

April 10, 2017

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 10, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Conference Room at Jones School.

Members present were John Daniel Allen, Julie Keny Cathey, John Dippold, Kristen Gold, Susan Hunter, Harvey Jones, Donnie Moses, Robert Warf, and Andy Woodard. No members were absent.

Prayer/Pledge

Mr. Jones requested that standards for programs be added to New Business; Mr. Dippold asked for a discussion on the parking lot lighting at Forrest. Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Cathey, to approve the agenda with the additions. The motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Sorrells recognized Debbie Hill as the School Bus Garage Classified Employee of the Month and Michelle Perryman as the Chapel Hill Elementary School Classified Employee of the Month.

Mr. Sorrells recognized Westhills Elementary School's Lisa Poarch and Paul Williams for their role in saving a choking student.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Mr. Allen, to accept a scoreboard at Forrest School, donated by the Rocket Diamond Club. The motion passed 9-0.

Kevin Turner of Stephen Ward and Associates presented a roofing update. Ms. Hunter made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the roof contractor's request to extend the deadline 60 days to complete the work at Lewisburg Middle School. The motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hunter, to renew the yearly contract with Team Craft Roofing. The rules were suspended to allow Finance Director Janet Wiles answer the question if we are allowed to renew a contract without rebidding; Mr. Turner and Ms. Wiles stated it was included in the original contract that it could be renewed up to two times. The motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Warf made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to renew the SWA Professional Services contract. The motion passed 9-0.

Tammy Lewis, Coordinator of Elementary Curriculum, informed the board of the system being awarded a Read To Be Ready Summer Grant.

Mr. Allen made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017, regular session. The motion passed 9-0.

During the MCEA report, President Nicky Randolph stated that members have attended several professional development sessions over the past few weekends; MCEA will meet next week to start planning the annual MCEA Luncheon; information about the MCEA Scholarship has been released.

Ms. Gold presented a Budget Committee Report. Ms. Gold scheduled a Budget Committee meeting for Thursday, May 4 at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Ms. Gold, to approve the Pest Control bid submitted by Marshall County Pest Control (MCPC)(attached). Since MCPC did not submit the low bid, board members felt that the past service (MCPC is currently the system's pest control provider), their known service and satisfaction with their service, and the minimal price difference is the justification for awarding MCPC the bid. The motion passed 8-1, with Ms. Hunter voting no.

Mr. Jones made a motion, with a second by Mr. Dippold, to approve the changes to the 2017-2018 School Year Calendar (attached). The motion passed 7-2, with Mr. Moses and Mr. Warf voting no.

Ms. Cathey revealed the final tabulation of the Director's Evaluation. Mr. Sorrells thanked the board for the specific feedback and stated he would work hard to improve his areas of weakness.

During New Business, Mr. Jones expressed the need for meeting certain standards and criteria when considering a program for students' use. Following discussions, it was determined the topic will be addressed during a Curriculum Committee meeting.

Continuing New Business, Mr. Dippold stated he had been contacted by parents who were concerned with the lack of lighting on the back parking lot at Forrest School; some lights are burned out, and additional lights are needed. The board agreed that a maintenance request would be submitted to replace the burned out bulbs; once that is completed, additional needs would be addressed.

During the Director's Report, Mr. Sorrells mentioned four topics that need to be studied: Forrest lights, Cornersville School baseball field lights, coaching supplements, and Preston Hopkins Field. Mr. Sorrells explained that he needs direction from the board, specifically concerning the CVHS lights and Preston Hopkins Field. The board scheduled a Work Session for Wednesday, April 26 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss these issues. Mr. Woodard wanted it on record that lights at Cornersville School are needed, and this is just one building block on improvements needed at Cornersville School.

Ms. Gold made a motion, with a second by Mr. Warf, to approve textbook adoptions. The motion passed 9-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Donnie Moses, Chairman

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Jacob Sorrells, Director