Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
Board of Education
Minutes
May 8, 2012

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/MOTION	FOLLOW-UP/OUTCOME
• Roll Call	Members Present: Gracie Porter, Chair; Mark North, Vice-Chair; Dr. Jo Ann Brannon; Dr. Sharon Gentry; Michael W. Hayes; Kay Simmons; and Jhamia Poole, Student Board Member Members Absent: Ed Kindall; Cheryl Mayes; Anna Shepherd Ms. Porter called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.	
• Pledge of Allegiance	Led by Jhamia Poole, Student Board Member.	
• Student Board Member Recognition	Ms. Poole gave the following report: Our March meeting included presentations from Mr. Al Bodie and Mr. Jim Burnett, entrepreneur and business consultant, respectively. Our presenters provided us with insight on the value of education and job experience. They shared their stories of the roads to their success and the many lessons they learned along the way. We concluded the meeting with a question and answer session that provided us with further insight of their experiences. Our April meeting included training on developing leadership skills by Susan Ragsdale and Ann Saylor from the YMCA's Center for Asset Development. The topic was "Change Your World: Caring School Climate" in which we discussed the importance of creating a positive school climate through service projects. We also worked on identifying our "spark", or the subject of our passion, and using that knowledge in our role as leaders. This month, our meeting will be held at East Literature Magnet High School where we will discuss the presentations and trainings that were held for the year. We will also begin preparing and brainstorming for next school year's events. Ms. Poole also thanked the Board and Dr. Register for their support during her tenure on the Board. The Board and Dr. Register presented Ms. Poole with tokens of appreciation for her service as a Student Board Member for school years 2010-11 and 2011-12. Ms. Poole graduates from Martin Luther King, Jr. Magnet High School later this month.	
• In Memoriam – Hilary Parks Lane	Dr. Keel read the following In Memoriam: Ms. Hilary Taylor Parks Lane, the Elementary Music teacher at Whitsitt Elementary School since 1997, passed away on April 26, 2012 at the age of 43 after complications from surgery. Hilary will be remembered with happiness by so many, including her family and friends, as well as her MNPS colleagues, and the teachers, students and community members of Whitsitt Elementary School. Hilary graduated from John Overton High School and attended Indiana University where she received	

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Hilary Parks Lane - continued	a B.S in Music and a B.S. in Journalism. She completed her graduate study and certification in Music Education from Belmont University. Hilary's talent in music thrived at Overton High School, where she was an All-State Band clarinetist and a proud member of the Johnny-O Marching Band. At Indiana University, Hilary completed her Master's Degree which culminated in her final clarinet recital of classical works. Hilary was the diving coach at Sequoia Swim Club for 25 years, where she continued to be a positive influence on the lives of children and became a cornerstone in the Nashville Diving League. Her life was filled with music and laughter.	
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION		
• Anne-Marie Farmer – Charter Schools	Ms. Farmer addressed the Board concerning the Great Hearts' Charter School Application. Ms. Farmer asked the Board to require Great Hearts to present specific information on the area from which it will recruit students.	
• Chris Moth – Charter Schools	Mr. Moth addressed the Board concerning Charter Schools. He asked the Board to deny Great Hearts' application if there is no diversity piece included.	
• Chris Coutras –Athletic Field at Overton High School	Mr. Coutras addressed the Board concerning the Athletic Field at Overton High School. He asked the Board to reconsider the name change decision.	
• Neil Amrhein – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Amrhein addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts Academies.	
• Laura Swanson – Charter School Expansion	Ms. Swanson addressed the Board concerning Charter School Expansion. She asked the Board to deny support to Great Hearts.	
• Karen Meredith – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Meredith addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts Academies.	
• Maura-Lee Albert – Charter School Changes	Ms. Albert addressed the Board concerning Charter School Changes. She asked the Board to require Great Hearts to show how they will bring diversity into their school.	
• Martha Galyon - Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Galyon addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Holly Coltea – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Coltea addressed the Board in support of Great Hearts Academies.	
• Kristen Johns – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Johns addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Bridgette Butler – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Butler addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts because of their curriculum.	
• Sterling Price – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Price addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts and believes the school could address some of the overcrowding in schools.	
• Taylor Hummell – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Hummell addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to require Great Hearts to submit diversity and transportation plans with their application.	

