

Agenda of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Meridian Public School District

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Meridian Public School District will be held Monday, October 21, 2019, beginning at 5:30 PM at Meridian High School Multi-Purpose Building, located at 2320 32nd Street.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting agenda.

Unless removed from the consent agenda and placed under discussion/action, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time with no discussion.

An asterisk (*) indicates that support information and/or materials have been or will be provided.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
4. **RECOGNITION OF NEW MERIDIAN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER - MRS. BEVERLY PENNINGTON**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - September 16, 2019, September 25, 2019 and October 8, 2019***
6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT***
 6. 1. Carver Update
 6. 2. Harris Upper Update
 6. 3. MHS Update
7. **CONSENT**
 7. 1. Recommendation to approve Mississippi School Boards Association OAgendas. OAgendas will replace Boardbook due to the phasing out its current form of BoardBook. Total cost: \$1,500 per year. Fund source: District (Goal 5)*
 7. 2. Recommendation to approve a 30-Read of a New Policy - Vaping Policy - GBRMB (Goal 2)*
 7. 3. Recommendation to approve the review/revision of Policies ABD, BBABA, BBBE, BCAC, BCAD, BCBC, BCBD, BCBf, BCBFA, BCBH, BCBHA, BCBI, BF, GAA, GADAC, GADF, GBRC, GCD, KHE, KF and KL-R (Goal 1)*
 7. 4. Recommendation to approve MPSD District Test Security Plan for 2019-2020. MDE requires school districts to create and approve a district test security plan. The plan details the procedures used by the district and school-level test coordinators to ensure proper handling of test materials (Goal 1)*
 7. 5. Recommendation to approve 2019-2020 Section 125 Cafeteria Plan administered by American Fidelity Assurance Company (Goal 2)*
 7. 6. Recommendation to approve MPSD Instructional Management System (IMS). MPSD has outlined the Instructional Management System to drive all instruction in the district. The IMS meets the requirements as outlined in the Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards (Goal 1)*
 7. 7. Recommendation to approve Weems Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Agreement (Goals 2 and 3)*
 7. 8. Recommendation to approve Say Something Assembly agreement. Say Something Assembly is an interactive assembly to highlight discussions about Human Trafficking, Bullying, Suicide and other

