

March 13, 2008

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, March 13, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room at Jones School.

Members present were Jerry Campbell, Kristen Gold, Tim Harrison, John McCullough, Craig Michael, Randy Perryman, Ann Tears, and Todd Tietgens. Absent was Todd Warner.

The group sang "Happy Birthday" to Ms. Aldridge, Director of Schools.

The Forrest High "Band of Blue" was recognized for winning the Division I state championship. Ms. Cannon of the Band Boosters read a list of the band's accomplishments and left letters for the board which listed their awards and also some of their needs.

Mr. Harrison made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Jim Bailey of Johnson and Bailey Architects to address the Board. Mr. McCullough seconded the motion and the motion passed 8-0. Mr. Bailey presented preliminary drawings of additions and renovations to Marshall Elementary and Westhills Elementary Schools.

Mr. McCullough made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 11, February 14, and February 26, 2008 meetings. Ms. Gold seconded the motion, but the motion was withdrawn. Mr. Michael made a motion to amend the minutes of the February 26, 2008 meeting by changing the sentence "Mr. Michael conveyed his disappointment that teachers were not present at one of the nine schools....." to "Mr. Michael conveyed his disappointment that teachers were not present at Chapel Hill Elementary School" Mr. Tietgens seconded the motion to amend and the motion passed 8-0. Ms. Gold made a motion to approve all minutes including the amended minutes of February 26. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion and the motion passed 8-0.

The following were presented in the consent agenda: Cornersville FFA to travel to Gatlinburg for convention 3/31-4/2, MCHS baseball team to Jasper, TN for tournament 4/25-26, Cornersville FCCLA to Opryland Hotel on 3/25-27 for convention (Janet Wiles is to confirm dates), middle school cheerleading at Forrest requesting to sell Great American Opportunities

products, MCHS FCCLA to Opryland Hotel for convention 3/26-27. Ms. Tears made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the second by Ms. Gold. The motion passed 8-0.

Under new business, Mr. Tietgens made a motion that the Board purchase a ball machine for the MCHS/LMS tennis teams at a price of \$2,392.90. Mr. McCullough seconded the motion. During discussion, Mr. Tietgens reported that the tennis coach, Coach Atkins, had recently been named Tennessee Coach of the Year and Regional Coach of the Year for an 8 state region and asked that the Board recognize Coach Adkins at the next board meeting. Ms. Gold asked that the Board look at overall athletic needs. The motion passed 5-3 (Ms. Tears, Mr. Michael, Ms Gold).

Mr. Harrison made a motion to approve the latest draft of the contract between Stan Curtis and the Marshall County Board of Education with the addition of the term "out of state" inserted on page 4, 8.D. between requested and travel in the first line (see attached). Ms. Gold seconded the motion and the motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Perryman made a motion that a different school be spotlighted each month at the beginning of the board meetings

. Mr. Tietgens seconded the motion and the motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Harrison made a motion to move the next regularly scheduled board meeting to April 17, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed 8-0.

Mr. Michael made a motion to reissue the mowing bid and include the requirement for commercial experience and commercial equipment in the bid which is to be placed in the newspaper. Ms. Tears seconded the motion and the motion passed 7-1 (Tietgens).

In the Director's report, Ms. Aldridge commended the Forrest Lady Rockets for their participation in the state tournament and the Marshall County High School Tigerettes for winning the state tournament. She will invite both teams to the next meeting to be honored for these accomplishments.

Ms. Aldridge distributed a copy of a letter from the Tennessee General Assembly to County Mayor Liggett informing him of proposed legislation which would appropriate excess lottery reserve dollars for school capital outlay. Ms. Aldridge reported that according to the proposed formula, Marshall County Schools could receive approximately \$950,000.

There will be a Budget Committee meeting of the Board on Thursday, April 10, at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Harrison, Chairman

Nancy Aldridge, Director