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• Bob Nardo – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Nardo addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Megan Proctor – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Proctor addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Bo Bartholomew – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Bartholomew addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts due to their multi-campus strategy. He also asked the Board to require Great Hearts to open multiple schools across the district simultaneously.	
• Matthew Smith – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Smith addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Carol Ballenger – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Ballenger addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to require Great Hearts to amend their application to ensure a portion of their student enrollment be designated for free and reduced lunch students.	
• Terry Anderson – Athletic Field at Overton High School	Mr. Anderson addressed the Board concerning the Athletic Field at Overton. He asked the Board to reconsider the naming of the field.	
• Donald McCord – Athletic Field at Overton High School	Mr. McCord addressed the Board concerning the Athletic Field at Overton High School. He asked the Board to reconsider the naming of the field.	
• John Little – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Little addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Sarah Powell – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Powell addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Nathanael Reveal – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Reveal addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Sarah Gavigan – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Gavigan addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to offer diversity within MNPS' curriculum as witnessed when visiting a Great Hearts school in another state.	
• Lauren Hitch – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Hitch addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Bonnie Surmi – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Surmi addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Kristin Harney- Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Harney addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts due to their K-12 model.	
• Erica Lanier – Pearl-Cohn Cheerleaders	Ms. Lanier read a letter for Brandy Crosby. Ms. Crosby addressed the issue concerning the Junior Varsity Cheerleaders at Pearl-Cohn High School. She asked the Board to investigate the cheerleading program.	
• Jack Harrington – Great Hearts Academies	Mr. Harrington addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	

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• Susan Saban – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Saban addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts due to the schools' proposed curriculum that includes foreign language courses.	
• Terri Patton – Charter Schools and Budget	Ms. Patton addressed the Board concerning Charter Schools. She asked the Board to deny support of Great Hearts' application.	
• Councilman Duane Dominy – Great Hearts Academies Application	Councilman Dominy addressed the Board concerning the Great Hearts Academies Application. He asked the Board to require Great Hearts to locate their first school in Antioch.	
• Break	The Board took a recess from 5:40 p.m. – 6:01 p.m.	
• Denise Jones – Great Hearts	Ms. Jones addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts due to their hands on curriculum.	
• Stacey Jones – Great Hearts	Ms. Jones addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• James Buckner- Great Hearts	Mr. Buckner addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Vanessa Garner – Great Hearts Academies	Ms. Garner addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts Academies. She asked the Board to support the Great Hearts' application.	
• Gabriela Mancia – Great Hearts	Ms. Mancia addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts. She asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Cesar Bautista-Sanchez – Great Hearts	Mr. Bautista-Sanchez addressed the Board concerning Great Hearts. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts because of the diversity the school can provide.	
• Michael Chaney – Great Hearts Applications	Mr. Chaney addressed the Board concerning the Great Hearts Application. He asked the Board to support Great Hearts.	
• Jack McKenzie – Athletic Field at Overton High School	Mr. McKenzie addressed the Board concerning the Athletic Field at Overton High School. He asked the Board to reconsider the naming of the field and come up with another way to honor Ms. JoAnn Hood.	
• Tanaka Vercher – Charter Schools	Ms. Vercher addressed the Board concerning Charter Schools. She asked the Board to require that Great Hearts place their first location within the Southeast/Antioch area.	
• Vivian Wilhoit – Charter Schools	Ms. Wilhoit addressed the Board concerning Charter Schools. She asked the Board to thoroughly examine the Great Hearts application and hold them to the same standards required of existing charter schools. She also asked the Board to consider placing Great Hearts in Antioch.	
GOVERNANCE ISSUES		
• ACTIONS 1. Consent Agenda	**Dr. Gentry read the following consent agenda items: IV-A-1-a- Approval of Minutes-4/10/2012 Regular Meeting; IV-A-1-b- Designer Supplement #1 For Hermitage Elementary School Additions and Renovations – Gobbell Hays Partners, Inc. – L-2428; IV-A-1-c- Change Order #1 for**	

