

March 9, 2015

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 9, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Conference Room at Jones School.

Members present were John Daniel Allen, Julie Keny Cathey, Kristen Gold, Susan Hunter, Harvey Jones, Ken Lilly, Sheryl McClintock, Donnie Moses, and Randy Perryman. No members were absent.

Prayer/Pledge

Mr. Lilly made a motion, with a second by Ms. Cathey, to approve the agenda. The motion passed 8-0 (Ms. Gold had not arrived at this time).

Director Abernathy recognized the 2015 Teachers of the Year: Marsha Townsend, Tara Stacey, Mary Hickerson, Brenda Brown, Jan Salsman, Kim Rudd, Eric Crabtree, Sally Hobbs, Madalyn Beech, Shawn Gilbert, Vickie Michael, Jason Donahue, Estelle Long, Mike Whitehead, and Danny Adams.

Ms. Abernathy then honored the Classified Employees of the Month: Judy Harwell, LMS; Beverly Jett, Central Office; Betty Jo Love, OGES; Brenda Phifer, CHES; and Carol Spence, MCHS.

Ms. Hunter made a motion, with a second by Mr. Allen, to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2015, regular session, and the February 10 and February 13 executive committee sessions. The motion passed 9-0.

During the MCEA report, Vickie Michael told the board of an upcoming Minority Conference and a Spring Symposium, and a TEA forum which was in progress this evening in Fayetteville.

There were no committee reports. Ms. Gold scheduled a Budget Committee meeting for Monday, March 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Mr. Allen, to approve the resolution (attached). The motion passed 9-0.

Ms. Hunter made a motion, with a second by Ms. Gold, to approve the textbook adoption (attached). The motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock, accept the wireless equipment bid submitted by MXN (attached). The motion passed 9-0.

During Annual Agenda, Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Gold, to continue using Lewis, Thomason, King, Krieg and Waldrop, P.C., as the board's attorney. The motion passed 9-0.

Since there were no job description changes, the board took no action on this topic.

Instead of having a work session, the board agreed to allow Ms. Abernathy to create a new annual agenda for presentation to the board.

Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the Contractor's Pay Request (attached). The motion passed 9-0.

There was no new business.

During the Director's Report, Ms. Abernathy stated that following the tour of Forrest School the board made the previous week, she now has three options for renovations and new construction at the school. Mr. Lilly made a motion, with a second by Ms. Gold, to rescind the motion made in the February 9, 2015, meeting ("Prepare a quote package for the construction and renovation of an auxiliary gym and provide a secondary number as an alternate for the wrestling room.") in order to take a vote on the new options. The motion passed 8-1, with Mr. Perryman voting no. Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Mr. Perryman, to consider option 2.

Mr. Jones withdrew his motion, and made a motion to renovate the existing computer lab and chemistry lab, turn the gym as pictured in options 1 and 3, refurbish the existing restrooms with an entrance into the gym, and put dressing rooms and entryway in the best configuration according to the architect in the area that appears as the lobby and restrooms on options 1 and 3 (attached). Mr. Perryman seconded the motion, and the motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to have all rooms at Forrest School re-keyed. The money will come from the building program. The motion passed 9-0.

Ms. Abernathy: thanked Marshall County Stone for scoreboards at Forrest School, and Walmart in Chapel Hill for the \$1,000 donation; stated that letters are being sent to state representatives encouraging them to retain our current pre-kindergarten program.

Ms. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock, to purchase three new vans.

Ms. Abernathy told the board the local winery has offered to be a sponsor for the tennis team, but as part of the sponsorship they would like to put up a sign. She then cited board policy 1.806 (Advertising and Distribution of Materials in the Schools) which states: "The principal shall screen all materials prior to distribution to ensure their appropriateness. The principal may prohibit materials that students would reasonably believe to be sponsored or endorsed by the school." She informed the board she denied the request.

Board members submitted the director's evaluation to Ms. Poole. Ms. Cathey and Ms. McClintock volunteered to serve on the Director's Evaluation Committee to tabulate the evaluations and present the results in the April board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Donnie Moses, Chairman

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Jackie Abernathy, Director