

MINUTES
CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA

The City Board of Education of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama, met for the Board's regular meeting in the office of the City Superintendent of Education of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama, which is the customary place of holding the meetings of said Board on March 20, 2023, at approximately 6:18 p.m. The meeting followed a work session held in the same location at 5:30 p.m. The secretary called the roll with the following results:

Present: Celia Rudolph
Marilyn Davis
Sonya Allman
Cory King
Clayton Wood
Absent: None

Also present were Chad Holden, Superintendent and ex-officio Secretary to the Board and custodian of its minutes and records, Kelli Nichols, Assistant Superintendent, and Chief School Financial Officer, Sherry Langley. Administrators present included Sheneta Smith, Jason Simmons, Britney Schneider, Diana Ritter, Kevin Davis, and Jeff Madden. Supervisors Dennis Conner, Todd Meckes, and Richard Templeton were also present.

Board President, Dr. Celia Rudolph, declared a quorum present and the meeting duly and legally constituted and open for the transaction of business.

A motion to approve the March 20, 2023, agenda was made by Dr. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Allman. No discussion followed and the motion was subsequently approved with five yes votes.

Superintendent Holden stated the next item on the agenda was a video presentation highlighting achievements from Webster Elementary School.

Dr. Rudolph asked Dr. Holden if any correspondence had been received that he would like to share with the Board. Superintendent Holden stated correspondence had been received from the Alabama Association of Schools Boards (AASB) in regard to the Whole Board Training that is scheduled at the Muscle Shoals Board of Education on August 18, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Also, Board attendance at the AASB Legislative Advocacy Day on either April 18 or May 2 was mentioned.

Dr. Rudolph proceeded with the meeting agenda.

I. Business Action Items

Superintendent Holden read the following resolution regarding Consent Agenda action items:

Consent Agenda Resolution

For the consent agenda, the Board has been furnished with background material on each item or has discussed the item at a previous meeting. Consent Agenda items will be acted upon with one vote without discussion. If a Board member wants to discuss any item, it will be pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

A. Dr. Holden recommended approval of the following Consent Agenda items:

1. *Minutes – February 27, 2023 (Regular Meeting)*
2. *Bills & Accounts for February*
3. *February Financial Report (February bank statements have been reconciled)*
4. *Textbook Adoption (English Language Arts)*
5. *Meeting Time Change (5:00 p.m. on April 24, 2023)*
6. *Community Education/Extended Day Program Fee Increase for 2023-2024*
7. *Purchase of Planetarium Seating – ASH Enterprises International, Inc.*
8. *Technology Acceptable Use Agreement*
9. *FY2022 Audit Findings (presented in Work Session)*

A motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation was made by Mrs. Allman and seconded by Mr. Wood. No discussion followed and the superintendent's recommendation was approved by five yes votes.

B. Personnel Report

Superintendent Holden recommended approval of the Personnel Report. A motion to approve the superintendent's recommendation was made by Mr. Wood and seconded by Mr. King. No discussion followed and the superintendent's recommendation was approved by five yes votes.

For the benefit of the audience, the Personnel Report was read by Dr. Holden.

The Personnel Report is shown at the end of these minutes.

II. Superintendent's Report/Academic Update/Announcements

Student Achievement

- Elementary and middle school show choir groups were commended for outstanding performances of Lion King, Jr. last week and over the weekend. Mr. Wilder, Mrs. Frederick, and the entire cast have really raised the bar! We are already looking forward to next year.
- The high school show choir will present "The Greatest Showman" Tuesday night at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the Stratford Auditorium.
- The high school and middle school bands, as well as the middle school chorus, all received superior ratings at the annual Music Performance Assessment. Due to a death in Mrs. Bradford's family, the high school chorus will reschedule their MPA performance sometime in April.
- Congratulations were given to Science Olympiad winners for placing in the competition at Athens State:
 - a. 1st Place in Fermi Questions: Anush Mainali & Natalie McCabe
 - b. 2nd Place in Write It/Do It: Alexander Van Rensselaer & Kate Scales
 - c. 3rd Place in Rocks & Minerals: Proshat Hekhamenesh & Alyssa Burleson
 - d. 3rd Place in Environmental Chemistry: Vacha Patel & Proshat Hekhamenesh
 - e. 4th Place in Green Generation: Natalie McCabe & Alexander Van Rensselaer
 - f. 5th Place in Bridge Building: Annabelle Ford & Tony Zu

Announcements

- Ms. Sheneta Smith was commended and congratulated for being elected to the CLAS Board of Directors.
- Spring Break will be the week of March 27. Superintendent Holden wished everyone a time of rest and relaxation.

Adjournment

Dr. Rudolph asked if there was any other business to be addressed or any comments from the Board. There being no further remarks, President Rudolph declared the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes approved:

Attest:

Chad Holden

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Personnel Report

I. Employment

1. Jane Hollis Poovey

Teacher of Special Education at Muscle Shoals High School. Ms. Poovey earned her Bachelor’s Degree from the University of Alabama and is currently employed with Disney World. Regular 187 day assignment. Effective for the 2023-2024 School year

II. Other/Part-time/Special Appointments/Supplemental Assignments/Nurse Substitutes

1. Nine (9) Stipends paid to AP teachers

Tutoring stipend for up to 18 total hours each for tutoring instruction of 2022-2023 AP students; to be paid from local funds; \$300/day or regular daily rate if higher.

Tamra Counts (AP Calculus)	Lori Roberts (AP Biology)
Jordan Crow (AP Literature)	Zack Mize (AP History)
Holli Wade (AP Language)	Leella Holt (AP Chemistry)
Troy Rogers (AP History)	Troy Rogers (AP Government)
Tiffany Stonecipher (AP Computer Science)	

2. Spring Dance Clinic instruction and/or choreography, to be paid from Dance account Avery Dumas (\$150.00, MSHS)

3. Unpaid leave request under Board Policy 5.10.2 for extraordinary circumstances Andrew Bishop (HGPS teacher) requests to be off April 27 and 28, used in conjunction with his other personal days for honeymoon travel

4. Tennis Coaching Supplement Reassignment (\$1,200.00)

Remove Drew Smith
Assign to Lanigan Burke

Information Only - Not for board action:

Leave Request

- **Cassie McConnell** (teacher – reading specialist - HPES) has requested leave April 1 through May 25, 2023, flexible with medical needs
- **Morgan Entrekin** (speech/language) has requested leave July 31 through October 1, 2023, flexible with medical needs

Kelly Services Staffing Update

- **No changes**