

**MINUTES**

**Board of Education Regular Meeting**

May 26, 2026 6:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

<p><b>CALL TO ORDER</b> Procedural Item <b>Present:</b> Mr. Butch Campbell, Ms. Karen Dodd, Ms. Barbara Long, Ms. Amanda Moore, Mrs. Jeanette Price, Mr. Jimmy Richardson III, Mr. David Settles (6:17 p.m.).</p> <p>In attendance: Dr. Trey Duke, Sheri Arnette, Angela Fairchild, Don Bartch, April Zavisa, Daniel Owens Lisa Trail, Maria Johnson, Ken Rocha, M' Lisa Miffleton, Quinena Bell, Emily Clark, Valerie Rains, Sara Roediger, Sandra Clemmons, Tres Holmes, Cynthia Hopkins, Jaci Saunders, Beth Prater, Robin Newell, Tony Hartman, Emily Spencer, Emily Clark</p> <p>Assistant City Attorney Lauren Bush and City Liaison Bill Shacklett.</p>	Chair Amanda Moore
<p>Pledge of Allegiance Procedural Item The Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Enochs, a 2nd grade student at Hobgood Elementary, and Fred Young, a kindergarten student, at Northfield Elementary.</p>	
<p>Moment of Silence Procedural Item</p>	
<p><b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b> Action Item Motion to approve the amended agenda with ESP Programming coming before the Legacy Retirements. This motion, made by Mr. Jimmy Richardson III and seconded by Ms. Karen Dodd, passed. Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1 Chair Amanda Moore requested an amendment to the agenda to reorder several non-voting items. The agenda was amended to swap the ESP Summer Programming and Legacy Retirements.</p>	Chair Amanda Moore
<p><b>COMMUNICATIONS</b> Information Item Congratulations to Discovery School for being recognized as a Blue Ribbon School at the recent State Board of Education meeting. This is an outstanding achievement and a reflection of the dedication of the school's students, staff, and leadership.</p> <p>Parents of children entering Kindergarten this fall who are already registered will begin receiving email updates. These communications will include helpful tips, important information, and suggestions to ensure a smooth transition into kindergarten. If a parent wants to be added to this communication, simply give us a call.</p> <p>KinderCamp is scheduled for July 20-24, providing an excellent opportunity for incoming kindergarten students to get familiar with their new school environment.</p> <p>Thank you to United Way for kicking off the Stuff the Bus over the summer. The dates for packing and distribution have been set for July 27 and 28.</p> <p>Our local community strongly supported our Backpack and Food Pantry programs this school year. The Sisters of Strength from New Vision-Buchanan Campus have organized special meal kit bags for our families in challenging living situations. These kits will be distributed on MERV (our Mobile Education Resource Van) during the summer when food access can be</p>	Mrs. Lisa Trail

<p>more limited.</p> <p>In addition, MERV, CHEWY, and CHOW, our nutrition and outreach vehicles, will be active over the summer. Each week is a themed schedule of activities that will include games, crafts, worksheets, and of course books, designed to keep students active, engaged, and connected while school is out. The Summer Feeding Program will begin on June 1 and run through July 31. The full schedule of locations and times is available on both the school and district websites.</p>	
<p>Recognition of Read to Succeed Spelling Bee Winners: Waylon Brooks-Northfield Elementary-1st Place; Brianna Perez Tena-Black Fox-3rd Place Procedural Item</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Recognition of Tony Hartman, Music Teacher at Scales-CMA Foundation 2026 Music Teacher of Excellence Procedural Item</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>The Best of MCS-Legacy Retirements (20 years or more) Procedural Item Dr. Duke stated that he would like to recognize the district’s Legacy Retirees who have served the district for more than 20 years. He shared that this is the first year for this recognition and that it will continue annually. The following Legacy Retirees were in attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valerie Rains</li> <li>• Emily Clark</li> <li>• Sara Roediger</li> <li>• Sandra Clemmons</li> <li>• Tres Holmes</li> </ul>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Spotlight on Education-ESP Summer Programming Procedural Item Ms. Cynthia Hopkins presented a report on the ESP Summer Programming. She shared that the program will operate Monday, June 1, through Friday, July 31, from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at eight locations, including five summer school sites as well as Overall Creek, Salem, and Erma Siegel. Ms. Hopkins reported that site directors have been actively planning activities for students. She also highlighted the district’s partnership with Nutrition and Farm to School, as well as the Vincent Windrow Patriots Camp. She further shared that all 13 sites will open Kindercamp on July 20.</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Public Comment Procedural Item</p>	Chair Amanda Moore
<p><b>CONSENT ITEMS</b> Consent Agenda Motion to approve consent agenda. This motion, made by Mr. Butch Campbell and seconded by Ms. Barbara Long, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Chair Amanda Moore
<p>Approval of 5-12-26 Board Minutes Consent Item</p>	
<p>Approval of Contract-KnowBe4 Consent Item</p>	
<p>Approval of Surplus Property Disposal Consent Item</p>	
<p><b>ACTION ITEMS</b> Action Item</p>	Chair Amanda Moore
<p>Approval of Disciplinary Hearing Authority-Board Policy 6.317 Action Item</p>	Dr. Trey Duke

