# Minutes Clarksville-Montgomery County Board of Education

# February 11, 2014

The Clarksville-Montgomery County Board of Education met Tuesday, February 11, 2014 in the Board room, central administration offices, 621 Gracey Avenue, Clarksville, TN. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were: George Giles, Chairman; Josh Baggett, Jimmie Garland, Stephanie Lobdell, Horace Murphy, Jr., and Anne Murtha. Also present were: B. J. Worthington, Director of Schools; Jill Ayers, Board Attorney; Sean Impeartrice, Chief Academic Officer; Elise Shelton, Chief Communications Officer; Jim Sumrell, Chief Operations Officer; Jeanine Chester, Chief Human Resources Officer; David Holman, Chief Technology Officer; and Teresa Rawls, Secretary, who kept the minutes of the meeting. The following members of the County Commission School Liaison Committee were present: Joe Creek, Robert Gibbs, John Gannon, and Ron Sokol.

## **Point of Pride**

High School Director Dr. Rosalyn Evans introduced the 2014 CMCSS Valedictorians to receive a Point of Pride Award. The students are Clare Isabella Grady from Clarksville High; Steven LeGrande James from Kenwood High; Madison Paige Gaither from Montgomery Central High; Amber Nicole Woods from Northeast High; Zachary Austin Resendez from Northwest High; Sheev Manoj Zaver from Rossview High; and Si Eun (Teresa) Kim from West Creek High School. Each of these students has an A average.

Dr. Evans introduced Alexis Mihalinec to receive a Point of Pride Award. Alexis is a sophomore at Rossview High School and has founded her own not-for-profit and successfully helped a number of children by providing them with school supplies. She has collected thousands of dollars through her STEPS (School Tools that Empower and Promote Success) organization.

#### **Public Conversation**

There were no requests to address the Board at this session.

#### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Mr. Murphy made a motion to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. The motion, seconded by Mr. Baggett, carried unanimously. Consent Agenda items were:

- January 14, 2014 regular session minutes
- Resolution for Budget Amendments to the 2013-2014 Consolidated Budget, first reading February 4, 2014

## **Policy Monitoring**

Dr. Worthington presented the policy monitoring report for <u>EL-3 – Personnel Administration</u> noting compliance with this executive limitation. Mr. Baggett made a motion to declare full compliance with the executive limitation for the current reporting period. The motion was seconded by Mr. Garland and carried 6-0.

## **Reports**

Chief Financial Officer Danny Grant presented the report for Goal 10 – Increase alternative funding sources. Mr. Grant stated that a decision had been made to include this in strategic work and aggressively pursue alternative funding through grants. A goal was set to add \$10 million to grant funding over 5-10 years. In 2012-13 grants funding was \$6 million and today the district is \$10 million higher than the average over the last decade. Mr. Grant recognized the work that Dr. Kimmie Sucharski does in writing grants for the district and in her understanding of how grants fit in with the goals and work of the district. The district seeks grants that align with our strategic work. Grant funding has been accessed for use in our high school academies, after-school programs, academic intervention programs, technology, wellness initiatives, parent engagement, district leadership, and many other areas. Mr. Grant presented information about specific grants, their amount, duration, and how they are being used to address needs of students and align with strategic work. He also discussed grants that are in progress and how the district plans to use funds should they be awarded.

# **Board Member Comments**

Mr. Giles thanked Mr. Grant and others involved for their work on grants as they provide our students with many opportunities that otherwise would not be possible. Ms. Murtha thanked the staff for their work on writing and securing grants and for the great report.

# **Director of Schools Report**

Dr. Worthington commented on the high school academy recruiting meetings that are taking place across the district to inform parents and 8<sup>th</sup> graders about the academies. He commented that parents are complimenting the district for making these opportunities available to students. Dr. Worthington also commented that Open Enrollment concludes on February 21.

Items on the agenda having been concluded, Mr. Giles adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

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**Board Secretary**