



HOOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2016 5:30 PM
MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Hoover City Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 8, 2016 at Berry Middle School. The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM by President Derrick Murphy. Mr. Murphy asked those who wished to participate, to join in a moment of silent prayer. Vice-President Stephen Presley led the Pledge of Allegiance. The following record of attendance was made:

Mr. Derrick M. Murphy, President
Mr. Stephen D. Presley, Vice-President
Mr. Earl A. Cooper
Mr. Craig P. Kelley
Mrs. Jill Ganus Veitch
Dr. Kathy L. Murphy, Superintendent
Mrs. Louise White, Recording Secretary

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

President Murphy thanked Dr. Chris Robbins, principal of Berry Middle School, for hosting the Board meeting. Mr. Murphy asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made by Mr. Presley and seconded by Mr. Kelley. The agenda was adopted by unanimous vote. Mr. Murphy announced that due to the possibility of a long Executive Session, he was requesting that the Public Participation segment of the meeting be moved to the end of the agenda. He called for a motion to amend the agenda to reflect this change. Mr. Presley entered the motion with Mr. Kelley offering a second. The motion was unanimously approved. Mr. Murphy said that it had been requested that the public be provided with an audio recording of the Board meetings, which he hopes to implement at next month's meeting (March 2016).

III. RECOGNITION

Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Ron Dodson, began the recognition portion of the meeting by announcing that Rocky Ridge Elementary School's principal, Dr. Dilhani Uswatte had been named an Education Fellow by TedX Birmingham, and also Dr. Uswatte would be a speaker at the Milken Foundation's Excellence in Teaching Conference.

Mrs. Tammy Dunn announced the nominees from each school for Teacher of the Year and for the Jacksonville State University Teacher Hall of Fame. They are listed below.

School	Teacher of the Year Nominee	JSU Hall of Fame Nominee
Berry Middle School	Jessical Badio	Lincoln Clark
Bluff Park Elem. School	Kathryne Flippo	Amanda Walker
Brock's Gap Inter. School	Christie Willis	Allison Dolan
Crossroads School	Leslee Green	Sue Martindale
Deer Valley Elem. School	Carrie Wallace	Beth Hankins
Green Valley Elem. School	Erika Russ	Tina West
Greystone Elem. School	Leta Holt	Rand Payton
Gwin Elementary School	Dani Berryhill	Traci Ingleright
Hoover High School	Matthew Walker	Stacey Avant
Bumpus Middle School	Vincent Chiaramonte	Marva Raby
Riverchase Elem. School	Mary Long	Elizabeth Dunn
Rocky Ridge Elem. School	Abbey Northington	Breanna Sabbatini
Shades Mtn. Elem. School	Jennifer Collins	Marla Vansant
Simmons Middle School	Delle Kincaid	Eric Ness
Spain Park High School	Amber Lewis	Todd Parker
So. Shades Crest Elem. School	Amy Tomberlin	Angie Barnes
Trace Crossings Elementary	Cally Boyers	Dana Joyner

Mrs. Dunn then announced the district-wide nominees for each award. They are as follows:

Kathryne Flippo	Elementary Nominee	Alabama Teacher of the Year
Vincent Chiaramonte	Secondary Nominee	Alabama Teacher of the Year
Traci Ingleright	Elementary Nominee	JSU Hall of Fame
Marva Raby	Middle School Nominee	JSU Hall of Fame
Todd Parker	High School Nominee	JSU Hall of Fame

In addition, Melisa Guthrie of Spain Park High School was honored for recently receiving National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Certification.

Dr. Debra Smith, Coordinator of Federal Programs and Assessment, spoke briefly of the various academies that Hoover affords to students. She recognized Jason Zajac of Spain Park High School for being named Mentor of the Year by the Health Occupations Students of America.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of January 12, 2016

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the Board meeting of January 12, 2016. A motion was made by Mr. Kelley and seconded by Mrs. Veitch. The vote was unanimous, and the minutes were approved.

