

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Nashville School District
June 21, 2021

Election of Officers was carried out by the traditional means of rotation. Jamar Finley made a motion to rotate David Hilliard to President, Jamar Finley to Vice President, and Nick Britt to Secretary. David Hilliard seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Nashville School Board was called to order by President David Hilliard at 5:42 PM. Other members present were Jamar Finley and Jerry Wilson. Nick Britt and Tem Gunter were absent.

Jamar Finley made a motion to approve the minutes from both the May regular and special meetings. Jerry Wilson seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Superintendent Douglas Graham stated there was no old business to discuss.

With 71.55% of the budget spent and an operating balance of \$6,220,719, Mr. Graham recommended the payment of bills. Jamar Finley made a motion to approve. Jerry Wilson seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Jason Holsclaw with Stephens Inc. made a presentation on a bond sale to SAMCO Capital Markets. The interest rate is 1.786423% with a savings to the district of \$1,117,264.53. He explained that this money could be used for any school purpose. Payments are made 15 days prior to the due date. First Arkansas Bank & Trust is the Trustee. Superintendent Douglas Graham recommended that the board adopt a resolution regarding the bond sale. Jerry Wilson made a motion to adopt the resolution and Jamar Finley seconded. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham recommended the approval of building insurance with ASBA with a premium of \$83,658.92. Jamar Finley made a motion to approve and Jerry Wilson seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham asked the board to approve curriculum expenses for Software- \$63,614, Illustrative Math- \$50,000, Monitoring Software-\$19,667, and K-6 Supplies-\$37,500. Jerry Wilson made a motion to approve the expenses. Jamar Finley seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham asked the board to approve the purchase of two 2022 Blue Bird Vision Gas Powered buses for \$87,910.00 each from Central States Bus Sales, Inc. These buses would be used as regular route buses and replace current daily route buses. Jamar Finley made a motion to approve the purchase of two 2022 Blue Bird Vision Gas Buses for \$87,910.00 for a total of \$175,820.00. Jerry Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham recommended the board approve the district to sell reserved seating for this football seating with an increase to \$60 per seat. Mr. Graham stated that the cost of the seats had been \$50 in previous years and had not changed since 2007. Those who had reserved seats in 2019 will receive

letters to renew in July if approved. Jerry Wilson made a motion to approve the district to sell reserved seating as well as increase the price to \$60 per seat. Jamar Finley seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham recommended the approval of Summer School teachers. Jamar Finley made a motion to approve the lists presented. Jerry Wilson seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham recommended the board approve a bid from Fresh Coat Painting Services for \$13,570 to paint areas in each of the schools as well as the Football Stadium Handrails at facility entrance. Doyle Howard Construction also submitted a bid for \$15,900. Jamar Finley made a motion to accept the bid from Fresh Coat Painting Services for \$13,570. Jerry Wilson seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham recommended ASBA Model Policy Updates for the 21-22 School Year. After discussion, Jerry Wilson made a motion to approve the ASBA Model Policy Updates as discussed and presented. Jamar Finley seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham asked Principals to present student handbook changes for each building.

Primary Principal Nathan Evans stated their changes included to Attendance Policy, Arrival/Dismissal Times, Check-Outs, as well as added a section for House Bill 1464 (Act 684). Elementary Principal Rick Rebsamen said their changes included adding sections for House Bill 1464(Act 684) and Asthma Inhaler or Auto-Injectable Epinephrine, to be able to be carried with the child at school. Elementary also added that no virtual option would be offered for the 2021-2022 school year. Junior High Principal Ashley Riggs stated they added sections for House Bill 1464 (Act 684) and for Asthma Inhaler or Auto Injectable Epinephrine. Junior High also updated their AMI policy to include Google Classroom. High School Assistant Principal Krysta Parker stated High School was updating their policies on Attendance, Make-Up Work, Student Dress and Grooming, Lunch Detention, Parking Permit and Parking Regulations, Driver's License Applicants, Chromebook and Materials. High School is also adding policies for 1) Asthma Inhaler or Auto Injectable Epinephrine, 2) Scrapper Collegiate Academy, which allows students to take up to two college course per semester to be paid from Lottery Scholarship Program, 3) 3&3 Plan, which states Senior may take no less than 3 classes in the Fall Semester and 3 classes in the Spring Semester, two of which may be college courses, and 4) With the 3&3 plan, Early Graduation will not be offered. Jerry Wilson made a motion to approve all student handbook changes as presented by the Principals. Jamar Finley seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham recommended the board approve a pay increase for Jeremy Lofton, custodian, from \$13.90/hour to \$15.00/hour. Mr. Graham told the board that Jeremy has taken on a lot of extra duties and is over the summer custodians. Jamar Finley made a motion to approve the pay increase for Jeremy Lofton to \$15.00/hour. Jerry Wilson seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

David Hilliard recommended the board approve an index change for Superintendent Doug Graham to a 2.58 index. Mr. Hilliard stated that Mr. Graham had not asked for this raise but the board felt that his great performance and leadership warrants this increase. Jerry Wilson made a motion to approve the index change for Superintendent to 2.58. Jamar Finley seconded the motion. It passed 3-0.

Mr. Graham recommended the employment of Judith Garcia, Primary ESL Aide and Symone Walton, Elementary Custodian. Jerry Wilson made a motion to approve the recommendations for employment. Jamar Finley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Jerry Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jamar Finley seconded the motion. It passed 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM.

David Hilliard, President

Jamar Finley, Vice President