### **Maryville Board of Education**

Minutes for January 9, 2017

The Board of Education met in regular session at 5:00 p.m., January 9, 2017, at Montgomery Ridge Intermediate School. Board members present were: Nick Black, Candy Morgan, Bethany Pope, Bob Proffitt, and Christi Sayles. Chairman Pope called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence followed by Ben Turner, 4<sup>th</sup> grade student, leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Sayles made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried 5–0.

- 1. Approve Minutes of December 12, 2016, meeting (Attachment)
- 2. Approve Montgomery Ridge Intermediate School Science Club overnight trip to Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies (Attachment A1)

# **UPDATE FROM MONTGOMERY RIDGE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL – Kevin Myers, Principal**

Principal Kevin Myers shared pictures from the One Book Blitz kickoff and thanked Librarian Karin Papenhausen, Assistant Principal Carol Anne Scarlett and Technology Coordinator Tracy Luttrell for leading the project at MRIS. "Be the Change" is the theme for Montgomery Ridge's school year. Students were challenged to practice random acts of kindness and reach out to others in the community. Fourth grade students sharing their essays or poems were Owen Luttrell, Hannah Buchanan, Sarah Ashmore, Addyson Morton, and Eva Weekley-Hatley. Mr. Myers also shared a pictures of his son Anderson and praised his staff for their work while he was out on paternity leave.

## REPORTS FROM DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

Dr. Mike Winstead, Director of Schools, shared the introductory video played at all the schools for One Book Blitz. The reading program is led by Amy Vagnier, Director of Curriculum and Instruction. Dr. Winstead thanked the sponsors and The Daily Times for daily coverage.

Joe Fielding, Cope Associates, gave an update on the culinary arts building. The building is on schedule to be finished in March. Blackberry Farms donated an additional \$30,000 to finish the interior design work.

### **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Mrs. Sayles expressed her thanks for the reading project and said how special is was for the three school districts to be working together. She congratulated Kevin on the birth of his son.

Dr. Proffitt said to say a prayer for the coach the follow Coach Quarles.

Mr. Black said he was excited about Derek Hunt being named the new MHS football coach and thought the process was great. He liked seeing all the assistant coaches coming together. He also said athletics feed into the rest of the success of MHS.

Mrs. Morgan thanked the students for sharing their essays and poems. She commented on the long Christmas break.

Mrs. Pope said she loved hearing the student essays and poems. She also liked that we were doing the reading project with the other districts in the county. She congratulated Kevin and Ramona on the new additions to their families.