

September 24, 2013

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, September 24, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room at Jones School.

Members present were Susan Hunter, Harvey Jones, Barbara Kennedy, Mike Keny, Ken Lilly, Sheryl McClintock, Donnie Moses, and Randy Perryman. Kristen Gold was absent.

Prayer/Pledge

Ms. Abernathy opened the floor for nominations for Chairman of the Board. Mr. Jones nominated Mr. Keny for the position. Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to close nominations. The motion passed 8-0; Mr. Keny was named Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Keny then asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman. Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Mr. Moses, to nominate Ms. Gold. The motion passed 8-0. Ms. Gold will serve as the Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Keny then asked for nominations for Chairman Pro-Tem. Ms. Hunter made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to nominate Mr. Perryman. The motion passed 8-0. Mr. Perryman will serve as Chairman Pro-Tem.

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

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. McClintock, to keep monthly board meetings on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Mr. Perryman, to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2013, regular session and the August 21, 2013, executive committee sessions (two sets). The motion passed 8-0.

There was no MCEA report.

Ms. Abernathy presented the Curriculum Committee report in Ms. Gold's absence. During the report, Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Kennedy, to hire an interventionist at Westhills. The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Kennedy scheduled a Policy Committee meeting for Monday, October 7 at 5:30 p.m.

Concerning policy 4.700 Testing Programs, the board suspended the rules to allow LMS principal Randy Hubbell to answer some questions. Afterwards, the board decided to leave the percentage at 15 that TCAP will count on a student's final grade. No action was needed.

Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Mr. Moses, to amend policy 5.106 Application and Employment as marked. The motion passed 8-0. The policy will be included in the October board packet for a second reading.

Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Mr. Moses, to add a swim team at MCHS with the team consisting of participants from all three high schools. The board suspended the rules to allow Athletic Director Kevin McGehee to address the board. Following Coach McGehee's presentation, Ms. Kennedy amended her motion to include allowing the swim team to have a barbecue fundraiser (with a goal of raising \$300.00). The motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the surplus book list (attached). The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Mr. Moses, to approve the salvage list (attached). The motion passed 8-0.

There was no new business.

During the Director's Report, Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve a resolution as presented, with the addition of a statement concerning CTE, to send to the governor and general assembly in support of Dan Lawson's letter. The motion passed 8-0.

Continuing her Director's Report, Ms. Abernathy told the board of land for sale behind Oak Grove Elementary School, and announced that the commission passed the budget with a 3-1/2% raise for support personnel. After the information concerning the raise, Mr. Moses made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the adjusted salary schedule (attached) for support personnel (new hires only). The motion passed 8-0.

Ms. Kennedy made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to reinstate a guidance counselor at Forrest Middle School. The motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to approve using Title rollover money to hire an additional academic coach and six part-time Educational Assistants. The motion passed 8-0.

Concluding the Director's Report, Ms. Abernathy stated that homeschooled students who have zero tolerance offenses cannot participate in the system's extracurricular activities. She thanked Marshall Medical Center, The Dollar Tree, Kroger, and Walmart for the donations of school supplies, and Southern Carton for the donation of boxes used to move library books between schools.

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Keny, Chairman

Jackie Abernathy, Director