

MINUTES 08-07
CITY OF MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 24, 2008

Mrs. Sue Helms, President, called the meeting of the City of Madison Board of Education to order at 5:30 P.M. in the board room at the Teacher Resource Center and Central Office.

I. ROLL CALL

Roll call of the School Board was recorded as follows:

Place No. 1	Dr. Shelia Nash-Stevenson	Delayed
Place No. 2	Mr. Ray White	Present
Place No. 3	Mrs. Sue Helms	Present
Place No. 4	Dr. Terri Johnson	Present
Place No. 5	Mr. Jim Sturdivant	Absent

Also present were Dr. Dee Fowler, Superintendent, Mr. Woody Sanderson, School Board Attorney, and Mrs. LaTisha King, Recording Secretary.

II. MINUTES

Mrs. Helms recommended approval of the minutes from the meetings held on April 3, 2008 and April 8, 2008. Mr. Ray White moved to approve the minutes. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 3-0.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A Madison resident stated that communication with the public needs to be improved. He requested that board minutes be posted online, instead of board meeting summaries.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. Elizabeth Bero, teacher at Horizon Elementary School, introduced Alabama State Science Fair winners. Students discussed their projects and were presented with certificates of recognition from the school board and the mayor's office.

Mrs. Robin Dauma, teacher at Discovery Middle School, introduced students who won at the state level for Destination Imagination. Students explained their projects to the board and public. Team members were presented with certificates of recognition from the Board.

Mrs. Bonnie Davis and Mrs. Nancy Bocchino, nurses at Bob Jones High School, presented at DVD to the Board and public made by Bob Jones High school student peer helpers. The DVD encourages students not to smoke, and is targeted at third grade students.

Mr. Robby Parker, principal at Bob Jones High School, introduced and presented Grace Li, a student at Bob Jones High School, with a certificate of recognition from the board. Miss Li was one of two students in Alabama to be selected to participate in a National Youth Science Camp.

Mrs. Mary Long, Director of Elementary Instruction, introduced six teachers who were recipients of the Hope Award (Honoring Outstanding Performance and Excellence). The grant assists teachers in their quest to attain National Board Certification. Mrs. Long also presented all National Board Certified teachers, in the school system, with a nameplate for their classroom door.

Mrs. Long presented a Southern Accreditation of Colleges and Schools (SACs) report to the Board and public. The reports detailed the recommendation and commendation for West Madison Elementary, Rainbow Elementary, and Horizon Elementary schools. All schools received great reviews by the SACs Committee.

V. ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the following consent agenda items: (a) Bid 2008-12, Bob Jones High School Double Oven, from Dixie Store Fixtures & Sales Company, Inc., who presented the low responsive/responsible bid meeting specifications in the amount of \$8,650; (b) Bid 2008-13, Network Analyzer, Fluke Networks was the only responsive/responsible bidder with a total bid price of \$38,984.61. Graybar Electric was deemed non-responsive due to lack of meeting specifications. The superintendent deemed this a non-competitive bid because only one bidder met the bid specifications. Therefore, he rejected the bid and asked that it be negotiated; (c) Bid 2007-04, Renewal of Bus Maintenance Bid from FirstGroup America (Laidlaw), with a total bid price of \$58.41 per route per day. The price includes the maintenance of the board's white fleet as well as unlimited extracurricular miles. The second year option will be in effect from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009; (d) Bid 2007-16, Termite Control bid from Terminax as outlined in the bid tab sheet. The second year option will be in effect from June 14, 2008 through June 13, 2009; (e) Discovery Middle School Summer School Program to be held June 2-27, 2008; (f) Academy I & II Summer School to be held at Heritage Elementary School; and (g) Bob Jones High 2008 Patriot Camps. Mr. Ray White moved to approve the consent agenda items. Dr. Shelia Nash-Stevenson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of a sign for Heritage Elementary School. Dr. Lydia Davenport, principal at Heritage Elementary School, explained the specifics of the sign to the Board and public. Heritage's Parent Teacher Association will pay for the sign. Dr. Shelia Nash-Stevenson moved to approve the recommendation. Mr. Ray White seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the March 2008 financial statements. Ms. Teresa Hill, Interim Chief School Finance Officer, explained the financial statements to the Board and public. Dr. Terri Johnson moved to approve the recommendation. Mr. Ray White seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of an elementary reading textbook adoption. Mr. Robert Lipinski, textbook coordinator, explained the textbook list to the Board and public. Dr. Shelia Nash-Stevenson moved to approve the recommendation. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of a Special Olympics Coordinator supplement. Dr. Terri Johnson moved to approve the recommendation. Mr. Ray White seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0.

Dr. Fowler presents Policy JAJ: Student Code of Conduct for a first reading to amend. Mr. John Jones, personnel supervisor explained the recommendation to the Board and public.

No action was required for this item.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the personnel actions. Mrs. Helms asked that the Board act upon item number five under "Extended Leave" separately. The Board agreed to approve the remaining personnel actions as a group. Dr. Terri Johnson moved to approve the recommendation. Dr. Shelia Nash-Stevenson seconded the recommendation.

The motion was approved 4-0.

Dr. Fowler then recommended approval of item number five under "Extended Leave." Mr. Ray White moved to approve the recommendation. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 3-0, with one abstention from Mrs. Helms.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

There were no comments by the superintendent.

VII. BOARD COMMENTS

Mrs. Helms announced that the next Board meetings will be held on May 8, 2008, at 5:00 P.M.; May 20, 2008, at 3:30 P.M.; and June 12, 2008, at 5:00 P.M.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Helms called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Shelia Nash-Stevenson moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ray White seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

April 24, 2008

Sue Helms, President

Dee O. Fowler, Secretary

LaTisha L. King, Recording Secretary