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1. Consent Agenda - continued	**Roof Replacement at Antioch High School – Don Kennedy Roofing, Inc. – M-450; IV-A-1-d- Change Order #3 for ADA Improvements at Whites Creek High School – Edwards Construction, Inc. – M-419; IV-A-1-e- Change Order #4 for Cane Ridge Elementary School – New Building Construction – Bomar Construction Co., Inc. – M-475; IV-A-1-f- Change Order #4 for Cane Ridge Elementary School –Site Work –R.G. Anderson & Co., Inc. M-472; IV-A-1-g- Awarding of Bids and Contracts (1.) A Plus Education and Training, Inc., (2.) Alignment Nashville, (3.) American Alliance for Innovative Schools, LLC, (4.) eSchool Solutions, (5.) Rocket Learning, (6.) Seacoast Center for Education, (7.) Sims Strategic Diversity Consultants, (8.) Vanderbilt University; IV-A-1-h- Request for Easements – Waverly Belmont Property – Hill Southeast; IV-A-1-i- Recommended Approval of the Renaming of East Literature Magnet – Naming of Schools Committee – SECOND READING; IV-A-1-j- Recommended Approval of the Career and Technical Education Application; IV-A-1-k- Recommended Approval of Career and Technical Education Special Courses; IV-A-1-l- Recommended Approval of Career and Technical Education Special Textbooks – Teaching as a Profession and Air Traffic Control; IV-A-1-m- Recommended Approval of Requests for Compulsory Attendance Waiver; IV-A-1-n- Recommended Approval of Legal Settlement – Case #310-cv-857 ($48,000).** **Mr. Hayes made the motion to approve the consent agenda as read. Ms. Simmons seconded.**	**VOTE: 6-0**
2. Recommended Approval of Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Revised Operating Budget- Budget and Finance Committee	Mr. Hayes stated that the Budget and Finance Committee approved the revision to the 2012-2013 Operating Budget. **Mr. Hayes made the motion to approve the revision to the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget. Ms. Simmons seconded**.	**VOTE: 6-0**
3. Recommended Approval of Farm-to-School Resolution	Dr. Register asked that the approval of the Farm-to-School Resolution be deferred until the next Board meeting due to Mr. Carr's absence from the meeting.	
4. Student Disciplinary Appeal – T.D.	**Ms. Simmons made a motion that the Board deny the request for a hearing and affirm the penalty as determined by the Level II hearing officer. Mr. Hayes seconded.**	**VOTE: 6-0**
5. Student Disciplinary Appeal – J.H.	**Ms. Simmons made a motion that the Board deny the request for a hearing and affirm the penalty as determined by the Level II hearing officer. Dr. Brannon seconded.**	**VOTE: 6-0**

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6. Student Disciplinary Appeal – L.S.	**Ms. Simmons made a motion that the Board deny the request for a hearing and affirm the penalty as determined by the Level II hearing officer. Dr. Brannon seconded.**	**VOTE: 6-0**
REPORTS		
Director's Report • Diversity Business Enterprise (DBE) Program	Gary Appenfelder and Ken Murdock provided an update to the Board on the Diversity Business Enterprise (DBE) Program that the district initiated in 2002. Ms. Simmons asked how our diversity program data compares to the demographic diversity of Davidson County. Mr. Appenfelder said he would provide that information.	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
• Donations to Antioch and Whites Creek High Schools	Dr. Gentry stated that Antioch High School and Whites Creek High School both received a donation of $250 from the Nashville Area Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.	
• Country Music Marathon	Ms. Porter congratulated Chris Henson for running in the Country Music Marathon.	
• Annual Retirement Reception	Ms. Porter announced that the annual Retirement Reception would be held May 11th at the Martin Center.	
• 30 and 40 Years of Service Luncheon	Ms. Porter announced that employees with 30 and 40 years of service will be honored on May 21st at the Martin Center during a luncheon.	
• Board Meeting	Ms. Porter announced that there will not be a Board Meeting on May 22nd. Instead, there will be a Board Meeting on May 29th at 4:00 p.m.	
WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE BOARD		
• Board Calendar Items		
• Sales Tax Collections as of April 20, 2012		
• Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget Financial Report		
• Adjournment	Ms. Simmons adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.	
• Signatures	Chris M. Henson Board Secretary Gracie Porter Board Chair Date	