



HOOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 9, 2016 4:30 PM
MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Hoover City Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 9, 2016 at the Farr Administration Building. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by President Derrick Murphy. Mr. Murphy asked those who wished to participate, to join in an invocation. 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. Craig P. Kelley
Mrs. Jill Ganus Veitch
Dr. Kathy L. Murphy, Superintendent
Mrs. Louise White, Recording Secretary

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

President 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.

III. RECOGNITION

Dr. Dodson began by introducing Maggie Roundtree of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. She spoke briefly of the major goals of her organization and thanked the Spain Park High School Health Science Academy for their work to provide over \$1500 in contributions. She also introduced Lymphoma survivor, Naomi Pitts, a student in the Academy. Due to the efforts of Hoover High School Environmental Science teacher Janet Ort, a live Skype was held to congratulate sisters Rowan and Rozan El Qishawi, Hoover High School students who were in Phoenix, Arizona for the Intel International Science & Engineering Fair Competition. Rowan and Rozan placed first in the UAB CORD Regional Science & Engineering Fair. Speech Pathologist Linda Gaulden of Rocky Ridge Elementary School was honored for winning the Loretta G. Brown Award. The Geometry Team from Hoover High School was recognized for placing first in the Alabama State High School Mathematics Competition. Libby Day, Spain Park High School Law Academy sponsor, introduced Grace Friedman, newly appointed page for the United States Senate.

Superintendent Murphy took the opportunity to recognize outgoing Board President Derrick Murphy and thanked him for his years of dedicated service to Hoover City Schools. President Murphy was presented with a crystal memento to honor his time served. She also extended her appreciation to retiring Assistant Superintendent Melody Greene and to Chief School Financial Officer, Cathy Antee, who is leaving to pursue another position. Dr. Murphy announced that a reception would be held at the end of the Board meeting to honor all three.

IV. INTERVIEW OF CHIEF SCHOOL FINANCIAL OFFICER POSITION - Tina Hancock

Candidate Tina Hancock was introduced to the Board members. Mrs. Hancock gave a brief synopsis of her professional background which included her current position of Chief School Financial Officer of Jackson County Schools, Alabama. The members asked various questions dealing with school finances and laws regarding finances. Mrs. Hancock then asked questions and thanked the Board for the opportunity to be considered for the position.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Murphy called for a motion for the Board to convene for an Executive Session in order to speak on good name and character. Mr. Presley offered the motion with Mrs. Veitch seconding. By unanimous vote, the motion was approved. The Board members exited at 5:10 PM and returned at 6:00 PM. Upon their return, Mr. Presley entered the motion to allow additional time for the Board to make a decision regarding the naming a Chief School Financial Officer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kelley. The vote was unanimously in favor; therefore, the motion passed.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cheryl Stephens spoke of her history at Crossroads School where she has been a long-time substitute teacher. She stressed the usefulness of the New Beginnings program to many students who could not have made it at the larger high schools. Two New Beginnings students also spoke. Jasmine spoke of her issues of academic challenge and being bullied, but once she was at New Beginnings, her life changed for the better. Dylan shared that she hated school, but because of her time at New Beginnings, she now enjoys going to school. Mr. Presley asked Dr. Murphy if either Crossroads or the New Beginnings program was going away. Dr. Murphy said it was not.

Chris Monte expressed his and others' frustrations at the status of the rezoning process. He was most concerned about how the uncertainty was affecting the children of the district.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of April 18, 2016 and the Called Board Meeting of April 25, 2016

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the regular Board meeting of April 18, 2016 and the called Board meeting of April 25, 2016. A motion was made by Mr. Presley and seconded by Mr. Kelley. The vote was unanimous, and the minutes were approved.

B. Personnel Actions

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the personnel actions. Mr. Presley made the motion with Mrs. Veitch seconding. The motion was approved by unanimous vote. Dr. Murphy then called on Hoover High School Athletic Director, Andy Urban, who introduced Crystal Johnson, newly appointed girls varsity basketball coach.

C. Business Actions

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

D. Partial Re-roofing Bid

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the bid for the partial re-roofing of Bluff Park Elementary School and Shades Mountain Elementary School. A motion was made by Mr. Presley, and Mr. Kelley seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

E. Resolution for Restructuring of the Extended Day Program

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve a resolution authorizing Dr. Murphy to restructure the Extended Day Program. A motion was made by Mr. Presley and seconded by Mr. Kelley. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

F. Policy Manual Updates

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve updates to the Hoover City Schools Policy Manual. Dr. Murphy explained that these updates had been vetted by the Alabama Association of Schools Boards and represent adopted legislation. Mr. Kelley entered the motion with Mrs. Veitch seconding. By unanimous vote, the motion passed.

G. Textbook Adoption

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve adoption of a list of textbooks. A motion was given by Mr. Presley, and Mr. Kelley gave a second. The vote passed by a unanimous vote.

VIII. INFORMATION/REPORTS

Jason Harpe of Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC. explained to the Board that governmental entities providing defined benefit pension plans must recognize in their financial statements their long-term obligation for pension benefits as a liability for the first time, and to more comprehensively and comparably measure the annual costs of these pension benefits (i.e, the size and nature of the financial obligations to current and former employees for past services rendered).

IX. NEW BUSINESS

President Murphy thanked Dan Fulton for his dedication in being present at each Board meeting and his audio recording of the meetings. Mr. Murphy announced that City Council Member Gene Smith wanted to sponsor a meeting to review the finances of Hoover City Schools and see where help could be given.

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Graduation Dates/Times

Superintendent Murphy reminded the Board and the audience of the upcoming graduations. Crossroads School's graduation will be held on May 23 at 7:00 PM. May 25, 5:00 PM will be Spain Park High School's graduation, and Hoover High School's ceremony will be May 26, 7:00 PM.

B. Code of Conduct

Dr. Murphy announced to the Board that the proposed changes in the Code of Conduct would be posted for their review the next day following the Board meeting. Any questions or suggestions can be noted to the on-line document.

C. Rezoning

Superintendent Murphy reported that she had spoken to Judge Haikala the previous week, after which, the judge requested information and reports dealing with student data. Those documents have and will be submitted to the court by the time requested. Hopefully the judge's decision will be forthcoming as to the future of the rezoning proposal.

XI. ELECTION OF 2016-2017 BOARD OFFICERS

Superintendent Murphy began the election process by announcing that the guidelines to the election procedure would be based on Robert's Rules of Order. Louise White would be appointed clerk. Dr. Murphy then opened the floor for nominations for President of the Board. Mr. Murphy nominated Stephen Presley. Dr. Murphy called for any additional nominations, which there were none. By unanimous vote, Mr. Presley was elected President. Dr. Murphy then called for nominations for Vice-President. Mr. Kelley nominated Earl Cooper. There were no additional nominations. Therefore, by unanimous vote, Mr. Cooper was elected as Vice-President.

XII. DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next regular Board meeting will be June 13, 2016 at 5:30PM at the Central Office.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Murphy announced that the Board would need to meet in an Executive Session. Mr. Presley entered the motion, with Mrs. Veitch seconding. The time was 7:10 PM.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Upon their return from the Executive Session and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.



Superintendent



Board President