

## **METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION MEETING – March 5, 2019**

**Members present** –Rachael Anne Elrod, , Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs (Vice-chair), Fran Bush, Gini Pupo-Walker, Will Pinkston, Shawn Joseph

**Members absent** –Sharon Gentry (Chair), Jill Speering

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

### **CONVENE and ACTION**

- A. Call to Order  
Ms. Buggs called the meeting to order.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance  
Led by Brad Rayson, SEIU.
- C. Quorum Validation  
There was a quorum present at the meeting.
- D. Adoption of the Agenda

**Motion to accept the agenda as printed.**

**Motion by Ms. Shepherd, seconded Mr. Pinkston**

**Final Resolution: Motion Passes**

**Yes: Rachael Anne Elrod, Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs, Fran Bush, Gini Pupo-Walker, Amy Frogge, Will Pinkston**

### **AND THE GOOD NEW IS...**

- A. Bellevue Middle School band performed the "The Wanderer, " by Dan Moore prior to the Board Meeting.
- B. Creswell Middle School of the Arts displayed Art Work during the Board meeting.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- A. Kathryn Pratt – Ms. Pratt addressed the Board concerning providing more support to schools to support SEL within the district.
- B. Sheleta Allen – Ms. Allen addressed the Board concerning teacher needs within the district.
- C. Melinda Willingham – Dr. Willingham addressed the Board concerning violent behavior within the district and SEL within the district.
- D. Theresa Wagner – Ms. Wagner addressed the Board concerning supporting teachers and providing the needed resources and pay.
- E. Brooke Huppenthal – Ms. Huppenthal addressed the Board concerning helping MNPS excel.
- F. Amanda Kail – Ms. Kail addressed the Board and requested a teacher raise of 17%.
- G. Jenny Petschulat – Ms. Petschulat addressed the Board concerning aggressively Funding MNPS and providing a living wage for all teachers.
- H. Nina Stroud – Ms. Stroud addressed the Board concerning the underfunding of the district and its effects. She asked the Board to give employees a raise.
- I. Honey Russell – Ms. Russell addressed the Board concerning the underfunding of the district and its effects. She asked the Board to fund the district and give employees a raise.
- J. James Brown – Mr. Brown addressed the Board concerning the underfunding of the district and its effects. He asked the Board to fund the district and give employees a raise.
- K. Sherrie Martin – Ms. Martin addressed the Board concerning problems within the district and asked the Board to provide teachers raises.
- L. Susan Norwood – Ms. Norwood addressed the Board concerning teacher pay and asked the Board to give teachers a raise.
- M. Laura Leonard – Ms. Leonard addressed the Board concerning teacher raises.
- N. Kathryn Green – Ms. Green addressed the Board concerning teacher raises.
- O. Michelle Sherriff – Ms. Sheriff addressed the Board concerning teacher raises and the Compensation Committee Recommendations.
- P. Kelly Watlington – Ms. Watlington addressed the Board concerning teacher raises.
- Q. Lucy Jenkins – Ms. Jenkins addressed the Board concerning teacher pay.
- R. Brad Rayson – Ms. Rayson addressed the Board concerning SEIU experience with Dr. Joseph and the operating budget.
- S. Bill Durkin – Mr. Durkin addressed the Board concerning morale within the district.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- A. Dr. Joseph read a statement concerning his tenure with MNPS.

## **BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

- A. Dr. Gentry gave comments concerning Dr. Joseph's tenure with MNPS.
- B. Dr. Gentry gave a brief Board Chair's report.

## **GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

- A. Consent

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  - a. Recommended Approval of Supplement #3 for McMurray Middle School Additions and Renovations – HMK Architects PLLC
  - b. Recommended Approval of Request #3 for Large Scope Projects at Various Schools (Hume-Fogg Magnet High School Skylight Replacement) – Orion Building Corporation
  - c. Recommended Approval of Request #4 for Large Scope Projects at Various Schools (Donelson Middle School Deferred Access Upgrades) – Orion Building Corporation
  - d. Recommended Approval of Request #5 for Large Scope Projects at Various Schools (Martin Luther King, Jr. Magnet High School Exterior Lighting) – Orion Building Corporation
  - e. Awarding of Purchases and Contracts
    1. CDW-G
    2. Dell Marketing LP
    3. DreamBox Learning, Inc.
    4. Ed’s Supply Company, Inc.
    5. Global Payments, Inc. dba Heartland School Solutions (2 contracts)
    6. Greenwood Publishing LLC dba Heinemann
    7. Personal Computer Systems Inc.

Ms. Pupo-Walker read the consent.

**Motion to approve the consent agenda.**

**Motion by Anna Shepherd, second by Will Pinkston**

**Final Resolution: Motion Passes**

**Yes: Rachael Anne Elrod, Anna Shepherd, Christiane Buggs, Fran Bush, Amy Frogge, Will Pinkston**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Ms. Pupo-Walker announced that she visited five schools for Read Me Week. She also announced that the Week of March 4 was School Social Worker Week.
- B. Mr. Pinkston announced that the Board Office will be researching the Board Budget to see if there are funds available to help the Board advocate for the budget.
- C. Ms. Shepherd announced that the Northeast Quadrant community meeting on the budget will be held at McGavock High School on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

- D. Ms. Shepherd announced that the The Arts are celebrated in the month of March. She congratulated all of the art departments and students within MNPS. She also thanked Music Makes Us for all of their support of MNPS.
- E. Ms. Elrod announced the upcoming SouthWest Quadrant meetings at March 7<sup>th</sup> and March 21<sup>st</sup>.
- F. Ms. Bush announced that the Southeast Quadrant would have a meeting on the budget on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. at Cane Ridge High School.
- G. Ms. Buggs announced that she has been hosting Community Meeting within the district and asked the community to support the meetings. The next meeting will be held March 7<sup>th</sup> at Napier and also a Quadrant meeting at Carter Lawrence on March 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Ms. Buggs adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.**



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Chris M. Henson  
Board Secretary

Sharon Gentry      Date  
Board Chair