

# **METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEETING –** June 08, 2021

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

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

## **CONVENE AND ACTION**

- A. Call to Order  
Christiane Buggs called the meeting to order.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Chris Henson, Chief Operating Officer.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- A. Melissa Amrhein – She addressed the Board concerning the Masking policies and guidelines.
- B. Sarah Siegand – She addressed the Board to drop mask mandates.
- C. Asha Carr – She addressed the Board concerning issues with her son wearing masks.
- D. Charlie Friedman – He asked the Board to approve the Nashville Classical School Charter application.
- E. Kevin Walker – He updated the Board on the Parent Advisory Council.
- F. Stephanie Bowman – She asked the Board to approve an optional mask policy.
- G. Diana Aguilar – She asked the Board to approve the Aventura Charter School application.
- H. Judah Siegand – He asked the Board to drop the mask mandates.
- I. Ben Vos – He asked the Board to support students learning financial planning curriculum.
- J. Todd Bowman – He asked the Board to drop the mask mandates.
- K. Lauren Herring – She asked the Board to drop mask mandates.
- L. Jim Claxton – He asked the Board to consider the burden mask mandates place on MNPS staff.

- M. Billie Savage-Short – She addressed the Board concerning Critical Race Theory being taught within MNPS.
- N. Nicole Corey – She asked the Board to have an optional mask policy.
- O. Katherine Herring – She asked the Board to have an optional mask policy.

## **GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

### A. 1. Consent

- a. **Approval of Minutes – 05/11/2021 - Minutes**
- b. **Recommended approval to grant a permanent easement for sanitary sewers and/or storm drainage, water mains, pumps, and appurtenances to Metro Public Works at Antioch High School**
- c. **Awarding of Purchases and Contracts**
  - 1. **Advanced Mechanical Contractors, Inc. (2 contracts)**
  - 2. **AFP Holding, LLC dba Albie's Foods Products, LLC**
  - 3. **Bernhard MCC**
  - 4. **Bongards Creameries**
  - 5. **Brookwood Farms, Inc.**
  - 6. **Butterball, LLC**
  - 7. **CDW-G**
  - 8. **CHC Mechanical Contractors**
  - 9. **Dude Solutions, Inc.**
  - 10. **Food Sales East**
  - 11. **Gold Creek Foods, LLC**
  - 12. **Goodman Food Products dba Don Lee Farms**
  - 13. **Institutional Wholesale Co. Inc.**
  - 14. **Integrated Food Service**
  - 15. **International Food Solutions, Inc., dba Asian Food Solutions**
  - 16. **Jigsaw Learning, LLC dba TeachTown**

17. Johnson Controls, Inc.
  18. J.R. Simplot Company
  19. Land O' Lakes Dairy
  20. M.C.I Foods, Inc.
  21. Michael Foods, Inc.
  22. Nardone Bros Baking Company, Inc.
  23. Nashville State Community College (NSCC)
  24. Pilgrim's Pride Corporation
  25. REA Controls, Inc.
  26. Red Gold, LLC
  27. Republic Services, Inc.
  28. Rock Energy Systems, LLC dba EnergyLogic, LLC
  29. S.M. Lawrence Company, Inc.
  30. Savvas Learning Company, LLC
  31. Smucker Foodservice, Inc.
  32. Southern Heating & Cooling, Inc.
  - ~~33. State Board of Education~~
  34. Tasty Foods, LLC
  35. Trident Seafoods Corporation
  36. Tyson Prepared Foods, Inc.
- d. MNPS Virtual School

Ms. Tylor pulled Item A-1-C-(33) State Board of Education

**Motion to approve the consent agenda**

**By Gini Pupo-Walker, seconded Freda Player-Peters**

**Motion Passes**

**Vote: 9-0**

**Motion to approve Item A-1-c-(33) State Board of Education**

**By Freda Player-Peters, seconded Rachael Anne Elrod**

**Motion Passes**

**Vote: 7-2 (Abstain - Emily Masters and Abigail Tylor)**

## 2. Mask Protocol

**Motion to approve the Mask Protocol**  
**By Christiane Buggs, seconded Sharon Gentry**  
**Motion Passes**  
**Vote: 9-0**

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- A. Director's Report – Dr. Battle and staff presented a report on Focused Outcomes: MAP Update

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Freda Player-Peters thanked the Council for providing additional funding to MNPS to pay for additional unpaid days for support staff.
- B. Gini Pupo-Walker announced that the new Student Board Members would begin attending Board Meeting in the fall.

**Ms. Buggs adjourned the meeting at 5:39 p.m.**



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Chris M. Henson  
Board Secretary

Christiane Buggs  
Board Chair

Date