<p>Motion to approve the Disciplinary Hearing Authority-Board Policy 6.317. This motion, made by Mr. Butch Campbell and seconded by Mrs. Jeanette Price, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	
<p>Approval of Contract-Synergy Action Item Motion to approve the Contract-Synergy. This motion, made by Mr. Jimmy Richardson III and seconded by Ms. Barbara Long, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0 Mr. Rocha came forward to present information regarding the process for selecting a new Student Information System (SIS) platform. Mr. Rocha explained that the next steps will include developing a transition plan from Skyward 2.0 to Synergy. He noted that his team will be responsible for migrating and loading district data into the new system. He shared that this implementation process is expected to take more than one year. Mr. Rocha informed the Board that the district anticipates being fully prepared to launch the new system on July 1, 2027. He further stated that Skyward will continue to be used through June 30, 2027, with Synergy going live in July 2027.</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of Contract-Murfreesboro Pure Milk Renewal Action Item Motion to approve Contract-Murfreesboro Pure Milk Renewal. This motion, made by Mr. Butch Campbell and seconded by Ms. Karen Dodd, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of Contract-Central Technologies-Avigilon Camera Purchase Action Item Motion to approve Contract-Central Technologies-Avigilon Camera Purchase. This motion, made by Ms. Barbara Long and seconded by Mrs. Jeanette Price, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of Contract-Concrete Pads at Black Fox Elementary and Erma Siegel Elementary Action Item Motion to approve Contract-Concrete Pads at Black Fox Elementary and Erma Siegel Elementary. This motion, made by Ms. Barbara Long and seconded by Ms. Karen Dodd, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0 Board Member David Settles recognized and commended the PTOs of Discovery and Erma Siegel for their support of their schools and for providing funding for the installation of concrete pads.</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of Budget Amendment-Title II Reallocation Action Item Motion to approve Budget Amendment-Title II Reallocation. This motion, made by Mrs. Jeanette Price and seconded by Mr. Butch Campbell, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of Budget Amendment-GP Interfund Action Item Motion to approve Budget Amendment-GP Interfund. This motion, made by Ms. Barbara Long and seconded by Mr. Jimmy Richardson III, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of Budget Amendment-FY 26 GP-TISA Outcome Funding Action Item Motion to approve Budget Amendment-FY 26 GP-TISA Outcome Funding. This motion, made by Ms. Karen Dodd and seconded by Ms. Barbara Long, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of Matlock Clements Extension</p>	Dr. Trey Duke

