

May 10, 2010

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 10, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in the library of Chapel Hill Elementary School.

Members present were Curt Denton, Kristen Gold, Harvey Jones, Barbara Kennedy, Mike Keny, Craig Michael, Delinda Owens, Randy Perryman, and Ann Tears. No members were absent.

After the Pledge led by CHES student Neely Johns and the prayer, members of the Melody Makers, under the direction of Ms. Sweeney, performed the National Anthem.

CHES principal Dean Delk and yearbook sponsor Ms. Stacey presented the 2009-2010 yearbook to Mr. Dukes.

The following additions were made to the agenda under New Business: Mr. Denton – paper used for board packets; Ms. Kennedy – Technology Fair; Mr. Keny – general announcements. Mr. Denton made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions. Mr. Perryman seconded the motion, and the motion passed 9-0.

The following teachers were recommended for tenure: Allison Underwood, Stephanie Barron, Mateo Coronado, Shawn Rollins, David Lovell, Jessica Church, Erica Grieves, Felisha Harper, Danielle Lewie, Neil Mangrum, Brandy Wilson, Holly Adams, Randy Gaskill, Ashley Hobbs, Karen Wells, Lindsey Browning, John Denton, Karen Carter, Carroll Cope, Laura Nelson, Ryan Henry, Meredith Collins, Heather Denton, Robby Giles, Steven McClanahan, Carolyn Mills, Jacob Sorrells, Sara Sweeney, Don Thomas, David Haston. Mr. Denton made a motion to approve tenure for these teachers. Mr. Perryman seconded the motion and the motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Michael made a motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2010, regular session. The motion passed 8-1. Ms. Kennedy voted no.

Colin Beatty presented his final report as MCEA president, stating president-elect Patty Hill will be taking over.

The following were presented in the consent agenda: Cornersville High School students to yearbook camp at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville 6/2-5/10; Marshall County High School Beta Club to attend National Convention in Louisville, KY, 6/30-7/3/10; Forrest Junior Varsity Cheerleaders to attend camp in Franklin 6/7-10/10; the use of Forrest gym

for Lady Rocket Youth Camp 6/7-10/10. Ms. Kennedy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tears, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 9-0.

Concerning the “Armed for Innovation” grant, board members expressed their desire that, in addition to Lewisburg Middle School, the grant expand to other middle schools in the county in the future. Ms. Kennedy made a motion to accept the grant. Mr. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Denton made a motion to approve resolutions (see attached). Ms. Gold seconded the motion and the motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Ms. Tears, to approve items for surplus (see attached). After discussion, Mr. Denton moved to amend the motion, with a second by Mr. Jones, to remove the 1987 Blue Bird Bus (66 passenger) from the list to investigate if the bus has been equipped with a new motor, and if not to surplus the bus; this motion passed 9-0. Mr. Denton suggested placing the items on govdeals.com. The motion as amended passed 9-0.

Ms. Kennedy made a motion to approve the minimum/maximum credits for 2010-2011 (see attached). Mr. Denton seconded the motion and the motion passed 9-0. Board members asked that future lists indicate added and deleted courses.

Mr. Denton made a motion, seconded by Ms. Owens, to approve the special courses (see attached). Beverly Miller, supervisor of secondary instruction, stated in the future her department will provide only the names of the courses for approval, instead of the entire application. The motion passed 9-0. Ms. Tears urged Ms. Miller to make sure in the “Tennessee History” there are no derogatory comments/issues presented, and in “Health” there are no inappropriate materials.

Mr. Michael made a motion to approve the IDEA-B & Preschool Comprehensive Application (see attached). Ms. Tears seconded the motion. Ms. Gold wanted clarification concerning “General Purpose Fund” on the report, that if the budget is approved by the board, is that the amount that will specifically be in the General Purpose budget; Special Education supervisor Lisa Ventura stated yes. The motion passed 9-0.

In discussion of the Federal Budget, concerns were voiced that the document offered showed only allocations and not an itemization of the budget. Federal Projects supervisor Linda Williams-Lee stated she has a detailed budget that she can email to the board members the following morning for review. Because of deadline issues, reviewing the

Federal Projects budget will be placed on the board’s Annual Agenda for the month of April in the future. Mr. Denton made a motion, with a second by Mr. Michael, to approve the Federal Budget. Mr. Dukes asked that the following statement be reflected in the board minutes: Due to the shortfall in GP budget, we are no longer able to fund the following - Teacher Recruitment (\$5,000), Professional Development (\$60,000), Educational Technology (\$42,368), Safe and Drug Free Schools (\$30,000), and Community Safe (\$10,700). The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes	Mr. Denton	Yes
Ms. Owens	Yes	Ms. Gold	No
Ms. Tears	Yes	Mr. Michael	Yes
Ms. Kennedy	No	Mr. Perryman	No
Mr. Keny	No		

The motion passed 5-4.

In discussing the organizational chart, Mr. Dukes stated the estimated cost savings with the new organizational chart is around \$300,000, with a portion of the savings reflected by eliminating the assistant director position. He added the remainder of the savings would be identified after positions are moved. Mr. Dukes further explained the Deputy Director positions (re-titled positions; not new positions) listed on the chart would share the responsibilities of assistant director while continuing their own responsibilities; he added if the deputy directors were given a supplement to take on the responsibilities, it would cost less than hiring a new employee. Suggestion was made to provide board members with last year’s chart and this year’s chart with dollar amounts attached to each position. Mr. Perryman made a motion, with a second by Ms. Kennedy, to table the issue and hold a Special Called meeting Monday, May 17 to allow the board time to study the chart and discuss details with Mr. Dukes. The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Perryman	Yes	Ms. Tears	No
Mr. Michael	No	Ms. Owens	Yes
Ms. Gold	Yes	Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Denton	No	Mr. Keny	Yes
Ms. Kennedy	Yes		

The motion passed 6-3. A Special Called meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 17 at 6:30 p.m.

In new business, Mr. Denton asked the board to consider, at some point, the board start using laptops/disks instead of the mailed board packets.

Ms. Kennedy invited the board members to the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Marshall County Technology and Energy Fair May 27 from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Marshall County High School.

Mr. Keny reminded the board members of upcoming graduations: Cornersville High School, Thursday, May 20 at 7:00 p.m.; Marshall County High School, Friday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m.; Forrest High School, Saturday, May 22 at 9:00 a.m. He told the board members of a thank you card from the Rocket Band of Blue and from Jerry and Kathy Perry, parents of Jennifer Perry who was honored at the previous month's board meeting for having perfect attendance 13 years.

In the Budget Committee report, Ms. Gold suggested after the special called meeting on Monday night that a budget committee meeting be scheduled. After discussions, it was determined the budget would be discussed at the special called meeting, as well as Ms. Williams-Lee would discuss her budget process in Federal Projects.

In the director's report, Mr. Dukes updated the board on the concrete wall at CVHS, Race To The Top, and Principals Performance Questionnaire. He invited board members to the Cornersville High School Distance Learning Lab on Wednesday, May 12 at 10:30 a.m. to sit in on a class.

Ms. Tears distributed documents to members of the Policy Committee and set the next committee meeting for Thursday, June 3 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mike Keny, Chairman

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Roy Dukes, Director