

METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING –

December 8, 2020 - - *This meeting was held virtually in accordance with Governor Bill Lee's Executive Order #16 that allows Local Governments to hold public meeting electronically to the COVID-19 health crisis.*

Members Present: Christiane Buggs, chair, Freda Player-Peters, Fran Bush, Gini Pupo-Walker, Rachael Anne Elrod vice-chair, Emily Masters, Abigail Tylor, John Little and Sharon Gentry

Meeting called to order: 5:00 p.m.

CONVENE AND ACTION

- A. Call to Order
Christiane Buggs called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Ethan Link – Mr. Link asked the Board not to support larger contractors who participate in Wage Theft.
- B. Amy Pate – Ms. Pate addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning.
- C. Max Pulle – Mr. Pulle addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- D. Christine Pulle – Mr. Pulle addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- E. Heather Powell – Ms. Powell addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- F. Katie Hitt – Ms. Hitt addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- G. Erica Vick Penley – Ms. Penley addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- H. Kass Benchoff – Ms. Benchoff addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.

- I. Lauren Orser – Ms. Orser addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- J. Lauren Herring – Ms. Herring addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- K. Bret Moore – Mr. Moore addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- L. Jennifer Claxton – Ms. Claxton addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- M. Jim Claxton – Mr. Claxton addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- N. Judah Siegand – Mr. Siegand addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- O. Shawn DeMers – Mr. DeMers addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- P. Anne Harris Menge – Ms. Menge addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- Q. Eno Richardson – Ms. Richardson addressed the Board concerning her experience at Republic Schools and asked the Board to renew their charter application.
- R. Melissa Cobb – Ms. Cobb addressed the Board concerning her experience at Republic Schools and asked the Board to renew their charter application.
- S. Kamilah Williams – Ms. Williams addressed the Board concerning her experience at Nashville Prep and asked the Board to renew their charter application.
- T. Dana Brown – Ms. Brown addressed the Board concerning her experience at Nashville Prep and asked the Board to renew their charter application.
- U. Alexis Moore – Ms. Moore addressed the Board concerning her experience at Nashville Prep and asked the Board to renew their charter application.

- V. Courtney Lewis – Ms. Lewis addressed the Board concerning her experience at Nashville Prep and asked the Board to renew their charter application.
- W. Todd Cassetty – Mr. Cassetty addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- X. Lita Salinas – Ms. Salina addressed the Board concerning her experience at Nashville Prep and asked the Board to renew their charter application.
- Y. Trina Johnson – Ms. Johnson addressed the Board concerning her experience at Nashville Prep and asked the Board to renew their charter application.
- Z. Sarah Siegand – Ms. Siegand addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.
- AA. Jaclyn Larson – Ms. Larson addressed the Board concerning Virtual Learning and asked the Board to open schools at the start of 2021.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- A. 1. Consent
 - a. **Approval of Minutes – 10/13/2020 - Meeting**
 - b. **Awarding of Purchases and Contracts**
 - 1. **2B Solutions, Inc.**
 - 2. **ABC Mobile Brake**
 - 3. **Apple, Inc.**
 - 4. **AssetGenie, Inc.**
 - 5. **Binkley Garcia Architecture**
 - 6. **Campus Kaizen LLC**
 - 7. **Enel X North America, Inc.**
 - 8. **Francis Communications, Inc.**
 - 9. **GHA Technologies, Inc.**
 - 10. **MicroReplay, Inc.**
 - 11. **PENCIL Foundation**
 - 12. **Strivven Media LLC**
 - 13. **Thomas Consultants, Inc**

- c. **Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget Amendment Budget and Finance Committee**
- d. **Legal Settlement Claim (\$150,000)**
- e. **Legal Settlement Claim (\$80,000)**

**Motion to approve consent agenda
By Sharon Gentry, seconded Gini Pupo-Walker
Motion Passes
Vote: 9-0**

COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. Ms. Tyler gave a brief report and update on the Capital Needs Committee Meeting.
- B. Ms. Freda Player-Peters gave brief report and update on the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting.

BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

- A. Director's Remarks – Dr. Battle presented a brief PowerPoint to the Board.

ANNOUNCEMENT

- A. Rachael Anne Elrod announced a virtual town hall meeting would be held Dec. 10 and 14 for Overton High School.
- B. Gini Pupo-Walker announced that a MNPS would be hosting a Virtual Hiring Fair on December 14.
- C. Emily Masters encouraged parents to join the Parent Advisory Council to support and engage with MNPS.
- D. Ms. Tyler made a brief statement concerning the lack of funding and how that effects MNPS.

Ms. Buggs adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.



Chris M. Henson
Board Secretary

Christiane Buggs
Board Chair

Date