<p>Action Item Motion to approve Matlock Clements Extension. This motion, made by Mr. Butch Campbell and seconded by Ms. Barbara Long, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	
<p>Approval of Public Official Bond for Director Action Item Motion to approve Public Official Bond for Director. This motion, made by Ms. Barbara Long and seconded by Ms. Karen Dodd, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of 2026-2027 General Purpose Budget Revision Action Item Motion to approve 2026-2027 General Purpose Budget Revision. This motion, made by Ms. Barbara Long and seconded by Mr. Butch Campbell, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0 Dr. Duke informed the Board that there has been a \$1,012,073 decrease in the budget since the last presentation. The district is still waiting on final WFTEADA numbers from TDOE, and this move is proactive in the event there are changes to the WFTEADA percentage. He noted that the revised budget was included in the Board packet. He further explained that the district is budgeted to spend less in the upcoming year than in the current year. The Board expressed agreement with the recommended adjustments. Dr. Duke also stated that the planned use of Fund Balance remains at \$4.6 million, consistent with the previous presentation. Dr. Duke advised the Board that he will present the revised budget to the City Council on June 4. Board Member Barbara Long inquired whether, if the State later adjusts enrollment percentages, the district would be able to revert to the original budget. Dr. Duke responded that the budget presented for approval would be the official adopted budget, and any subsequent State adjustments would be addressed through future budget amendments brought back to the Board as needed. Dr. Duke stated that he believes this revised budget represents the most responsible and stable option for presentation and approval at this time. Board Member Jeanette Price thanked Dr. Duke for his work during what she described as an extremely challenging budget season. She commended him and his team for their ability to make necessary reductions while also providing salary increases and ensuring no employee job losses. Board Chair Amanda Moore concurred with the comments.</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>Approval of March Revenue and Expenditure Report Action Item Motion to approve March Revenue and Expenditure Report. This motion, made by Mr. Jimmy Richardson III and seconded by Mrs. Jeanette Price, passed. Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p><b>REPORTS AND INFORMATION</b> Information Item</p>	Chair Amanda Moore
<p>2026-2027 Board Meeting Calendar Information Item</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p>City Schools Foundation Update Information Item Ms. Lisa Trail provided an update on the City Schools Foundation. She noted that Mr. Eric Newell, Foundation Board Chair, was in attendance. Ms. Trail shared a handout outlining the upcoming Robotics Program. She reported that, during its tenure, the Foundation has contributed nearly \$2 million back to district schools through initiatives such as the Pickleball Tournament and Excellence in Education.</p>	Ms. Lisa Trail

<p>She also announced that the Foundation has a new Board member, Ms. Kim Young, who played a key role in coordinating the Excellence in Education event, which she described as a great success.</p> <p>Ms. Trail informed the Board that the Foundation leadership for 2026-2027 will be Chair Eric Newell and Vice Chair Julie Corcoran.</p> <p>Mr. Eric Newell expressed appreciation to Board Member Ms. Barbara Long for her strong support and ongoing sponsorship, noting her involvement throughout Foundation activities.</p>	
<p>Personnel Report Information Item</p>	Dr. Maria Johnson
<p>Enrollment (PTR) Report Information Item</p>	Mr. Ken Rocha
<p>Director's Update Information Item</p> <p>Dr. Duke informed the Board that Enrollment Period 9 will end on Thursday, May 28. He noted that students are out of school today and tomorrow. He added that Summer School training is taking place today and tomorrow at the Central Office. Dr. Duke stated that tomorrow is a teacher workday, and Thursday will be report card pickup day, with buses running. He further reported that the Nutrition Department will provide grab-and-go breakfast and lunch for students. He stated that there will be no students on Friday, and that Summer School, the full ESP program, and summer feeding will begin on Monday. Dr. Duke encouraged Board members to review the summer feeding locations online and noted that there are five new sites on the west side of town.</p> <p>Dr. Duke reminded the Board that the next Board meeting will be held on June 9 at the Central Office, where the Strategic Plan will be discussed further. He also requested that Board members return the annual Director's evaluation at that meeting.</p> <p>In closing, Dr. Duke stated that it has been a successful school year and noted that while staff are tired, there is excitement about Summer School. He invited Board members to contact Sheri Arnette if they would like to visit Summer School sites and to reach out to Ms. Saunders if they would like to meet the chow bus at various stops throughout the summer.</p>	Dr. Trey Duke
<p><b>OTHER BUSINESS</b> Information Item</p>	Chair Amanda Moore
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b> Action Item</p> <p>Motion to adjourn 7:01 p.m.. This motion, made by Mr. Jimmy Richardson III and seconded by Ms. Barbara Long, passed.</p> <p>Yea: 7, Nay: 0</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.</p>	Chair Amanda Moore

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