Minutes Clarksville-Montgomery County Board of Education

March 13, 2018

The Clarksville-Montgomery County Board of Education convened Tuesday, March 13, 2018 in the Board Room central administration offices, 621 Gracey Avenue, Clarksville, TN. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present were: Chair Charlie Patterson, Jimmie Garland, Josh Baggett, Margaret Pace, Anne Murtha, George Giles and Willie Freeman. Also present were: Mr. Millard House, Director of Schools; Katie Olita, General Counsel; James Sumrell, Chief Operations Officer; Elise Shelton, Chief Communications Officer; Jeanine Johnson, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dr. Sean Impeartrice, Chief Academic Officer; and Deb Cummings, Secretary, who documented minutes of the meeting. Members of the County Commission School Liaison Committee present were: Charlie Keene, Wallace Redd, John Genis, David Harper, and Jerry Allbert.

Point of Pride Awards

Dr. Jean Luna recognized those students who performed in the TSSAA State wrestling championship. Coaches, principals, and assistant principals were also in attendance.

Rossview High State Medalists: Robin Yunis Emma Walker

Jasmine Barrios Brielle Bissonette

Jeffery Tex Price, Coach

Other CMCSS Representatives : Cathlin Green, NEHS Vivian Hurn, MCHS

Abigal Vance, WCHS Blake Spink, NWHS

Deyla Brito-Perez, NWHS Katherine Palmieri, NWHS

Bradley Williams, CHS

Dr. Jean Luna congratulated Rossview High for having the only band with students selected for the All-State band. They included: Hunter Keeran, Olivia Voldarski, Adeline Carter, Ashley Rands, Zach Webber, Frankie Rivera, Shelby White, and band director, Brock Cobb.

Dr. Mary Gist commended Kim McDaniel, Kenwood Middle social studies teacher, for being recognized as a nominee for the Tennessee Council for the Social Studies Teacher-of-the-Year. Ms. McDaniel was honored at the state convention earlier this month.

Approval of Consent Agenda

On a motion by Mr. Garland and seconded by Mr. Giles, the Board approved the Consent Agenda 7-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were:

- February 20, 2018 regular session minutes
- 2017-2018 Special Course Request, first reading 02/27/2018
- Textbook Adoption Certification, first reading 03/06/2018
- Surplus Property Vehicles, first reading 03/06/2018
- Surplus Property Rossview High Skills Club Tiny House, first reading 03/06/2018

Policy Monitoring

The policy monitoring report for Executive Limitation 5 – Financial Administration was interpreted by Mr. House. The Director of Schools shall not cause nor allow fiscal jeopardy or a material deviation from the annual budget or budget policy adopted by the Board, or any fiscal condition that is inconsistent with achieving the priorities established in the Board's Ends Policies. The motion was made by Mr. Giles to declare full compliance for this reporting period of EL-5 and seconded by Mr. Baggett. Motion passed 7-0.

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Policy Monitoring (continued)

The policy monitoring report for Executive Limitation 12 – Rezoning was interpreted by Mr. House. Because demographic circumstances change and populations increase or decrease with time, the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System is required from time to time to implement rezoning initiatives. Consequently, the Director of Schools shall not fail to recommend and implement rezoning decisions based on stated constraints. The motion was made by Mr. Freeman to declare full compliance for this reporting period of EL-12 and seconded by Ms. Murtha. Motion passed 7-0.

Reports

<u>Goal # 10 – Develop user-friendly online resources for stakeholder groups</u> was presented by the Elise Shelton, Chief Communications Officer. Ms. Shelton shared that surveys indicate approximately 95% of employees, parents and stakeholders search online for information via smartphones. Ms. Shelton commented there are many online communication resources available to our stakeholders which include Facebook Live, Focus Video, School Messenger, and Engage TV. Information disseminated through these media outlets include topics such as job fairs, Pass and Go, back to school activities, Red Carpet Teacher of the Year events, summer registration, student pre-enrollment, and many others.

Ms. Shelton discussed the new web redesign which will include an improved CMCSS web portal as well as an intranet for employees. The main focus is to provide user-friendly access and enhance interactivity in all topics of interest. One particular area of concentration has been with the Human Resources page and the integration of various steps for our applicants in applying for open positions.

Next steps involve communicating the website launch to stakeholders in May/June, completing website design work with a full launch before the beginning of the 2018-19 school year, and continue to implement tools and resources for stakeholders' online activity.

Comments

Board Members

Ms. Pace thanked Ms. Shelton for her leadership and the outstanding service the Communications department provides to make certain the district and public are timely informed in all areas.

Chair Patterson commented on the school safety and security forum on March 12 and said he thought the session was very thorough and of great substance. He also mentioned the individual school videos on Facebook and shared his appreciation for that work.

Director of Schools Report

Mr. House mentioned how pleased he was with the school security forum last night and valued the feedback received as well as the coordinated collaboration of our partners. He extended his appreciation to all stakeholders involved for their support and commitment to ensure the safety of our students. Mr. House extended a special shout-out to Tommy Butler (Safety and Health Director) and his team in the organization of our quarterly stakeholders meetings. These meetings are instrumental in providing clear direction and to assure the tracking of all aspects of school security is first and foremost.

Mr. House briefed the Board on his recent trip to Washington, DC to the Citizens for Ft. Campbell event. This is an annual trip hosted by the Clarksville Chamber to support the efforts of our Ft. Campbell partners in reference to funding. Mr. House commented great value was added by the presence of APSU and Montgomery County. He also felt it was a very meaningful and productive meeting with the legislators to help them understand how many students that we serve at APSU and CMCSS and what the continued support of our military means to these families and our students.

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Director of Schools Report (continued)

Mr. House reminded the Board of the State Championship competition this week with Northeast men's basketball team and to remember them in their accomplishments as they represent our district.

Items on the agenda having been completed, Board Chair Patterson adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Charlie Patterson Board Chair

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Millard L. House, II Director of Schools

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