METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION MEETING - Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Members present - Sharon Gentry, Will Pinkston, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs, Tyese Hunter, Mary Pierce, Amy Frogge, Shawn Joseph

Meeting called to order at 3:37 PM

CONVENE and ACTION

A. Establish Quorum
   Ms. Shepherd called the meeting to order.

B. Pledge of Allegiance
   Led by Robbin Wall, Principal of McGavock High School

C. 30 Seconds in My District...
   Each Board Member gave a brief update of their district.

AND THE GOOD NEWS IS...

A. Glencliff High School Student Ambassadors - Marita Odwar and Alphonzo “Fonzie” Jones addressed the Board concerning each of their academies at Glencliff High School.

B. Students from Meigs Magnet Middle School performed before the Board meeting.

C. Glencliff High School displayed artwork during the Board meeting.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Marcus Hampton, McGavock High School – Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Mentoring Program. The Board recognized Mr. Hampton for his work with McGavock High School and the community.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Mary Jo Cramb – Ms. Cramb asked the Board to consider adding a raise into the budget higher than the proposed 2% increase.

B. Dr. Carolyn Baldwin Tucker – Dr. Tucker addressed the Board about the operating budget. She asked the Board to reconsider the budget.
C. Erick Huth – Dr. Huth addressed the Board concerning the operating budget. He asked the Board to include the 7 proposed Social Workers cuts in the budget.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

A. Consent

a. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts
   (1) Cambridge International
   (2) Catapult Learning, LLC
   (3) Connecticut General Life Insurance Company (CIGNA)
   (4) Nashville State Community College
   (5) Youth Opportunity Investments, LLC

b. Special Course List- High School Electives

c. Legal Settlement Claim C-33507 ($30,000)

Motion to approve the consent agenda as read.
Motion by Jill Speering, second by Amy Frogge.
Final Resolution: Motion Passes
Yes: Sharon Gentry, Will Pinkston, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs, Tyese Hunter, Mary Pierce, Amy Frogge

B. Resolution to Amend Letter Grading of Tennessee Public Schools

Motion to approve Memorandum of Understanding for MNEA.
Motion by Jo Ann Brannon, second by Will Pinkston.
Final Resolution: Motion Passes
Yes: Sharon Gentry, Will Pinkston, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs, Tyese Hunter, Mary Pierce, Amy Frogge
REPORTS

A. Director’s Report
   1. EL Update - Mr. Stacey and staff presented an EL Power Point and report to the Board.

B. Board Chairman’s Report
   1. Chair Report – Ms. Shepherd gave a brief report on a workshop she attended during the National School Boards Association annual conference called, Turning High Poverty Schools into High Performing Schools.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Chris M. Henson
Board Secretary

Anna Shepherd
Board Chair