issues faced by teenagers. Total cost: \$7,500. Fund source: Title (Goal 2)*

7. 9. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Teaching Artist, Amanda Koonlaba. Ms. Koonlaba will provide two (2) Arts integration demonstration lessons on integrating Visual Arts and College Career Readiness Standards in ELA and one afternoon of Professional Development for all K-5 ELA teachers at Poplar Springs. Total cost: \$2,000. Fund source: PSE Arts Initiative (Goal 1)*
7. 10. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Teaching Artist, Amanda Koonlaba. Ms. Koonlaba will provide three (3) Arts integrating Art and ELA as well as professional development. All teachers in grade PreK-5 will observe the demonstration lesson at West Hills. Total cost: \$3,000. Fund source: Any Given Child funds (Goal 1)*
7. 11. Recommendation to approve the Meridian Learns AmeriCorps Member Service Agreement. As an AmeriCorps member, through The Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service, also known as Volunteer Mississippi, shall conduct volunteer hours in Meridian (Goal 4)*
7. 12. Recommendation to approve America Learns License Agreement. MPSD's acceptance of the AmeriCorps grant requires the district to use a specific vendor and electronic timekeeping system to manage members' timesheets. America Learns will provide the product and service. Total cost: \$2,162. Fund source: Funding for the software is included in the awarded grant and will therefore be provided at no additional cost to the district (Goals 1, 3, and, 5)*
7. 13. Recommendation to approve EMCED OWL Training (PreK training). EMCED will work with teachers to unpack the curriculum, model lessons, coaching strategies and methods to support effective integration of the curriculum into classrooms. Total cost: \$950. Fund source: Title (Goal 1)*
7. 14. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Focus Five Inc. Focus Five will provide Acting Right Training for elementary and middle school teachers and Acting Right Classroom Coaching and Follow-up Professional Development. Total cost: \$7,912.88. Fund source: Any Given Child Meridian (Goal 1)*
7. 15. Recommendation to approve Student Transfers (Goal 1)*
7. 16. Recommendation to approve the State Vocational Equipment Deletion. The equipment is being requested for deletion due to age, technological obsolescence or in a state of disrepair and too costly to fix (Goal 3)*
7. 17. Recommendation to approve Gifts/Donations: **1)** Poplar Springs to receive from Laurie Autry Foundation Sensory Pathway materials worth \$2,500; **2)** West Hills to receive from Episcopal Church of the Mediator \$2,000 for student incentives; **3)** West Hills to receive \$2,500 from Dollar General Literacy Foundation for student incentives; **4)** Poplar Springs to receive \$500 from The University of Southern MS (Reach MS) for student incentives; **5)** MHS to receive \$833 from BankPlus for student incentives; **6)** Crestwood to receive \$5,059.97 from Lejona Harris for student incentives (Goal 4)*
7. 18. Recommendation to approve Fixed Assets Disposals/Additions - (Goal 5)*
7. 19. Recommendation to approve an item to be removed (Dell Laptop -27684) from Fixed Asset Inventory due to theft.
7. 20. Recommendation to approve Overnight Field Trip requests: **1)** Ross Collins (30 students) traveling to Biloxi, MS and Pascagoula, MS on November 14-15, 2019 for the HOSA Fall Leadership Conference; **2)** MHS (Boys Basketball team) traveling to Gulfport, MS on December 26-28, 2019; **3)** MHS (Girls Basketball team) traveling to Gulfport, MS on December 27-28, 2019; **4)** Poplar Springs (23 students) traveling to Folsom, LA and New Orleans, LA on March 26-27, 2020; **5)** Poplar Springs (40 students) traveling to Washington, DC on May 14-19, 2020 (Goal 1)*
7. 21. Recommendation to approve Facility Usage Requests: **1)** Meridian Parks and Recreation requested the usage of Northwest and Carver gyms on various dates throughout November; **2)** The Escape Circle with Latisha Nicole, LLC is requesting the use of Ray Stadium to hold a Cancer Awareness Rally on November 2, 2019 (Goal 4)*

8. PUBLIC FORUM

9. ACTION

9. 1. Recommendation to approve a fee waiver for The Escape Circle with Latisha Nicole, LLC for the facility usage of Ray Stadium on November 2, 2019 (Goal 4)*
9. 2. Recommendation to approve a Food Service Department Vehicle Purchase. The Food Service Department is requesting to purchase a 3/4 Ton Cargo Van (Rodgers Dabbs, Brandon, MS - \$23,737.45). Fund source: Food Services (Goal 5)*
9. 3. Recommendation to approve a Food Service Department Vehicle Purchase. The Food Service Department is requesting to purchase a Utility Pick-up Truck (Landers, Southhaven, MS - \$34,634). Fund source: Food Services (Goal 5)*
9. 4. Recommendation to hire a Hearing officer and set a Hearing date
9. 5. Recommendation to approve Timber Sale on Sixteenth (16th) Section Land. Mississippi Forestry Commission is recommending that the Board accept the highest bid received for \$42,183 and award the sale contract to South MS Land and Timber, LLC (Goal 5)*
9. 6. Recommendation to approve September 2019, Financial Reports (Cash Disbursements, Checks Issued/Not on Claims Docket, Non-Payroll Checks Equal to/or greater than \$25,000, Revenue and Expenditure Reports, Fund Balance Analysis, Certification of Bank Reconciliations and Cash Flow Report) (Goal 5)*
9. 7. Recommendation to approve the Activity Funds Report - September 2019 (Goal 5)*
9. 8. Recommendation to approve the Hiring for all Employees (temporary and full-time) (Goal 3)*

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS - Parent Learning and Leadership Lab

12. CONSIDERATION OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. 1. Legal Update
12. 2. Teacher/Student Performance
12. 3. Personnel
12. 4. Attorney (Contract)

13. DISTRICT REPORTS

13. 1. Monthly Discipline Report - (FYI) - September (Goal 2)*
13. 2. Monthly Attendance Report - (FYI) - September (Goal 1)*
13. 3. Sixteenth (16th) Section Report - (FYI) - September (Goal 5)*

14. INFORMATION

14. 1. The next Regular Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Monday, November 18, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in the MHS Multi-Purpose Building, located at 2320 32nd Street.

15. ADJOURNMENT