

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes for February 10, 2020

The Maryville Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. on February 10 at Maryville Academy. Board members present were Nick Black, Chad Hampton, Julie Elder, Candy Morgan, and Bethany Pope. Chairman Black called the meeting to order promptly at 5:30 p.m. and asked for a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The pledge leader was student Jordan Crawford.

SCHOOL UPDATE

Maryville Academy Administrator Linda Radcliffe welcomed everyone to the academy and offered a brief summary of the program's mission. Mrs. Radcliffe also expressed gratitude for the work of the school board and continued support for the facility, faculty, SRO, and many improvements at Maryville Academy. After introducing Officer Hall, Maryville SRO, Mrs. Radcliffe explained how student speaker Jordan Crawford (12th grader) was selected to share her story, based on a letter she wrote on Law Enforcement Appreciation Day to Officer Hall.

Jordan Crawford shared her story of progress and promise to an audience filled with pride and excitement for both Jordan's turnaround and her vision for a future that includes giving back to her community. Jordan plans to enter the nursing program at TCAT in Knoxville following graduation from Maryville High School in May.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman Black called for a vote to adopt the meeting agenda; Candy Morgan made the motion for the agenda adoption. Chad Hampton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Julie Elder made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Bethany Pope seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- 1. Approve minutes of January 13, 2020 meeting
- 2. Ratify Executive Committee approval of PowerSchool Unified Administration Enrollment with additional language. FUNDING SOURCE: Instructional Supplies and Equipment \$12,310.60
- 3. Approve MRIS 6th and 7th grade Rangers trip to Washington DC
- 4. Approval proposal from Migrate Destiny database for seven (7) licenses to Destiny Cloud. FUNDING SOURCE: General Purpose Technology Software \$12,034.41

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. MJHS VIDEO EQUIPMENT: Consider purchase of video equipment for the MJHS gym from Central Technologies. FUNDING SOURCE: Instructional Equipment \$52,541.00
- 2. SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD: Consider purchase of softball scoreboard from Major Display, Inc. FUNDING SOURCE: MHS Athletics \$16,710.00
- 3. RETIREMENT HEALTH CARE PLAN: Consider changes to the MCS Retirement Health Care Plan
- 4. NFHS: Consider agreement to join the NFHS Network School Broadcast Program

Dr. Winstead commented that the screens for the gym at MJHS would be 247 inches and the system would include two projection systems. On the scoreboard, he noted that the athletic department covered the cost and the scoreboard would include advertising space - a future revenue source. Commenting about the retirement plan changes, Mr. Winstead pointed out that the changes would only affect newer employees who will fall under guidance from the state in this new hybrid health care plan. Regarding the NFHS network agreement, he said the system allows teams to broadcast via NFHS subscription and review the video for coaching purposes as well. This three-year agreement is of no cost to the school or school district. Scott West at Maryville High School is the program coordinator.

DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS REPORT

Dr. Winstead reviewed the highlights of the annual reading initiative 'One Book Blitz' that started February 3. Regarding the ongoing facilities planning discussions, Winstead noted that he had held sessions with five of the seven school so far, two student groups, and planned to meet with two parent groups on Tuesday, February 11. In addition, all the facilities documentation is now posted online, with a form to easily collect public input on the eight plans being discussed. On February 24, a work session of the board will be held, along with a called meeting to review bids for upcoming projects.

RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND STUDENTS (Read by Nick Black and now posted on the district website)

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

- Candy Morgan recognized Maryville Academy as a special place, with a tremendous staff. She also thanked Officer Hall and Jordan Crawford for sharing their story.
- Mrs. Pope agreed with comments made by Mr. Hampton and shared that the academy is her favorite place to go for a board meeting.
- Julie Elder shared her appreciation to the speakers and acknowledged how SRO's are essential
 to our work in education and that the student speaker's experience was great justification for
 our investment.
- Chad Hampton expressed his gratitude to the speakers and offered encouragement to the student speaker. He went on to say he would look forward to seeing Jordan walk across the stage at graduation.
- Mr. Black also acknowledged the importance of SRO relationship to the student body.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Anglim