Board of Public Education, through the unanimous voice of its nine elected members, supports Music Makes Us. <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, Metro Nashville Public Schools is committed to providing all students with the foundation of knowledge, skills and character needed to excel in higher education, work and life; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, Metro Schools has embraced the Common Core Standards to equip students with 21st Century skills such as critical thinking, communication, collaboration and creativity; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, multiple research studies make clear that students who participate in a rigorous, sequential, standards-based visual and performing arts education develop the ability to innovate, communicate, and collaborate; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, such music education in schools improves test scores, increases graduation rates and helps close achievement gaps among student groups; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, research shows music enhances cognitive development in many areas, including verbal skills and social-emotional learning; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, research indicates low income students with in-depth music and arts involvement earn better grades, are more likely to attend college, develop greater self-esteem and are more engaged in civic affairs; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, Metro Schools is committed to increasing parent and community engagement in schools in support of student learning; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, student performances and music events bring school staff and families together in engaging, community-centered school environments; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, the Board of Education and the Director of Schools are committed to ensuring all students are prepared to compete for jobs in the local music and creative economy; and <strong>WHEREAS</strong>, with more than 80 record labels, 130 music publishers, 180 recording studios and some</td>
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### Recommended Approval of Music Makes Us Resolution – continued

5,000 working union musicians, Nashville is known as Music City with the music industry's total economic impact in Middle Tennessee at $6.4 billion per year, providing 54,000 jobs according to a 2006 study; and **WHEREAS**, music performance, composition, distribution, promotion, production, training, education, artists' rights groups, live music venues and equipment repair and production jobs require mastery of 21st Century skills; and **WHEREAS**, almost 60 percent of Metro Schools students are enrolled in music classes, including all elementary students; 33 percent of middle school students; and 29 percent of high school students, and this year the district is investing $13 million for more than 200 staff; and **WHEREAS**, Music Makes Us, a public-private partnership with Metro Schools, the Mayor’s Office and the music community supports student engagement and achievement through high quality music education with both a traditional music curriculum and a contemporary curriculum that uses new technologies and reflects a diverse musical landscape; and **WHEREAS**, the Mayor's Office, private philanthropy, local nonprofit music and arts advocacy organizations, musicians, parents, higher education and teachers are critical to increasing the availability, quality and vitality of music education in Metro Schools; now, therefore be **Resolved** that to assure access to quality music instruction and meet achievement goals, the Board of Education will affirm music education as an essential component of every student's education; **Resolved further**, within the next three years, all Kindergarten through Grade 12 students in Metro Schools will have opportunities to participate in high quality music instruction that is standards-based, sequential, taught by highly qualified music educators and enhanced by a network of music professionals, music industry and community-based organizations from the Nashville community; **Resolved further**, to have a world-class music education program Metro Schools will engage more students in music, reflect our diverse community, strengthen legacy programs in chorus, band and orchestra, and excite students around new and emerging music technologies; **Resolved further**, non-traditional music courses will be offered in every cluster based on student population, administrative support, and availability of instructors and resources with every middle and high school eventually having at least one non-traditional music pathway and all schools will have partnerships with community-based organizations; **Resolved further**, Music Makes Us will foster high expectations and a reputation for excellence in music education using...
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### DISCUSSION/MOTION
clearly defined standards and accountability measures to ensure equitable access to a world-class music program. This resolution shall take effect immediately for the benefit of all students in Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools. Adopted this day, Tuesday, January 8, 2013.

Ms. Kim made the motion to approve the Music Makes Us resolution. Ms. Speering seconded.

### FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
VOTE: 7-0-Unanimous

## REPORTS
- Director’s Report
  - TLG Report: Performance of Students with Special Needs
    
    Ms. Debra McAdams presented the TLG-Performance of Students with Special Needs report to the Board.

    Ms. Shepherd asked how do you incorporate the training of the General Education teachers? Dr. DePriest said we are working with the project-based learning initiative and also, the Classroom Organization and Management training helps to train teachers. Ms. Shepherd asked if elementary classrooms still use paraprofessionals? Dr. DePriest said yes. Ms. Kim asked how will gains in rigor and depth be approached? Ms. McAdams said through Common Core training and working teacher-to-teacher with professional learning. Ms. Greer said we have learned that teachers learn better from one another therefore, we are working on forming core teacher groups. Ms. Kim asked how are the findings aligned? Ms. McAdams said we will plan out year-by-year what will happen. Ms. Mayes asked which schools will be early adopter schools? Ms. McAdams said I.T. Creswell and Meigs Middle Schools and Andrew Jackson and Eakin Elementary Schools.

