

**METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION MEETING - Tuesday,
December 12, 2017**

Members present

Sharon Gentry, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs, Tyese Hunter, Mary Pierce and Shawn Joseph

Members absent

Will Pinkston, Amy Frogge

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM

CONVENE and ACTION

A. Establish Quorum

Ms. Shepherd called the meeting to order.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Nola Jones, Director of Visual and Performing Arts.

C. 30 Seconds in My District...

Each Board Member gave a brief update on their districts.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Cane Ridge High School – State Football Championship Runner – up
The Board and Dr. Joseph congratulated the Cane Ridge High School Football team for being State Football Championship Runner-ups.

B. Hume Award Finalists

The Board and Dr. Joseph recognized the Hume Award Finalists.

C. Project Lit – Maplewood High School

The Board recognized Jarred Amato for his work with Project Lit at Maplewood High School.

D. National U.S. Presidential Scholars Program

The Board recognized Esther Nwozo, a student from Overton High School for being accepted into the National U.S. Presidential Scholars Program.

AND THE GOOD NEWS IS...

- A. Student Ambassadors - Antioch High School
Student Ambassadors from Antioch High School shared their experience within their academies.

- B. Hillsboro High School
Students from Hillsboro High School Pops Choir performed Christmas Carols for the Board and audience prior to the Board Meeting.

- C. Oliver Middle School
Oliver Middle School students displayed Christmas Art Winter Scenes in the Board Room prior to the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Jordan Simms – Ms. Simms addressed the return on investment of the International Baccalaureate Program.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- A. Consent Agenda
 - a. Recommended Approval of Request #3 for Overton High School Additions and Renovations - Beaver Engineering, Inc.
 - b. Recommended Approval of Request #26 for Purchase of Furniture (New Eagle View Elementary School) -GBI
 - c. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts
 - (1) QuaverMusic.com
 - (2) Tennessee Department of Children’s Services
 - d. Legal Settlement Claim - C-35376 (\$12,000)
 - e. Board Policies – School Board Operations

Motion to approve the consent agenda as read.

Motion by Jill Speering, second by Jo Ann Brannon.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Sharon Gentry, Jo Ann Brannon, Jill Speering, Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs, Tyese Hunter, Mary Pierce

REPORTS

A. DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Early College Proposal

Dr. Narcisse and other representatives from Nashville State Community College updated the Board on the expansion of the Middle College program.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Governance

Ms. Hunter stated that the Governance Committee met to discuss the status of Smithson Craighead Academy.

2. Director Evaluation

Dr. Gentry gave a brief Director Evaluation Committee report.

3. Community Engagement

Ms. Buggs gave a brief Community Engagement Committee report.

C. BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. Chair's Report

Ms. Shepherd gave a chair's report.

2. Announcements

a. Ms. Speering announced that Dr. Kessler, principal at Hunters Lane High School, was featured in Ed Leadership Journal.

b. Ms. Speering announced that Lisa Pierce, the Community Engagement Manager at the Election Commission, will be visiting High Schools to register students to vote.

c. Ms. Speering announced that she attended Maplewood Monday December 4th.

d. Ms. Speering announced that Maplewood High School will hold the ribbon cutting for their new Energy and Power Outdoor Training Center.

e. Ms. Speering also gave a brief report on her trip to Houston TX with other MNPS staff.

f. Ms. Hunter announced that Antioch Middle Schools AVID's program completed their first college visit to Tennessee State University.

g. Ms. Hunter announced that Apollo Middle School hosted their Equal Educational Opportunity Group incorporation with BMI.

h. Ms. Hunter announced that JFK Middle School held a Donuts and Dad event at their school.

i. Ms. Hunter announced that A.Z. Kelley Elementary hosted an All Pro Dads meeting on December 8th.

j. Ms. Hunter announced that Cane Ridge Elementary School hosted their Data Date Night on November 30th.

k. Ms. Hunter announced that Maxwell Elementary School hosted 200 grandparents at their school in Honor of Grandparents.

- l. Ms. Pierce thanked MNPS staff, Hillsboro High School and the community for their support after the tragic death of Jadontae Hancock Jr.
- m. Ms. Shepherd announced that the Academy of Opry Mills would be holding their winter graduation on December 13th at 9:00 a.m. at Opry Mills Mall afterwards the Academy at Hickory Hollow will hold their graduation at 12:00 p.m. at Hickory Hollow Mall.

Ms. Buggs adjourned the meeting at 6:19 p.m.



Chris M. Henson
Board Secretary

Anna Shepherd
Board Chair

Date