

MINUTES 25-01
CITY OF MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
January 9, 2025

Mr. Tim Holtcamp, president, called the City of Madison Board of Education Meeting to order at 5:03 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 Mrs. LaTisha King, recording secretary.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Holtcamp called for a motion to approve the January 9, 2025, 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

Mrs. Sylvia Lambert, principal of Bob Jones High School and Mr. Kurt Yancey, athletic director at Bob Jones High School, introduced the coaches and the Bob Jones High School Girls Swim Team. The team won their third Alabama High School Athletic Association State Championship. A certificate of recognition was given to the team by the Board and superintendent.

Mrs. Lambert and Mr. Yancey also introduced and recognized the Bob Jones High School baseball coaches and team for winning the 2023-2024 Alabama High School Athletic Association State Baseball Championship. A certificate of recognition was given to the team by the Board and superintendent.

Mr. Shane Bagwell, representative with Volkert Inc., provided an update on the construction of the school district's newest elementary school. Mr. Bagwell stated talked about construction costs (allowances/credits remaining) and contract time remaining. The revised completion date for the new elementary school is August 3, 2026. Mr. Bagwell also provided pictures of the site and work completed to date.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments made by members of the public during this meeting.

V. ACTION ITEMS

The superintendent recommended approval of consent agenda item(s): (a) Minutes #24-28, December 12, 2024; (b) field trip requests for Madison City Schools; and (c) facility use agreements for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to approve the recommendations as a group. Mr. Scott Newberry motioned to approve consent agenda items a-c. Mrs. Alice Lessmann seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a bid for Discovery Middle School's HVAC and Roof Replacement from P & C Construction who presented the lowest responsive/responsible bid meeting specifications for a total amount of \$14,335,000.00. 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 November 2024 Financial and Bank Reconciliation Statements for Madison City Schools. Mrs. LaVerne Williams, chief school finance officer, explained the November 2024 Financial and Bank Reconciliation Statements. Mr. Tommy Overcash motioned to approve the November 2024 Financial and Bank Reconciliation statements for Madison City Schools. Mr. Travis Cummings seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of the November 2024 Budget Amendment for Madison City Schools. Mrs. Williams also explained the budget amendment to the Board and public. Mr. Travis Cummings motioned to approve the November 2024 Budget Amendment for Madison City Schools. Mr. Tommy Overcash seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

The superintendent recommended approval of a list of substitutes, a list of supplemental contracts and other personnel recommendations for Madison City Schools. The Board agreed to approve the list of substitutes, supplemental contracts and personnel recommendation as a group. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to approve the substitute list, supplemental contract list and personnel recommendations. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Nichols announced the hiring of Mr. Keynan Jackson, new assistant principal at Bob Jones High School; Mr. Juan Johnson, head football coach at James Clemens High School; and the passing of Mrs. Jennifer Al-Dijaili, nurse at Rainbow Elementary School.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Nichols asked that a moment of silence be held to remember Nurse Jennifer Al-Dijaili (nurse at Rainbow Elementary School) in her passing. Dr. Nichols then talked briefly regarding the impending inclement winter weather forecasted for north Alabama. He stated that 2-4 inches of snow, sleet or rain is expected in the area. Dr. Nichols also stated that PowerSchool an online platform for students and teacher information was hacked. The Alabama State Department of Education sent a memo to superintendents regarding the breach of information. Dr. Nichols stated that schools in Madison City do not use social security numbers for students. Therefore, no social security number were compromised as a result of the hacked information. Dr. Nichols recognized School Resource Officer Devin Bullington for attending the school board meeting.

VII. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Tommy Overcash congratulated and welcomed Mr. Keynan Jackson and Mr. Quan Baker for becoming a member of the Madison City Schools family. He also stated he assisted with the car line at Horizon Elementary during the week. Mr. Overcash then stated he attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new community center in Madison, Alabama off Balch Road.

Mr. Scott Newbery extended condolences to the family of Nurse Jennifer Al-Dijaili in her passing. He then echoed the sentiments of Mr. Overcash regarding Mr. Jackson and Mr. Johnson joining the Madison City Schools team.

Mrs. Alice Lessmann also participated in helping with the car line at Horizon Elementary during the week. She then announced the Madison City Schools Job Fair would be held on January 15, 2025 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM at the central office. She also welcomed Mr. Jackson and Mr. Johnson to Madison City Schools.

Mr. Travis Cummings congratulated the Bob Jones High School Girls Swim Team and Baseball Team for their state championship wins. He also stated Madison City Schools has great academic programs as well as a great sports program. Mr. Cummings then congratulated Mr. Jackson and Mr. Johnson, new employees in the school district.

Mr. Tim Holtcamp wished everyone a Happy New Year. He then congratulated and welcomed Mr. Keynan Jackson as a new assistant principal at Bob Jones High School.

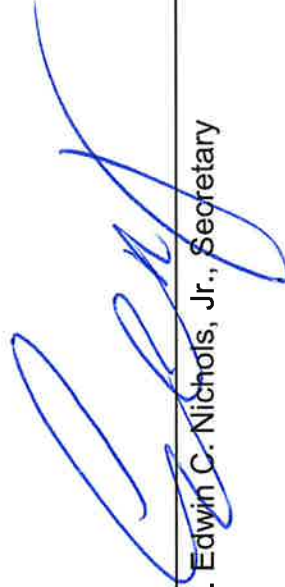
VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Tim Holtcamp announced the next school board meeting would be held on January 23, 2025 at 5:00 PM. Mr. Holtcamp then called for a motion to adjourn the school board meeting. Mrs. Alice Lessmann motioned to adjourn the school board meeting. Mr. Scott Newberry seconded the motion.

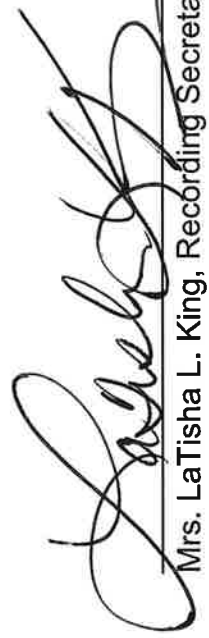
The motion was approved 5-0.



Mr. Tim Holtcamp, President



Dr. Edwin C. Nichols, Jr., Secretary



Mrs. LaTisha L. King, Recording Secretary