- School Option Process Report
  
  Dr. Register gave a brief report on the School Option process. Mr. Weber gave an update on the School Option process.

- School Safety
  
  Dr. Register began by saying MNPS takes safety in schools seriously. Mr. Carr and Mr. Majors gave a report on School Safety.

  Ms. Speering asked how quickly will the number of security cameras be increased? Mr. Majors said currently, there are 1,300 in the district. We are working on increasing the inventory of cameras, capital funding and product installation. Ms. Speering asked are the camera images available on computers and monitors? Mr. Majors said, digital systems allow images to be shown on monitors and computers. Ms. Mayes said we have to be concise and clear concerning school safety, and MNPS is taking the issue very seriously.
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<td>• Committee Reports – Naming of Schools</td>
<td>Dr. Brannon stated that in July of 2006, the Board voted to name the Overton High School field in honor of band director JoAnn Hood. The naming of the field ceremony did not take place until October 2011. Later in October 2011, a community group requested that the Board withdraw the name of the field because it had been thought that the field had already been named after Nick Coutras (in 1983), a former Overton football coach. A review of the MNPS Board minutes indicated that the field was not named after Nick Coutras, only the stadium. Members of the community were then given the opportunity to come to a resolution between the band group and the football group. The current Naming of Schools Committee met in December 2012 (Ms. Shepherd, Ms. Speering and Dr. Brannon) and made the following recommendation: that no changes in the naming of the JoAnn Hood Field would take place at this time, and the stadium would remain named the Nick Coutras Stadium. However, the committee did agree to leave the option open for the community groups to come to a compromise.</td>
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<td>• Committee Reports – Youth Safety Summit</td>
<td>Ms. Shepherd stated that the Youth Safety Summit will be April 6th at 8:30 a.m. The featured speaker will be Craig Scott of Rachel’s Challenge.</td>
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Dan Mills Elementary Community Meeting  
Ms. Speering announced that she and Ms. Kim would be conducting a community meeting at Dan Mills Elementary at 6:00 p.m. on February 5th.

• The Academy at Old Cockrill, OpryMills, and Hickory Hollow Graduates  
Ms. Speering congratulated all students who graduated from The Academies at Old Cockrill, OpryMills, and Hickory Hollow.

• FAFSA Night at McGavock High School  
Ms. Shepherd announced the FAFSA night at McGavock High School starting at 5:30 p.m. on January 10th.

• Waverly Belmont  
Mr. Hayes announced that he and Mr. Pinkston would be holding a community meeting in the near future concerning the idea of utilizing Waverly Belmont as a potential school site.

• Red River Nashville Beautiful Art Trucks  
Mr. Hayes announced that 3rd and 4th grade finalists from the Red River Nashville Beautiful Art contest will have art work featured on trash collection vehicles. The trucks will be parked at Glendale, Julia Green, and Sylvan Park Elementary Schools on January 14th.

• Advocacy Committee  
Ms. Frogge announced she will be holding an Advocacy Committee meeting in the future. She stated that she will be bringing an anti-state charter authorizer resolution to the next Board meeting.

• Peabody College Partnership  
Ms. Frogge announced that MNPS would be starting a partnership with Peabody College to study parent engagement and provide an assessment of where MNPS stands on this issue.
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<td>Crossings Nashville Partnership (CNP)</td>
<td>Ms. Mayes announced the Crossings Nashville Partnership (CNP) is working on plans to re-open Hickory Hollow Mall in the near future.</td>
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<td>Winter Commencement</td>
<td>Ms. Mayes announced that the Winter Commencement will be January 10th at 6:00 p.m. at McGavock High School.</td>
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<td>MNPS Report Cards</td>
<td>Ms. Mayes announced that report cards will be issued on January 15th.</td>
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<td>Board Work Session</td>
<td>Ms. Mayes announced the next Board Work Session will be January 22nd.</td>
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<td>Board Retreat</td>
<td>Ms. Mayes announced the Board Retreat on January 25th-26th at Montgomery Bell State Park.</td>
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<td>Antioch Community American Red Cross Blood Drive</td>
<td>Ms. Mayes announced the Antioch Community American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held January 14th at the Crossings Event Center in Antioch from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.</td>
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**WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

- Board Calendar Items
- Sales Tax Collections as of December 20, 2012
- Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget Financial Report
- Adjournment                               | Ms. Frogge adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m. |
- Signatures                                |                                               |

Chris M. Henson    Cheryl D. Mayes           Date
Board Secretary    Board Chair