

November 2, 2015

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 2, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Conference Room at Jones School.

Members present were John Daniel Allen, Julie Keny Cathey, John Dippold, Kristen Gold, Susan Hunter, Harvey Jones, Ken Lilly, and Sheryl McClintock. Donnie Moses was absent.

In the absence of Chairman Moses, Vice-Chairman Lilly conducted the meeting.

Before the meeting began, Ms. Abernathy introduced Becky Blackall as the incoming board secretary, replacing Rhonda Poole.

Prayer/Pledge

Ms. Abernathy asked that the agenda be shifted to allow the recognitions be held prior to the Forrest gym bids. Ms. Hunter made a motion, with a second by Mr. Dippold, to approve the agenda with the change. The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Abernathy recognized Sonya Hawkins and SRO Robert Warf as the Classified Employees of the Month. She then announced that the Gene Haas Foundation has donated \$10,000 to be used toward student scholarships. The scholarship is managed by Spot Lowe; the funds will be used to purchase machinist tools for award recipients who plan to continue their education in machining.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Mr. Allen, to accept the low bids presented for the Forrest Gym construction (attached), and move forward with the project. The motion passed 8-0.

Rick Daugherty of Orion then presented a completion schedule for the gym, as well as a project budget summary.

During the MCEA Report, Vicki Michael stated that Ms. Randolph (MCEA president) will be attending an organizing summit this weekend at Cool Springs where she'll hear presentations on the hot topics for education.

There were no committee reports. Ms. Cathey asked that the Five-Year Strategic Plan be placed on the December agenda to schedule a meeting in January. Ms. McClintock scheduled a Curriculum Committee meeting for Monday, December 14 at 5:00 p.m. prior to the 6:00 board meeting.

Presented on the Consent Agenda: FHS Softball Team to Panama City Beach during Spring Break; Food Service Surplus; Bus Garage Surplus. Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Mr. Dippold, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to approve the 2016-2017 school calendar (attached) pending changes in next year's testing window. The motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to approve the Contractor's Pay Request (attached). The motion passed 8-0.

There was no new business.

During the Director's Report, Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock to approve the only bid submitted for a Robotic Work Cell (attached). The rules were suspended to allow SPLW Director Lyn Stacey to address the topic. The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Abernathy informed the board teacher Shawn Rollins, who had previously left the system and returned, was inadvertently left off the tenure list during the October board meeting. Ms. Gold made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to reinstate tenure to Mr. Rollins. The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Abernathy concluded the meeting by telling the board that the resolution for the air conditioning in the LMS gym was approved by the county commission; the specs are being worked on and will be put out for bids shortly. Testing in the schools will begin this week with various tests being given through May. She thanked Kathy Callahan for donating \$2,000 to MCHS sports, and then told the board that Ms. Moses will soon update the BEP sheets.

Before the meeting adjourned, Mr. Lilly thanked Ms. Poole for her hard work over the years.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth Lilly, Vice Chairman

Jackie Abernathy, Director