

MINUTES 23-09
CITY OF MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 2, 2023

Mr. Timothy Holtcamp, president, called the City of Madison Board of Education meeting to order at 5:00 PM in the board room at Madison City Schools Central Office. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, 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	Present

Also present were Dr. Ed Nichols, superintendent of Madison City Schools, Mr. Woody Sanderson, school board attorney, and LaTisha King, recording secretary.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Tim Holtcamp called for a motion to approve the May 2, 2023, school board meeting agenda. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the agenda. Mr. Tommy Overcash seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

III. PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Jamie Hill, principal of Discovery Middle School. Introduced the coach for the Discovery Middle School Soccer Team. The coach introduced players and talked about the team winning the 2023 Regional Soccer Championship. The team was presented with a certificate of recognition from the superintendent.

Mr. Shannon Brown, principal of Liberty Middle School, introduced the sponsors for the Science Bowl Team, Science Olympiad and Science Bee. The sponsors introduced students who placed in competitions for one or more of the science groups. The teams received a certificate of recognition from the superintendent and school board members.

Ms. Aubry Lovell, Science Olympiad sponsor at James Clemens High School, introduced students who won during a science Olympiad competition. The team received a certificate of recognition from the superintendent and school board members.

Mrs. P.J. Bachelor, Madison City Parent Teacher Association Council President, presented scholarships and awards to students, teachers, and/or staff who were either Reflections Program winners or PTA Award winners (PTA Employee/Staff Member of the Year).

IV. AMENDING AGENDA

Mr. Tim Holtcamp called for a motion to amend the agenda to include school officer elections, after the personnel action section of the agenda. Mr. Tommy Overcash motioned to amend the agenda to include school board officer elections. Mr. Travis Cummings seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public shared comments to the Board regarding the Madison CEO Student Trade Show, JROTC program staff at Bob Jones High School, and funding for Science Olympiad trips .

VI. ACTION ITEMS

The superintendent recommended approval of consent agenda item(s): consent agenda item(s): (a) Minutes #23-08, April 20, 2023; (b) amending policies 5.9.6 - Personal Leave; 7.3.2-Weighted Grading Scale; and 6.1.2 - Admissions to Schools; (c) a field trip request for James Clemens High School Scholars Bowl students to compete at a national competition in Atlanta, Georgia on May 26-28, 2023; (d) a field trip request for James Clemens High School Science Olympiad students to compete at a Science Olympiad competition in Wichita, Kansas on May 19-21, 2023; (e) a field trip request for Liberty Middle School Science Olympiad students to compete at a Science Olympiad competition in Wichita, Kansas on May 18-21, 2023; (f) a field trip request for Bob Jones High School Rocketry Team to compete in the TARC National Fly-off competition in The Plains, Virginia on May 18 - 22, 2023. (g) Career Tech Education textbook adoption lists from the Alabama State adoption list and outside the state adoption list.; (h) an owner and architect agreement by the City of Madison Board of Education and Nola | Van Peurse Architect, P.C. for Bob Jones High School indoor practice facility improvements; and (i) The superintendent recommends approval of an agreement by and between the City of Madison Board of Education, on behalf of Bob Jones High School, and Board of School Commission of Mobile County, on behalf of Baker High School, for a Thanksgiving Tournament with a minimum of two contests on Boys Basketball to be played at Bob Jones High School on November 20-22, 2023, and the championship being played on November 22, 2023 as described in the agreement. The Board agreed to approve the recommendations as a group. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the consent agenda items. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a bid for track improvements at James Clemens High School from Warner's Athletic Construction Co., LLC, who presented the only responsive/responsible bid meeting specification for a total cost of \$1,046,531.00 (Sum of Base Bid, Alternate No. 1, and the anticipated PO for track materials). Mr. Tommy Overcash motioned to approve the recommendation. Mr. Travis Cummings seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of the March 2023 Financial and bank Reconciliation Statements for Madison City Schools. Mr. Eric Haynes, accounting supervisor, explained the financial statements to the Board and superintendent. Mr. Travis Cummings motioned to approve the recommendation. Mr. Tommy Overcash seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of the March 2023 Budget Amendment for Madison City Schools. Mr. Haynes explained the budget amendment. Mr. Tommy Overcash motioned to approve the budget amendment. Mr. Travis Cummings seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

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

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a list of contracts for supplemental work performed for the school district. The Board agreed to approve the contracts as a group. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to approve the supplemental contracts. Mr. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of personnel recommendations for the school district. The Board agreed to approve the personnel recommendations as a group. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the personnel recommendations. Mr. Travis Cummings seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Nichols announced the retirement of Mr. Luther Tiggs, teacher/coach, and Mr. Robin Gaines, health teacher, both at Bob Jones High School. He thanked the teachers for their service.

VII. SCHOOL BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS

Mr. Holtcamp passed the gavel to Dr. Nichols to conduct elections for the office of president of the City of Madison Board of Education. Dr. Nichols called for nominations for the office of president of the school board. Mr. Scott Newberry nominated Mr. Timothy Holtcamp. There were no other nominations for the office of president of the school board. Mr. Holtcamp was approved by acclamation.

Dr. Nichols passed the gavel back to Mr. Holtcamp to conduct the remainder of the meeting. Mr. Holtcamp called for nominations for the office of vice president of the school board. Mrs. Alice Lessmann nominated Mr. Travis Cummings. There were no other nominations for the office of vice president. Mr. Cummings was approved by acclamation.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Nichols talked about the following events: an education day signing that was held at both high schools; senior nights for the high schools; teacher appreciation week, the Bob Jones High School Student Government Associations volunteered and packed over 50,000 meals; playground renovations are on track at elementary schools, a tour of the pre-k center would be coming; and Discovery Middle School press box underway. Dr. Nichols also thanked Sergeant Ralph Dawe for attending the school board meeting.

IX. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Tommy Overcash stated Madison City Schools' students are representing the school district at city, state and national levels. He congratulated Mr. Holtcamp and Mr. Cummings for being re-appointed to their officer position on the school board.

Mr. Scott Newberry also congratulated Mr. Holtcamp and Mr. Cummings for being re-appointed as president and vice president of the City of Madison Board of Education. He also stated Madison City is a high achieving school district.

Mrs. Alice Lessmann congratulated Mr. Holtcamp and Mr. Cummings for their continued service as president and vice president of the school board. She then talked about a district school counselors' meeting. She also announced the Madison CEO Tradeshow to be held at 9:00 AM on Saturday.

Mr. Travis Cummings stated the school system is phenomenal. He also talked about the PTA awards given to students during the school board meeting.

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Mr. Tim Holtcamp stated the activities are increasing toward the end of the school. He also mentioned the Board appreciates the invitations to events occurring throughout the school district. He also thanked school board members for their re-appointment and trust in him as president of the school board. He then thanked Mrs. P.J. Batchelor for her service as president of the Madison PTA Council. Lastly, he mentioned the school board will keep everyone updated regarding the new elementary school to be built in Limestone County.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Tim Holtcamp announced the next school board meeting would be held on May 18, 2023 at 5:00 PM at the central office. Mr. Holtcamp then called for a motion to adjourn the school board meeting. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to adjourn the school board meeting. Mr. Tommy Overcash seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.



Mr. Tim Holtcamp, President



Dr. Edwin C. Nichols, Jr., Secretary



Mrs. LaTisha L. King, Recording Secretary