

MINUTES 22-23
CITY OF MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 20, 2022

Mr. Timothy Holtcamp, president, called the City of Madison Board of Education meeting to order at 5:07 PM in the board room at Madison City Schools Central Office. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, and administering the oath of office for the newest school board member, Mr. Tommy Overcash by Judge Claude Hundley, roll call was conducted of school board members.

I. ROLL CALL

Roll Call of school board members recorded as follows:

Place No. 1	Mr. Tommy Overcash	Present
Place No. 2	Mr. Tim Holtcamp	Present
Place No. 3	Mrs. Alice Lessmann	Present
Place No. 4	Mr. Scott Newberry	Present
Place No. 5	Mr. Travis Cummings	Absent

Also present were Dr. Ed Nichols, superintendent, and Mr. Woody Sanderson, board attorney, Mrs. LaTisha King, recording secretary.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Timothy Holtcamp called for a motion to approve the September 20, 2022, school board meeting agenda. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the agenda. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

III. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations during this meeting.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eleven individuals addressed the Board and superintendent during this meeting. Two parents made comments regarding e-learning days and school schedules for students. Several others provided comments regarding the gay pride flag in classrooms and students feeling safe in schools. Two parents stated that personal and/or political beliefs should be discussed in the child's home, not in schools. Lastly, the district's Parent Teacher Association President encouraged everyone to join a local PTA during September (Parent Teacher Association Month).

V. ACTION ITEMS

The superintendent recommended approval of consent agenda item(s): (a) Minutes #22-22, September 6, 2022; (b) disposal of cafeteria tables (24 tables, 12 stools per table – Virco Model) located at Rainbow Elementary School; (c) a field trip request from James Clemens High School Choir to perform and attend events in St. Louis, Missouri on April 21-23, 2023; (d) a field trip request for Bob Jones High School students to visit the Parthenon Museum in Nashville, TN on October 21, 2022; (e) a field trip request from the James Clemens High School Dance Team to attend a regional competition in Henderson, Kentucky on December 2-3, 2022; (f) a revision to the 2022-2023 School Year Calendar for Madison City Schools; and (g) a revision to the 2023-2024 School Year Calendar for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to approve the consent agenda items as a group. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a memorandum of understanding by and between the City of Madison Board of Education and Big Brothers/Big Sisters to pilot a mentoring program at Bob Jones High School and Midtown Elementary School. There would be not coast the district would incur for piloting the program. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved d 4-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of an agreement by and between the City of Madison Board of Education and the Health Care Authority of the City of Huntville d/b/a The Huntville Hospital to provide Auditory-Verbal Therapy services to eligible special education students through one or more auditory-verbal therapists employed by Huntville Hospital at a rate of \$85.00 per hour from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 (The services to be provided include communication evaluations, assistance with management of assistive listening devices, the preparation of records and the implementation of Individual Education Plans) as described in the agreement. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the agreement. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of an agreement by and between the City of Madison Board of Education and Dr. Velma S. Robinson to provide educational audiology services to designated students in the school district from October 1, 2022 – October 2, 2023 at a paid rate of \$125.00 per hour (The services will be 2-4 days a month) as described in the agreement. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the agreement. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a list of substitutes for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to approve the list of substitutes as a group. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned approve the list of substitutes. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of supplemental contracts for work performed for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to approve the contracts as a group. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to approve the contracts. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a list of personnel items for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to approve the personnel items as a group. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the personnel items. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Nichols expressed appreciation to School Resource Officers Sam Scott and Mitchell Stease for attending the school board meeting. He then talked about a One Madison meeting, the Lighthouse Program (sponsored by the Committee of 100), a Mental Health Matters Summit, and a Partners in Education Program. Dr. Nichols also thanked First Baptist Church of Madison for providing a breakfast to honor Madison City Schools Transportation Department employees.

He recognized Mrs. Alice Lessmann on being selected as the Alabama Association of School Boards District Nine Director and recognized by Women in Economic Development for her leadership in the community. He also encouraged everyone to join his or her local Parent Teacher Associations. Dr. Nichols announced the district has thirty-two National Merit Finalists this school year.

VII. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Tim Holtcamp welcomed Mr. Tommy Overcash to the school board.

Mr. Tommy Overcash expressed his excitement to be a member of the school board and attend the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration honoring the establishment of the City of Madison Board of Education on Sunday, October 16, 2022.

Mr. Scott Newberry thanked everyone who addressed the school board during the meeting. He also talked about the Mental Health Matters event and homecoming parades for both high schools.

Mrs. Alice Lessmann thanked everyone who addressed the Board during the school board meeting. She also stated the Mental Health Matters event was a great success. Mrs. Lessmann welcomed Mr. Overcash to the school board.

Mr. Timothy Holtcamp thanked School Resource Officers Scott and Mitchell for attending the school board meeting. He also thanked Mrs. Stephanie Allen and local school PTAs for presenting the Mental Health Matters event at Midtown Elementary School. He then thanked Mrs. Karen Denzine, Madison City Councilmember, for attending the school board meeting. Mr. Holtcamp announced the next school board meeting would be held on October 13, 2022 at 5:00 PM, preceded by a finance committee meeting at 4:00 PM.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Tim Holtcamp called for a motion to adjourn the school board meeting. Mr. Tommy Overcash motioned to adjourn the school board meeting. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

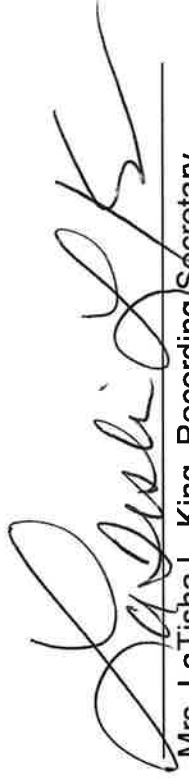
The motion was approved 4-0.

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Mr. Tim Holtcamp, President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ed Nichols".

Dr. Ed Nichols, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "LaTisha L. King".

Mrs. LaTisha L. King, Recording Secretary