

**Minutes
Clarksville-Montgomery County
Board of Education**

September 18, 2018

The Clarksville-Montgomery County Board of Education convened Tuesday, September 18, 2018 in the Boardroom 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, Danny Kittrell and Carol Berry. Also present were: Mr. Millard House, Director of Schools; Katy Olita, General Counsel; Dr. Sean Impeartrice, Chief Academic Officer; David Holman, Chief Technology Officer; Jeanine Johnson, Chief Human Resources Officer; Danny Grant, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Angela Huff, Chief of Staff; Jim Sumrell, Chief Operations Officer; and Deb Cummings, Secretary, who documented minutes of the meeting. Members of the County Commission School Liaison Committee present: David Harper, Jerry Allbert, and Charlie Keene.

Board Consideration of Director of Schools Contract

General Counsel Katy Olita addressed the Board to explain the process in considering Mr. House's contract. There are two proposed amendments to the contract in addition to requesting an extension of the terms by one year renewing the contract through June 30, 2022. The proposed amendments include retirement reimbursement and life insurance contribution both payable directly to the Director annually in July.

Ms. Olita stated she would entertain a motion to approve the amendments and renewal of Mr. House's contract. On a motion made by Mr. Garland and seconded by Mr. Patterson, the Board approved 7 – 0.

Point of Pride Awards

In July, approximately 1,500 Latin students gathered at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio for the National Junior Classical League convention. Students from Rossvie and Montgomery Central High Schools competed in a variety of academic, artistic, and athletic events. Those students who placed in the top 10 in the nation in at least one event were recognized by Dr. Jean Luna as follows: Samantha McIntyre (MCHS - teacher Laura Long); Emily Caldarelli, Grayson Cobb, Zachary Costa, Hannah Dodson, Sawyer Griffy, and Lily Oliver all from Rossvie High along with teacher Ryan Vinson.

Dr. Luna congratulated Olivia Voldarski from Rossvie High who was selected as the first CMCSS student to participate in the National Association for Music Education All-Honor Band. Her music teacher is Brock Cobb.

Rossvie High U.S. History and Government teacher Tony Malone was commended by Dr. Luna for being invited to present his paper describing the impact of the New Jersey militia during the American Revolution at the Ohio Valley History Conference.

The College Football Playoff Foundation partnered with the Southeastern Conference to recognize teachers through the CFP Extra Yard for Teachers. Clarksville High science teacher Melissa Nolan was chosen by CHS graduate Salera Jordan, who is now on the Women's Soccer team at the University of TN – Knoxville. Mrs. Nolan teaches biology, anatomy and AP environmental science.

Public Conversation

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

Approval of Consent Agenda

On a motion by Mr. Baggett and seconded by Mr. Garland, the Board approved the Consent Agenda 7-0. Consent Agenda consisted of :

- August 14, 2018 regular session minutes
- Surplus Property – Custodial Equipment, 1st Read, September 11, 2018

Policy Monitoring

The policy monitoring report for Executive Limitation 11 – Capital Projects was interpreted by Mr. House. The Director of Schools shall not fail to insure that District facilities are safe and adequate in order to accomplish the Board’s policies and priorities. A motion was made by Ms. Pace to declare full compliance for this reporting period of EL-11 and was seconded by Ms. Murtha. Motion passed 7 – 0.

Reports

Goal # 3 - Enhance Early Learning Opportunities was presented by Emily Vaughn, Director Curriculum and Instruction. Ms. Vaughn discussed the vision of proficient reading and noted that in 2018 CMCSS growth trajectory was 2.6% and 4.1% in 2019. CMCSS students proficient on TN Ready averaged 46.4 % compared to the State of 37%. Ms. Vaughn explained the Read to be Ready goal which is 75% of Tennessee students will be reading on grade level by 2025. Plans to accomplish this objective will include setting a high bar of excellence for teaching and learning, developing capacity and expertise in educators, providing resources and learning opportunities for teachers and leaders, and supporting schools and educators to drive continuous improvement.

Board Discussion & Consideration

Board Election of Officers and Depository Authorization

Pursuant to GP-11, Ms. Olita opened the floor to nominations from the Board to select a new Board Chair. Mr. Baggett nominated Ms. Pace. Mr. Patterson made a motion to cease nominations which was seconded by Mr. Garland and motion signified. Vote passed unanimously to elect Ms. Pace as Board Chair.

Ms. Olita opened the floor to nominations for Vice-Chair. Mr. Baggett nominated Ms. Murtha for Vice Chair. Ms. Berry made a motion to cease nominations and was seconded by Mr. Garland and motion signified. Vote passed unanimously to elect Ms. Murtha as Vice-Chair. The Board officers will serve October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

Ms. Olita stated the next order of business is the Depository Authorization which authorizes the newly elected Board Chair to conduct financial business on behalf of the district. Ms. Olita explained that in the past the process has required two readings, however, because of time constraints in getting these forms to the banks, a motion was made by Mr. Baggett to waive the first reading and was seconded by Mr. Patterson. Vote to waive passed 7-0. Another motion was submitted by Mr. Garland to vote on the authorization and was seconded by Mr. Kittrell. Motion passed 7-0.

Comments

Ft. Campbell School Liaison Officer

Dr. McQuirter commented she was extremely pleased to receive information regarding the enhanced early learning presentation and shared that the Ft. Campbell district has similar programs available in addition to tutoring.

County Commissioner

Commissioner David Harper reported that in the near future there would be two new County Commissioners assigned to the School Liaison team in addition to himself, Charlie Keene, and Jerry Allbert.

Board Members

The entire Board expressed their appreciation for work being done with reference to the early learning opportunities and complimented Ms. Vaughn and her team for their outstanding efforts.

Ms. Pace thanked the Board for their confidence in her as the new Chair for 2018-2019.

Director of Schools Report

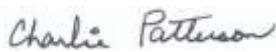
Mr. House extended his thanks to Mr. Patterson and Ms. Pace for their service and leadership as Chair and Vice Chair respectively this past year. Mr. House publically welcomed new Board members Ms. Carol Berry and Mr. Danny Kittrell and thanked them for their commitment to the district.

Mr. House reported that CMCSS was recently invited to present our strategic work at the Superintendent's Study Council which was attended by Governor Haslam and Commissioner McQueen along with many gubernatorial candidates. Positive feedback was received and there were many requests for copies of the presentation. Thanks to Dr. Sucharski for her assistance in the preparation of the presentation.

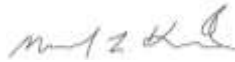
Mr. House shared that the State organization SCORE has made a similar request for CMCSS to present at a career alignment event for 300 Directors across the country. Mr. House and Dr. Impeartrice will be taking this opportunity to proudly communicate all the extraordinary work being done in Montgomery County on the educational front.

Mr. House stated that in the midst of the legislative season we will be studying our legislative agenda and meeting with all our legislators for their input specifically around education in an effort to gain their insight and assistance in building our agenda for 2019.

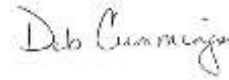
Items on the agenda having been completed, Board Chair Patterson adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.



Charlie Patterson
Board Chair



Millard L. House II
Director of Schools



Deb Cummings
Board Secretary