METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – February 9, 2021

Members Present: Christiane Buggs, chair, Gini Pupo-Walker, Rachael Anne Elrod vice-chair, Emily Masters, Abigail Tylor, Sharon Gentry, John Little (virtually), and Fran Bush (virtually), Freda Player-Peters (arrived at 5:35 p.m.)

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

CONVENE AND ACTION

A. Call to Order
   Christiane Buggs called the meeting to order.

B. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Dr. Springer, Chief of Student Services.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Kevin Walker – Mr. Walker addressed the Board concerning a program for MNPS students.
B. Vanessa Barnes – Ms. Barnes addressed the Board concerning her support of the personalized learning plan.
C. Sonya Thomas – Ms. Thomas addressed the Board concerning her support of the personalized learning plan.
D. Cliff Myah – Mr. Myah addressed the Board concerning his support for the personalized learning plans. He also spoke on behalf of Nina Lockhart and expressed her support of the personalized learning plans.
E. Bishop Umiko Jones – Bishop Jones addressed the Board concerning his support for the personalized learning plans.
F. Leslie Marrale – Ms. Marrale asked the Board that 5th grade transition to Crieve Hall Elementary for the 2020-21 school year.
GOVERNANCE ISSUES

A. 1. Consent
   a. Approval of Minutes - 11/10/2021, 11/24/2021 and 01/12/21 - Meetings
   b. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts
      2. Bridges for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing
      3. Case Restoration Company
      4. Rock City Construction, LLC
      5. W.E. O’Neil Construction Company of Tennessee
      6. WEBCON, Inc.
   c. Board Policy 1.106 Code of Ethics – Approved by Governance Committee
   d. Elementary and Middle School Grade Realignment
   e. Legal Settlement Claim ($94,500)

Motion to approve consent agenda
By Sharon Gentry, seconded Gini Pupo-Walker
Motion Passes
Vote: 5-0 (Emily Masters out of room, Fran Bush and John Little did not vote)

2. Ethics Committee Formation – The Board dismissed this item.
DIRECTOR’S REPORT
A. Director’s Remarks – Dr. Battle and staff gave a report on Our Community.

ANNOUNCEMENT
A. Emily Masters announced Dan Mills Elementary School will hold an All School Reads event in conjunction with a Black History Month Celebration on February 18th. She also announced on February 29th Litton Middle will hold a virtual open house and that the Optional Application Deadline is February 12th. She attended the Maplewood Academy Fair on February 4th.
B. Gini Pupo-Walker thanked Randy Lowry, President of Lipscomb University for his service to MNPS.
C. Rachael Anne Elrod announced the following Metro Council and Board of Education join meetings: HR Discussion February 18th at 5:00 p.m. and March 11th at 5:00 p.m. to discuss Social and Emotional Learning.
D. Christiane Buggs announced that she will be hosting a virtual community forum on February 12th at 11:00 a.m.

Ms. Buggs adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

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Chris M. Henson                Christiane Buggs                  Date
Board Secretary                Board Chair