

April 7, 2014

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 7, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room at Jones School.

Members present were Kristen Gold, Susan Hunter, Harvey Jones, Barbara Kennedy, Mike Keny, Ken Lilly, Sheryl McClintock, Donnie Moses, and Randy Perryman. No member was absent.

Prayer/Pledge

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Kennedy, to approve the agenda. The motion passed 9-0.

The following were recognized: County SROs, SCOPE delegates, 2014 TSSAA State Wrestling Champion Tyler McClendon, Middle TN Wrestling Coach of the Year Kyle Stacey, District Coach of the Year Wes Hobbs, and the 2014 Teachers of the Year.

Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Mr. Lilly, to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2014, regular session, and the March 17 and March 26, 2014, executive sessions. The motion passed 9-0.

There was no MCEA Report.

In the Five-Year Strategic Plan Committee report, Mr. Lilly stated the committee met February 24 to discuss where the system stood with the current plan; during that meeting, the committee voted unanimously to add virtual schools into the plan. Mr. Lilly made a motion, with a second by Mr. Moses, to accept the plan with the addition; the motion passed 9-0.

In the Curriculum Committee report, Ms. Gold stated the committee met before tonight's board meeting to discuss two items: Textbook Adoption and Additional Elective Focus Area (both attached). Ms. Gold made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the Textbook Adoption list; the motion passed 9-0. Ms. Gold made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to add the additional elective focus area; the motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Gold, to approve a resolution and backup to the resolution regarding PARCC (attached). The motion passed 9-0.

Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock, to approve the technology salvage list (attached). The motion passed 9-0.

In discussing the director's performance evaluation, Mr. Moses stated that in light of the building program and other activities, he would like the board to consider extending Ms. Abernathy's contract for an additional year. Mr. Moses made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to put on the agenda for the May meeting the discussion of extending Ms. Abernathy's contract for one year. The motion passed 9-0.

There was no new business.

During the Director's Report, the board agreed to host a reception for the county's Valedictorians and Salutatorians prior to the May board meeting.

Ms. Abernathy introduced Thomas Osteen, the new head football coach at Marshall County High School. Coach Osteen took a few minutes to address the board.

Continuing Director's Report, Ms. Abernathy explained she had sent an email to teachers to see if any are interested in driving a school bus; she received around 10 responses. Ms. Kennedy made a motion to suspend the rules and allow County Mayor Joe Boyd Liggett to address the board on the subject. Ms. Hunter made a motion, with a second by Mr. Perryman, to allow Ms. Abernathy to pursue this avenue for securing drivers. Prior to the vote, Ms. Abernathy revealed that Randy Blackmon has indicated he will not be the transportation supervisor next school year, and that position will be posted soon. The motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to approve posting for summer help positions (painters, roofers, high school workers). The motion passed 9-0.

The school system has \$114,000 from the liquor tax. The city will meet during the week to determine how the funds will be paid to the system.

Ms. Abernathy stated that the system has \$250,000 at the courthouse that could be used to begin roof repairs. During discussions, the board determined to allow Mr. Sorrells and Mr. Turner (Stephen Ward & Associates) to decide the priority of the projects. Mr. Moses made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to spend the \$250,000 and get started with repairs. Prior to the vote, Mr. Moses scheduled a budget committee meeting for Thursday, May 1 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss what funds are available in addition to the \$250,000. The motion passed 9-0.

Concluding her Director's Report, Ms. Abernathy said that she is still waiting to see what the state does with Common Core, PARCC, and RTI².

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Keny, Chairman

Jackie Abernathy, Director