

December 8, 2014

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Conference Room at Jones School.

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

Prayer/Pledge

Mr. Lilly made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the agenda; the motion passed 8-0.

Director Abernathy and Deputy Director Sorrells recognized the 100% TCAP and End of Course students.

Ms. Abernathy then honored the Classified Employees of the Month: Pam Finley, MES; Jennifer Foster, OGES; Betsy Gentry, MCHS; and Beth Stockwell, C.O.

During the Maintenance Committee report, Mr. Lilly stated the committee met on November 17, during which the members discussed roof updates. At this point, Mr. Lilly turned the meeting over to Rick Daugherty of Orion, who presented an update on the building program. Following Mr. Daugherty's presentation, Jim Bailey of Johnson + Bailey gave his recommendation on the placement of the Forrest Middle School gym. Ms. Gold made a motion, with a second by Mr. Perryman, to construct the new gym at the front of the building, where the existing gym sits, and use the schematic and floor plan provided by Johnson + Bailey to put the project out for bids. Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock, to amend the motion to read "and investigate additional footage behind the gym, as an alternate". The amendment passed 8-0. The original motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Lilly made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2014, regular session, and the November 26 and December 2, 2014, executive committee sessions. The motion passed 8-0.

During the MCEA report, President Nicky Randolph informed the board of new TEA initiatives, which include making strides to help teachers improve classroom instruction.

Mr. Lilly made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the 2014 LEA Compliance Report. The motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock, to approve the 2015 graduation dates: Cornersville High School, Thursday, May 21, 7:00 p.m.; Marshall County High School, Friday, May 22, 7:00 p.m.; Forrest High School, Saturday, May 23, 9:00 a.m. The motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Ms. Gold, to approve the resolution and back-up to resolution (attached). The motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock, to approve the 2015-2016 school calendar (attached). The motion passed 6-2, with Ms. Gold and Mr. Lilly voting no.

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

There was no new business.

To begin the Director's Report, Ms. Abernathy told the board that the maintenance contract between the school system and the county has expired (although the contract has been extended for more discussion). She mentioned that some issues have surfaced which revealed problems with purchasing parts and performing maintenance on county buildings. She went on to state that some members of the commission have suggested that the work orders continue to go through the school system's maintenance department but the county maintenance employees, who are supervised by the school system, should order parts. Ms. Abernathy feels that if the school system oversees maintenance on county buildings, it should be as the contract states: Maintenance Office Manager will be required to get quotes for ordering parts and supplies needed to complete the work requested and also required to get parts ordered. The rules were suspended to allow Jeff Brock, Maintenance Foreman, a chance to answer questions. Mr. Lilly made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to renew the maintenance contract with the county exactly as the contract appears, and if that's not agreeable to the county commission, it would be the commission's prerogative to take on the work themselves. The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Abernathy asked the board if they would like to hold ribbon cuttings for the new additions at the three Lewisburg elementary schools prior to the January board meeting. It was decided the members would meet at the Central Office to travel as a group in vans, then return to the Central Office for the January board meeting.

Concluding the Director's Report: the process of putting a cell phone in every classroom is underway and should be completed by Christmas; a revised audit report was placed at each board member's seat; repair on the intercom at CHES should be completed by Friday, December 12, 2014.

Ms. Abernathy wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Donnie Moses, Chairman

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Jackie Abernathy, Director