B. Personnel Actions

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the personnel actions. Mr. Cooper made the motion with Mr. Kelley seconding. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

C. Business Actions

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the business actions. A motion was made by Mr. Presley, and Mr. Kelley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

D. Science Textbook Adoption - Elementary

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the Elementary Science Textbook Adoption . A motion was made by Mr. Cooper and seconded by Mrs. Veitch. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

E. 2017 - 2018 School Calendar

After discussion by the Board members, Mr. Presley made the motion to table the decision of adopting a 2017-2018 School Calendar until a later date. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Veitch. By unanimous vote, the motion passed.

V. INFORMATION/REPORTS

There were no information or reports given.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Murphy announced that the rezoning plan was presented Thursday, February 4, 2016. The feedback and completed surveys were being read, studied and taken into consideration for any adjustments and impacts to the community. She asked that the public keep in mind that the Department of Justice and the Legal Defense & Education Fund must both be satisfied with the final plan. The lawsuit of 1971, Stout versus the Jefferson County Board of Education still remains as pending litigation. Judge Madeline Haikala will hear our case for Unitary Status. Dr. Murphy stressed that she respects each community advocating for their area and welcomes the feedback from the public; however, the plan must be right for all children of Hoover. She encouraged those who had not done so, to go the the Hoover City Schools website and complete the survey. On Thursday, February 11, 2016, the first community meeting will be held at Brock's Gap Intermediate School, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. (The additional meetings are posted on the HCS website.) However, any concerned citizens may come to any of the scheduled community meetings, not just to the ones held for their zoned area. Dr. Murphy explained that if certain changes to the rezoning plan were contemplated, she would share them immediately with the DOJ and LDF. In addition to rezoning, Dr. Murphy talked about attending the State Superintendents Association Legislative Council meeting last week, where there was talk of a 2% or 3% teacher pay increase. A bill entitled the RAISE bill may be introduced. Mr. Kelley encouraged everyone to read the latest version of the RAISE bill. Dr. Murphy expressed her displeasure of the ramifications of the bill. Another area of concern with the legislature is the future of the Education Trust Fund. She requested that everyone stay informed of the actions of the legislature.

VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Denise Monti, Hoover resident, formally requested additional information on rezoning and greater access to all data used in the rezoning plan

Kasey Birdsong, a Hoover resident, asked that the community of Southlake remain at Riverchase Elementary School due to no future growth, limited number of students and distance to the school.

Amy Rakes, a Hoover resident, had concerns about the enrollment numbers posted. Dr. Dodson explained that the figures were projected enrollment. Ms. Rakes also mentioned the urgency of the plan, discrepancy in the maps, the high poverty for Gwin and Green Valley schools and proposed bus expenses.

Michele Colabrese, a Hoover resident, was concerned about the data released today and the percentage of the racial composition, options, and results.

Laura Ann Pitts, Hoover resident and Hoover High School teacher, asked about options for The Preserve, Highland Crest, and the Al Seier Road area. She asked that all of Trace Crossings community remain at Trace Crossings Elementary School. She also suggested that South Shades Crest, Trace Crossings and Brock's Gap all become K-5 schools.

Crystal Wilkerson, Hoover resident, requested the bus routes for the proposal rezoning of the Southlake community.

Sephra Faulkner, a Hoover resident, asked that the entire Trace Crossings community remain zoned to attend Trace Crossings Elementary School.

IX. DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

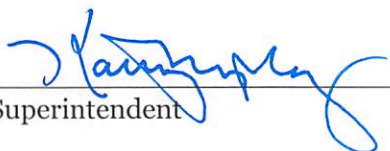
The next regular Board meeting will be March 14, 2016 at 5:30PM at Rocky Ridge School.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION


President Murphy announced that the Board had determined that an Executive Session was in order. He called for a motion to meet in Executive Session to discuss the purchase, sale, exchange, lease or market value of real property and a discipline issue. Mr. Kelley offered the motion with Mr. Presley seconding. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. The Board exited at 6:39 PM.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Upon their return and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.



Superintendent



Board President