

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE MARSHALL BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020 AT 7:00 PM, VIRTUALLY @ [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo\\_Dw2K8ptX5eFKauouPJZQ/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo_Dw2K8ptX5eFKauouPJZQ/)

PRESENT: DESMET, NICHOLSON, MIDDLETON, WILLIAMS, GAMBLE, LINDSEY, DAVIS  
ABSENT: JONES

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President DeSmet. An extended moment of silence was observed in recognition of solidarity for Black Lives Matter.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Secretary Middleton.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Lindsey, supported by Nicholson, that the agenda be approved as presented and to include the addition of Academic Highlight – Early Middle College under Board Topics. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

President DeSmet called for any members of the audience to address the Board. There were none.

### **APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Item included on the consent agenda was the MHSAA membership resolution for August 1, 2020-July 31, 2021.

Moved by Gamble, supported by Lindsey, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

### **BOARD TOPICS**

*ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHT – EARLY MIDDLE COLLEGE PROGRAM:* Superintendent Davis introduced Vivian Davis to highlight the Early Middle College Program. Ms. Davis was joined by a student from the Early Middle College who shared what the middle college has allowed her to achieve. They both thanked the Board for supporting the program. Ms. Davis explained what students need to do should they wish to enroll in the program and what the application process entails.

*2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR:* Superintendent Davis provided an update on work that is being done in preparing for the start of the 2020-2021 school year. He indicated the governor has convened a committee to work plans for students return to classroom however given the timelines MPS is moving forward with developing its own plans that could include but not be limited to the following:

- Blended learning
- One to one computers for all students
- Accessing special subject areas such as music
- Support and instructional programs
- Credit recovery
- Modified schedules
- Night school

- Opening childcare programs
- Professional development
- Health and safety
- Reopening guidelines
- Hand washing stations
- Expectations of all staff, students, parents
- Food service and transportation services
- Social and emotional health
- School nursing

Superintendent Davis reported that Director of Curriculum and Assessment Chad Holt polled parents through a survey and that 75% of the respondents would send their children back to school for in person instruction.

Superintendent Davis reported the school calendar continues to be worked with the hope to have it finalized by the end of June. Thoughts about the calendar include moving school up one week for an earlier start, completing first semester by winter break, extending winter break and finishing the school year around June 9.

**APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEM – FINANCIAL**

*AWARD BID TO PURCHASE A PICK-UP:* Award bid to Boshears Fords Sales, Inc. to purchase a 2020 4x4 regular cab pick-up at a cost of \$26,097.00 to be utilized by the Facilities Department.

Moved by Gamble, supported by Lindsey, that the Board of Education approve Action Item – Financial as recommended. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS FOR WHICH  
NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING**

Trustee Lindsey mentioned should a position open up on the CISD Board that he believes someone from the east side of the county should be appointed; he will contact Terrance Lunger about it.

Trustee Gamble would like the district to add to its curriculum education for all about our real history. She believes there is lack of understanding and that educating everyone in history about Native Americans, Black History and Spanish History is a good way for all to understand each other better.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 a.m.

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LISA MIDDLETON, SECRETARY

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KIMBERLY VANWORMER, RECORDING SECRETARY