

MADISON COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 10, 2016

Central Office

MINUTES

OPEN WORK SESSION – 5:30 p.m.

Motioned/Seconded (Craig Goforth, Lori H. Massey) Carried (5-0) to move to Work Session at approximately 5:35 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Dr. Theresa Banks, Lori Massey, Dr. Craig Goforth, Kelby Cody and Barbara Wyatt. Also in attendance were Dr. Todd Holden, Superintendent, Michael Wallin, Finance Director and Cindy Shores, Personnel Director.

Presentation:

Jacob Kelley, student and member of FFA, presented the FFA Creed in preparation for a competition that will take place on October 19, 2016 in Kentucky. Jacob recited the Creed to the Board and afterwards, received questions pertaining to the upcoming competition and he accepted constructive criticism from members of the Board. Several members shared their thoughts, and compliments with Mr. Kelley and encouraged him in his upcoming competition.

Discussion:

- **Drug Testing Initiative**
Dr. Todd Holden, Superintendent, shared the re-implementation of the Athletic Drug Testing Policy. He shared that this policy has not been enforced for several years and the purpose of beginning this again, is not to punish athletes for drug use, but rather will be an opportunity to provide counseling services and to get the students help they need. Board members stressed their desire for random testing and the selections should be pulled from an unbiased source. Dr. Holden confirmed the selection will be made by an outside company and the results of the tests will remain confidential. The purpose, Dr. Holden confirmed, will be to help the student athletes, not harm them. Board Chair, Dr. Theresa Banks asked that the Athletic Drug Testing Policy be forwarded to Board Attorney, Dean Shatley for final review and then move forward.
- **School Resource Officers**
Dr. Todd Holden, Superintendent updated the Board regarding the duties of the SRO officer at the Hot Springs location.
- **School Nutrition – Adult Charges**
Effective immediately, schools will be notified that adults will no longer be allowed to charge lunches. Charges as of 10.10.16 are currently over \$7,000 and it was found that OMB CIRCULAR A-87 (REVISED 05/10/04) prohibits adults from charging lunches due to federal funding laws. This information will be communicated to all MCS users by the Superintendent via email. The discussion also took place that all charges must be paid and those that are not resolved, the schools may have to pay the debts out of the school fund.

- **Central Office Parking**
Superintendent, Dr. Todd Holden shared that with the new construction of the Early College, the parking situation for Central Support Staff and visitors to Central Support, will be difficult. According to blueprints, a parking facility will need to be factored in to accommodate the needs that will arise for staff, students, buses and visitors. Dr. Holden will contact DOT to inquire if paving of the lot at the end of the Central Support offices could be paved by that Department.
- **Marketing the School System**
Dr. Holden shared with the Board members the new Facebook page that has been created for Madison County Schools, and the fact that the schools are using Twitter to keep the public informed on happenings at each school. Although the schools utilize Facebook, the Technology Department has created and will maintain a county wide Facebook page that will publish information from each school.

Motioned/Seconded (Theresa Banks/Craig Gofoth) Carried (5-0) to adjourn at approximately 7:25 p.m.

Dr. Theresa Banks, Chair

Dr. Todd Holden, Superintendent

Approved As Amended 11.21.16