

MINUTES 10-05
CITY OF MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 25, 2010

Mr. Ray White, president, called the meeting of the city of Madison Board of Education to order at 5:10 PM in the board room at the Central Office. After the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag, Mr. White asked for a roll call of board members.

I. ROLL CALL

Roll call of the School Board was recorded as follows:

Place No. 1	Mrs. Connie Spears	Present
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. Phil Schmidt	Present

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

II. PRESENTATIONS

Ms. Maria Kilgore, Director of Special Education, presented certificates of appreciation to staff members and students who volunteered for the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive. Ms. Kilgore announced that each school would receive \$480 from the Knights of Columbus. She also stated that the Knights of Columbus have contributed over \$84,000 to the Madison City Schools.

Ms. Kilgore then presented certificates of appreciation to staff members who worked on the distribution and collection of Impact Aid forms. Staff members collected 2,031 forms.

Dr. Julie Finley, assistant principal at Bob Jones High School, introduced Mr. Jeremy Raper, teacher at Bob Jones High School. Mr. Raper introduced engineering students who presented a PowerPoint displaying a tree house proposal they submitted to the Huntsville Botanical Gardens. The group's proposal was selected as the winner of the Huntsville Botanical Gardens tree house proposal contest. Their project should be completed by March 13, 2010.

Dr. Finley also discussed a Saturday School community service option for students. Dr. Finley explained that students who receive Saturday school for discipline issues would now have the option to attend normal Saturday school or volunteer with agencies in Madison for community service hours.

Dr. Clara Toney, Coordinator of Federal Programs and Testing, presented a certificate of appreciation to the president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (Alumni Chapter) for their donation to the Madison City Schools. Dr. Toney mentioned that the donation would be used to assist the homeless population in the school system.

Dr. Toney also introduced Mrs. Brenda Vactor, social worker for the school system. Mrs. Vactor talked about her role and responsibilities in the school system. She also gave the Board literature about her program.

Mr. John Jones, Coordinator of Personnel, updated the Board on the work of the Policy Committee. Mr. Jones stated that the committee will be reviewing Policy JAJ: Student Code of Conduct. He also announced that the committee's next meeting would be held on March 3, 2010, at 10:00 AM at central office.

Mrs. Sherry Ahern, Elementary Instructional Specialist, presented information to the Board regarding the Instructional Committee's report.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments made by the public at this meeting.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the consent agenda item(s): Minutes #10-04, February 12, 2010; (b) Bid 2010-07, HVAC Control Maintenance from MJ Automation who presented the low responsive/responsible bid meeting specifications with a total bid price of \$14,000 for year one; and (c) Bid for the Liberty Middle School field house from Pearce Construction for a base bid amount of \$263,481.. Mrs. Sue Helms moved to approve the recommendation. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of an amendment to the Madison City Schools budget. Mrs. Lisa McMurray explained the recommendation to the Board and public. Mr. Phil Schmidt moved to approve the recommendation. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of policies IHFD: Credit Recovery and BBC: Board Member Training. Mr. John Jones, Coordinator of Personnel, explained the recommendation to the Board and public. Mrs. Connie Spears moved to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Sue Helms seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval to amend policies IEK: Dual Enrollment and AE: School Year. Mrs. Connie Spears moved to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Sue Helms seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of personnel actions. The Board agreed to act upon the recommendation as a group. Mr. Phil Schmidt moved to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Connie Spears seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

V. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Fowler thanked staff for contributing over \$6,700 toward relief efforts in Haiti. He also announced that the Bob Jones High School Boys and Girls Basketball Teams won, and would be playing in the final four. Dr. Fowler then thanked everyone for their assistance with the Discovery Middle School tragedy. Next, he talked about the Equity in Excellence program. Lastly, he stated the Leah Adams, teacher at Liberty Middle School, has been named a finalist for Alabama Science Teacher of the Year.

VI. BOARD COMMENTS

Mrs. Helms stated that she had attended the National School Board Association Federal Relations Network conference. At the conference she was able talk with legislators. She also announced that Alabama Legislators could have a special session to approve the education budget.

Dr. Johnson thanked Mrs. McMurray for her work in reducing spending in the school district.

Mr. Phil Schmidt asked that a report detailing how the newly approved Credit Recovery Policy has assisted students be shared with the Board at a later date.

Mrs. Spears thanked everyone for their work in the school district.

Mr. White announced that the next school board meeting would be March 4, 2010, at 5:00 PM at central office.

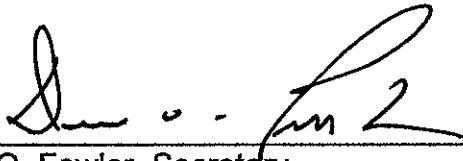
VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ray White called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Terri Johnson moved to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Connie Spears seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.



Ray White, President



Dee O. Fowler, Secretary



LaTisha L. King, Recording Secretary